

REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC POLICY AND AWARDS

(SCAPA)

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FOR APPROVAL

1. **Make-Up of Tests/Assignments Delayed Due to Increased Reporting of Flu-Like Illness**

Recommended: That scheduling of make-up for tests and assignments that were delayed due to an increased number of students reporting flu-like illness be allowed during the last week of classes in the 2009 fall term (September - December).

Background:

Many students have had tests and assignments delayed during the fall of 2009 because of flu-like illness. It is proposed that the provision in the policy on Scheduling Tests/Examinations which prohibits scheduling tests and assignments during the last week of classes be suspended for the **fall of 2009 only**, to provide sufficient opportunity for students to meet course/progression requirements.

2. **Faculty of Arts and Humanities: Minor in Greek and Latin Literature**

Recommended: That a Minor in Greek and Latin Literature be introduced in the Faculty of Arts and Humanities, effective September 1, 2010.

NEW CALENDAR COPY

MINOR IN GREEK AND LATIN LITERATURE

Admission Requirements

Completion of first-year requirements. Classical Studies 1000 is recommended. With permission of the Department, students may have the Classical Studies 1000 requirement waived in those courses at the 2000 level or above for which it is normally a prerequisite.

Module

4.0 courses:

4.0 courses from: CS 2200, 3100E, 3102F/G, 3110F/G, 3150F/G, 3151F/G, 3201F/G, 3610F/G, 3612F/G, and no more than 1.0 course in Greek and/or Latin at the 3000-level or above.

Appropriate course substitutions may be made with permission of the Department.

Background:

The introduction of this Minor highlights one of three main areas of teaching and faculty research within the Department of Classical Studies (ancient history, archaeology, and literature), and allows students with a particular interest in ancient literature to focus their studies in this area.

3. **Faculty of Health Sciences: Suspension of Admission to Preparatory Year in Audiology**

Recommended: That admission to the special undergraduate Preparatory Year in Audiology, in the School of Communication Sciences and Disorders, Faculty of Health Sciences, be suspended for the 2010-11 academic year.

REVISED CALENDAR COPY
(Pages 110, 2009-10 UWO Academic Calendar)

PREPARATORY PROGRAM – AUDIOLOGY

NOTE: No new admissions will be accepted for the Preparatory Program–Audiology for 2010-11.

Applicants to the Audiology program who do not possess a degree in Communication Sciences and Disorders or equivalent must complete a two-term "Preparatory Program." The aim of this program is to introduce students to the discipline of Audiology and to provide students with the intensive background preparation in hearing, speech, and language sciences needed to pursue graduate work in Audiology. During these two terms (Fall and Winter), Preparatory Program students are registered as "Special Undergraduate" students and pay tuition in accordance with the undergraduate fee schedule.

Effective September 1, 2010, the preparatory year will no longer be required for students completing professional training leading to a MCISc in Speech-Language Pathology.

Background:

The current graduate professional program in Audiology offered by the School of Communication Sciences and Disorders normally involves completion of three years of study. Many students are first admitted to the Preparatory Year portion of the program, during which time they are registered as Special Undergraduate students and are enrolled in 4000-level undergraduate courses offered by faculty in the School of Communication Sciences and Disorders. Following successful completion of the Preparatory Year portion, students are admitted to the School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies to complete the remaining two-year MCISc graduate portion of the professional program in Audiology.

The curriculum of the graduate program in Audiology currently is undergoing substantial revisions, with plans to increase the number of prerequisite courses required for admission and to create a revised curriculum commencing September 2011. As part of the discussions around these curricular revisions, consideration is being given to the withdrawal of the special undergraduate Preparatory Year. The on-line application process for the 2010-11 admissions cycle will soon go live through the Ontario Rehabilitation Sciences Programs Application Service (ORPAS). Consequently, it is prudent and fair to students to suspend admissions to the Preparatory Year for the program in Audiology for 2010-11 until such time as a decision on the final curriculum has been made. Such a decision will avoid unnecessary fee payments by students who apply through ORPAS for the 2010-11 cycle when the program will not be accepting Preparatory Year applicants.

Notes:

1. The Preparatory Year portion was common to both the Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology programs. Withdrawal of the Preparatory Year in Speech-Language Pathology, commencing 1 September 2010, was approved by Senate on 19 June 2009.
2. Admissions suspension for Audiology will involve only the Preparatory Year portion of the program. Direct admission to the first year of the two-year graduate portion of the MCISc program in Audiology (for students who have completed an undergraduate degree in Communication Sciences and

Disorders or who have already completed the equivalent of the Preparatory Year courses) will continue.

4. **King's University College: Introduction of a Minor in Finance and a Minor in Islamic Studies; Withdrawal of Politics, Philosophy, and Economics (PPE) Program**

4a Introduction of a Minor in Finance

Recommended: That a Minor in Finance be introduced at King's University College, effective September 1, 2010.

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MINOR IN FINANCE

Admission Requirements

Completion of first year, including Economics 1021A/B and 1022A/B, with a mark of at least 60% in each, Math 0110A/B (or OAC Calculus, or Grade 12U Advanced Functions and Introductory Calculus MCB4U, or equivalent), and 1.0 or two 0.5 courses from Applied Mathematics, Calculus, Linear Algebra, or Mathematics.

