

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

MEMORANDUM

To: Senate

From: A. MacKinnon, Chair
Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies

Subject: Curriculum Revisions
Faculty of Education
(SCUS Reference 03-14)

Date: June 13, 2003



Action undertaken at the June 13, 2003 meeting of the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies gives rise to the following motion:

“that Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors the proposal for a Co-operative Education Program in the Faculty of Education as set forth in S.03 - 66 , effective January, 2004 .”

For Information

Acting under delegated authority, at the June 10, 2003 meeting, SCUS approved the following curriculum revisions in the Faculty of Education:

- a) change in upper division credit hours and admission requirements for B. Ed. as a 2nd degree; addition of note advising students of their responsibility to ensure B.C. College of Teachers requirements are met;
- b) change of title, description, credit hours for EDUC 371, 372, 373, 374.”
- c) adding all EDPR courses to the list of courses to be excluded from upper division requirements for the B.Ed
- d) change of description for EDUC 404

- e) change of prerequisite for EDUC 430, effective 2004-2
- f) change of PBD timelines
- g) change of restriction for PDP EDUC 404.

Changes effective September, 2004, unless otherwise noted.

**Any Senator wishing to consult the full report of curriculum revisions should contact
Bobbie Grant, Senate Assistant at 291-3168 or email bgrant@sfu.ca**

Proposal for a Co-operative Education Program in the Faculty of Education

Why an Education Co-op?

Currently Simon Fraser University offers Co-op programs in all faculties except Education. Many of the co-op placements (e.g. Science World, the Vancouver Aquarium, SFU's Mini University) provide excellent learning opportunities for students interested in teaching and education, and many more co-op opportunities are being developed specifically in the areas of ESL teaching both locally and in foreign countries. At the moment, these jobs are going to co-op students who have a background in a specific discipline area (e.g. science students and Science World), but not necessarily in Education. There is a great opportunity to broaden the learning experiences of undergraduates in the Faculty of Education through offering the option to participate in a Co-operative Education program as they progress through their degree.

The idea of a Co-op Program in the Faculty of Education would mean that we could bring together students who have a desire to be teachers within a broad cross section of organizations that have related opportunities. Since the positions are in the area of "education" it makes sense that Education students have an opportunity to fill them and someone who has a background and interest in education could be an ideal candidate for such positions.

Background:

Target Audiences:

- Pre-PDP students who choose to work during their degree, and for whom this experience would be relevant to their longer term goals.
- Pre-PDP students who would like an opportunity to get paid experience working as a "teacher" not just volunteering.
- Students who do not have an interest in teaching K-12, but hope to be a teacher or trainer in other areas. i.e.) develop training programs for the workplace; dance teacher; daycare coordinator; ESL instructor, public educator, etc.
- Students that would like to travel and get an education. They could teach ESL while they experience different cultures.
- Foreign students that have come to SFU for a degree, and could teach ESL in their own countries when they go home – a teaching co-op would be a good educational experience.
- Post-PDP students who would like to finish their degrees with an International Experience. (this refers to International ESL teaching offers)

Calendar Entry

Co-operative Education Program in Education

This program is for qualified students who wish to combine work experience with academic studies.

Note: This program is not part of the Professional Development Program and will not provide the training required for a teaching certificate from the BC College of Teachers. For admission, students must have completed 30 credit hours with a CGPA of 3.0 and have completed Educ 100 and 2 of Educ 220, 230, 240, 260. Transfer students must complete at least 15 credit hours at Simon Fraser University before applying.

For further details, see "Co-operative Education" on page 216. Arrangements for work semesters are made through the co-op coordinator, who should be consulted at least one semester in advance.

Courses:

EDUC 339-0 Practicum I

First semester of work experience for the Education Co-operative Program. Provides opportunity to integrate theory and practice. This course is open only to co-op students. The co-op coordinator must be contacted at the beginning of the semester prior to registration for this course.

EDUC 349-0 Practicum 2

Second semester of work experience for the Education Co-operative Program. Provides opportunity to integrate theory and practice. This course is open only to co-op students. The co-op coordinator must be contacted at the beginning of the semester prior to registration for this course.

EDUC 439-0 Practicum 3

Third semester of work experience for the Education Co-operative Program. Provides opportunity to integrate theory and practice. This course is open only to co-op students. The co-op coordinator must be contacted at the beginning of the semester prior to registration for this course.

EDUC 449-0 Practicum 4

Fourth semester of work experience for the Education Co-operative Program. Provides opportunity to integrate theory and practice. This course is open only to co-op students. The co-op coordinator must be contacted at the beginning of the semester prior to registration for this course.