

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Ms Karen Roche  
Secretary of Senate

**FROM:** Dr. Wayne Melville  
Chair, Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee

**SUBJECT:** Report of Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee

**DATE:** 24 November 2010

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### A. CALENDAR CHANGES REFERRED FROM SENATE MEETING #2010-5 OF MAY 14, 2010, ITEM 4.1

#### FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES – HISTORY – CROSS-LISTING HISTORY 3171 & 3172 WITH NORTHERN STUDIES

The Committee was informed that the proposal for cross-listing History courses with Northern Studies had been withdrawn at the request of the Northern Studies Program Co-ordinator, in anticipation of upcoming calendar changes to the History courses, at which time a combined and reworded proposal would be submitted.

### B. CALENDAR CHANGES REFERRED FROM SENATE MEETING #7-2010 OF NOVEMBER 5, 2010, ITEM 5.1

#### 1. FACULTY OF SCIENCE AND ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

##### (a) Minor Program in Mathematics

The Committee recommends that Senate approve the new Minor Program in Mathematics, with revisions. The fourth FCE should be specified as “(d) One additional FCE from (b) or (c) above” and “at least” should be removed from the wording in (b), (c), and the paragraph below (c). The final paragraph should be reworded as:

Other Mathematics courses may not be credited toward the minor program. Many of these courses have prerequisites and courses that cover approximately the same content cannot both be used for credit towards the minor program. For example, students cannot receive a credit for both Mathematics 1171 and Mathematics 1210. Students are advised to plan their programs with this in mind.

##### (b) Splitting Mathematics 1160 and 1180 into 2 – 0.5 FCE courses

The Committee recommends that Senate approve the splitting of Mathematics 1160 and 1180 each into two half-courses, as well as the associated program and courses changes, with two corrections. In item 24, program 5 BA (Economics Major) Four Year Non-Direct Entry Program should be removed from the list because these Mathematics courses do not appear in the BA or HBA (Economics Major) programs. In item 31, the change, (b) Mathematics 1180, refers to all the programs listed.

**(c) Renaming Mathematics 1210 and 1230**

The Committee recommends approval of this proposal.

**(d) Computer Science 3473**

The Committee recommends approval of this proposal.

**(e) Physics course title and description updates**

The Committee deferred consideration of this proposal to December to allow for further consultation with the Department.

**(f) Computer Science 0314**

The Committee recommends approval of this proposal. The Committee also recommends that the introductory Notes 2 and 3 should now be removed from the Computer Science Courses page.

**2. FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES**

**(a) Philosophy**

The Committee recommends approval of the proposed changes from the Department of Philosophy, with minor editorial revisions to the course description of the new course, Philosophy 1573 – Philosophy and the Human Condition. These include adding commas after the word “flourishing” in the first sentence and after the word “Kierkegaard” in the second sentence, as well as deleting the first name “Jeremy” and adding the verb “are examined” in the second sentence.

**(b) English – Program Change to HBA English and French**

The Committee recommends approval of the proposed changes to the double-major HBA (English and French) with one revision. The first sentence regarding admission into the program, in/after the first year, should be deleted.

**(c) English – adding Area C – Diversity**

The Committee recommends that Senate approve the proposed changes to the HBA (English Major) with one revision. The first sentence regarding admission into the program, after the first year, should also be deleted and the second sentence reworded “An overall B (70%) average in English courses through each year is required”.

**(d) English – Young Adult Lit**

The Committee recommends approval of the proposed new course, English 3919 – Young Adult Literature.

**(e) History – 3714 and Circumpolar North**

The Committee recommends that Senate approve the change in prerequisite for History 3714 and the proposed new course, History 2715/Northern Studies 2715 – History of the Circumpolar North, with one revision. The prerequisite for History 3714 should be: Two FCEs in History, or one FCE in History and one FCE in Women’s Studies, or permission of the instructor”.

**(f) Sociology prerequisites**

The Committee recommends approval of the proposed calendar changes from the Department of Sociology, including the new half-course, Sociology 2112 – Special Topics.

**(g) ORPT – OUTD 4732/5732**

The Committee recommends approval of this proposal.

**3. FACULTY OF EDUCATION**

**(a) Kindergarten**

The Committee recommends approval of the new additional qualifications course, Education 4627 – Kindergarten, with a minor revision to the first sentence to begin “An examination of”.

**(b) Religious Educ Part II**

The Committee recommends that Senate approve the new course, Education 4768 – Religious Education, Part II, with minor revisions to the description and an associated change. The first sentence of the course description should begin “Candidates are provided” and the second sentence should begin “The course will also address”. In order to have a series of course numbers for the 3-part AQ series, the currently calendared course, Education 4509 – Religious Education Part I, must be renumbered as Education 4767.

**(c) Ontario Regulation 176/10**

The Committee recommends that Senate approve the update to the Ontario College of Teachers’ regulation number in the two instances where it appears in the Calendar.

**(d) Specialist AQ**

The Committee recommends that Senate approve the deletion of the “one year of teaching experience in Ontario” wherever it appears in the Calendar. Specifically, this should be revised in the Lifelong Learning in Education Programs page in the section B. Professional Development, Notes 1 and 3, and in the Bachelor of Education (Extension) Degree Program Admission Requirements. It should also be revised from “two years of teaching, one in Ontario, one in area of specialization” to “two years of teaching experience, with one of the years in the area of specialization” in the prerequisite statements of all the Specialist (Part III) courses, including Education 4582, 4585, 4603, 4623, 4626, 4706, and 4742, as well as all Honours Specialist courses, including Education 4524, 4525, 4527, and 4560.

**(e) Education 4667**

The Committee recommends approval of the revised title for Education 4667, with one addition. Because Education 4668 is Part II of the same AQ sequence, the Committee recommends the same title change to Education 4668 to read “Environmental Science/Environmental Studies, Part II”.

**(f) Education 4700**

The Committee recommends that Senate approve the revised title for Education 4700.

**C. OUTSTANDING ITEMS**

As mentioned above, the following item remains outstanding:

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**Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies - Physics course title and description updates**

**D. ITEM FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE SENATE ACADEMIC COMMITTEE**

As follow-up to a suggestion arising from the review of the History/Northern Studies proposal mentioned in last month's report, the Committee recommends that the Senate Academic Committee should review the curricular rationale for course prerequisites and their effect on smaller departments and programs, in order to develop a course prerequisites policy.

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Dr. Wayne Melville, Chair