Module

4.5 courses:

3.5 courses: Actuarial Science 2053, Business 2257, Economics 2122A/B, 2150A/B, 2152A/B

0.5 course from: Economics 2154A/B or 2164A/B

0.5 course from: Economics 2300A/B

The Minor in Finance and the Minor in Economics overlap a minimum of 1.5 courses. Students enrolled in double Minors in Finance and Economics may count only 1.0 course of this overlap in both modules. Students with an overlap are permitted to take both Economics 2154A/B **and** Economics 2164A/B, or are permitted to substitute Economics 2139F/G or Economics 2162A/B. Statistical Science 2035 can be substituted for Economics 2122A/B, but this increases the modular requirement to 5.0 courses.

Background:

King's existing Major in Finance module has a number of challenging courses at the 3000 (honors) level which limits the accessibility of the program. The new Minor in Finance module provides a non-honors option for students interested in understanding financial markets and the financial industry. The module can be combined with a diverse set of other modules. Finally, the module is careful to include courses that develop many of the analytical skills necessary for getting started in a career in the finance industry. The new course Economics 2300A/B: Investment and Financial Markets will be a cornerstone course for the program, providing students with a stronger understanding of Investment, Financial Instruments, Pricing in Financial Markets, Portfolio Choice and the various parts and social role of the Finance Industry. This course will be restricted to King's students. This restriction addresses earlier concerns from our Western partners that students from other campuses at Western will be able to enroll in this Minor.

4b Introduction of a Minor in Islamic Studies

Recommended: That a Minor in Islamic Studies be introduced at King's University College, effective September 1, 2010.

NEW CALENDAR COPY

MINOR IN ISLAMIC STUDIES

The Minor in Islamic Studies provides students with an in-depth introduction to Islam through a critical analysis of its sacred texts, institutions, rituals, belief system, its historical development, and its contemporary situation.

Admission Requirements

Completion of first-year requirements and at least 0.5 course in Religious Studies with a grade of at least 60%. Religious Studies 1023E is recommended.

Module

4.0 courses:

2.0 courses: Philosophy 2668F/G, Religious Studies 2285F/G, 2500F/G, 2501F/G

1.0 course from: Religious Studies 2166A/B, 2175A/B, 2262F/G, 2204F/G, 2502F/G, 2503F/G, 2504F/G, 2505F/G

1.0 course from: Arabic 1030, 2250, 3300, Centre for Global Studies 2340F/G, 2341F/G, History 2606E, Political Science 3328F/G, 3329F/G

Background:

The proposed Minor in Islamic Studies is being introduced in response to a growing student interest in better understanding Islam and its relation to the other two Western Abrahamic Religions. Having hired two specialists in Islamic thought and religion to teach in the World Religions Program, the Minor represents an area of focus within that program. It seeks to introduce students to Islam through a critical analysis of its sacred texts, history, thought, and socio-political structures, from the perspective of both its historical development and its contemporary situation.

4c Withdrawal of Politics, Philosophy, and Economics (PPE) Program

Recommended: That the Politics, Philosophy, and Economics (PPE) Program be withdrawn from offerings at King's University College, and that reference to the modules offered in the program be deleted, effective September 1, 2010.

Background:

This program has not proved attractive to students and as there are currently no students registered in the program, no sunset clause is required.

FOR INFORMATION

5. **New Scholarships and Awards**

SCAPA has approved on behalf of the Senate the following Terms of Reference for new scholarships, awards, prizes and bursaries, for recommendation to the Board of Governors through the President & Vice-Chancellor:

CMA Career Passport Awards (Faculty of Social Science, Management and Organizational Studies)

Awarded annually to students graduating in the Aubrey Dan Program in Management and Organizational Studies (MOS) who demonstrate excellence in career preparation and management. To apply for this award, students must submit a student-authored case study describing their career challenges and achievements to the MOS Office by April 30. Written submissions must not exceed 1000 words. The MOS Awards and Scholarships committee will select the recipients. These awards were established by CMA Canada.

Value: \$1,500 divided equally among recipients
Effective: 2008-09 to 2009-10 academic years only

Labatt's Player of the Game Bursary (Any Undergraduate Faculty)

Awarded to a student in any year and any program who has demonstrated financial need. The Registrar's Office will select the recipient.

Value: 1 at \$500
Effective: 2009-2010 academic year only

6. **Annual Report on Scholastic Offences**

Included in the regulations on Scholastic Discipline (S.03-77a) approved by Senate on April 11, 2003, is the requirement that:

“Each Faculty shall submit to the Vice-Provost & Registrar an annual summary of scholastic offences committed by students registered in the Faculty. The summary will set out the nature of the offence and the penalties, with students’ names removed. The Vice-Provost & Registrar will compile the information, by Faculty, and report annually to the Senate Committee on Academic Policy and Awards which will forward the report to Senate for information.”

The 2008-2009 Report on Scholastic Offences, covering the period from July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009, is attached as [Appendix 1](#).