

**REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC POLICY AND AWARDS**

**(SCAPA)**

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FOR APPROVAL

1. **Admission Requirements for Honors Specialization Modules**

**Recommended:** That effective September 1, 2010 the requirement for entry to an Honors Specialization module be revised to require a minimum 70% average in at least 3.0 principal courses with a minimum mark of 60% in each principal course.

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**Honors Specialization Module**

**Admission Requirements**

Completion of first-year requirements, including **the at least 3.0** principal courses specified by the department. These principal courses must be completed with a minimum average of 70% and a minimum mark of 60% in each. The remaining first-year courses must be completed successfully. Enrolment in some modules may be limited. **Modules may have higher admission requirements.**

**Progression Requirements**

*No Changes*

**Graduation Requirements**

*No Changes*

**Admission, Progression and Graduation Chart - The Honors Bachelor Degree**

MODULE	ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS	PROGRESSION REQUIREMENTS	GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
<p><b>Honors Specialization</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Successful completion of all first-year requirements, <b>including at least 3.0 principal courses as specified by the department</b></li> <li>• minimum 70% average in the principal courses for entry to the module</li> <li>• A minimum mark of 60% in each principal course for entry to the module</li> </ul> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Enrolment in some modules may be limited. <b>Modules may have higher admission requirements.</b></p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Students who wish to enter this module in a senior year must meet the above requirements and the progression requirements for the module.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum cumulative modular average of 70%</li> <li>• Minimum mark of 60% in each course of the module</li> <li>• Passing grade in each option</li> </ul> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Higher progression standards may be required in limited enrolment modules.</p>	<p>On the 20.0 courses counted for graduation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum cumulative modular average of 70% in the Honors Specialization module</li> <li>• Minimum mark of 60% in each course of this module</li> <li>• Passing grade in each option</li> <li>• Minimum overall average of 65% on the 20.0 courses</li> <li>• Minimum cumulative modular average of 60% in any additional Major or Minor module completed</li> </ul> <p><b>• For complete graduation requirements refer to “Graduation Requirements for the Honors Bachelor Degree”</b></p>

*No Further Changes*

**Background:**

The present requirements for Honors Specialization programs do not specify the minimum number of principal courses in the Admission requirements. Presently, almost all Honors Specialization programs require the completion of at least 3.0 principal courses with a minimum average of 70% and with no lower mark than 60% in each of these courses. Formalizing the minimum 3.0 course requirement in the calendar will officially acknowledge this unofficial practice.

2. **Faculty of Arts and Humanities: Minors in French Language and Literature, French Language and Linguistics, and French Language and Translation**

**Recommended:** That Minors in French Language and Literature, in French Language and Linguistics, and in French Language and Translation, be introduced in the Faculty of Arts and Humanities, effective September 1, 2010.

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**MINOR IN FRENCH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE**

**Admission Requirements**

Completion of first-year requirements, including French 1900E or 1910 with a mark of at least 60%, or permission of the Department.

**Module**

4.0 courses:

1.0 course in Second Year: French 2600E, or both French 2605F/G and 2606F/G

1.0 course in Second Year: French 2900, or both French 2905A/B and 2906A/B

1.0 course in Third Year: French 3900

1.0 course in French at the level above 3500 and below 3799

Note: French 2900, 2905A/B, 2906A/B and French 3900 cannot be taken concurrently.

**MINOR IN FRENCH LANGUAGE AND LINGUISTICS**

**Admission Requirements**

Completion of first-year requirements, including French 1900E or 1910 with a mark of at least 60%, or permission of the Department.

**Module**

4.0 courses:

1.0 course in Second Year: Both French 2805A/B and 2806A/B, or the former French 2800

1.0 course in Second Year: French 2900, or both French 2905A/B and 2906A/B

1.0 course in Third Year: French 3900

1.0 course in French at the level above 3800 and below 3899

Note: French 2900, 2905A/B, 2906A/B and French 3900 cannot be taken concurrently.

**MINOR IN FRENCH LANGUAGE AND TRANSLATION**

**Admission Requirements**

Completion of first-year requirements, including French 1900E or 1910 with a mark of at least 60%, or permission of the Department.

**Module**

4.0 courses:

1.0 course in Second Year: French 2300, or both French 2305A/B and 2306A/B

1.0 course in Second Year: French 2900, or both French 2905A/B and 2906A/B

1.0 course in Third Year: French 3900

1.0 course in Third Year: French 3300, or both French 3306A/B and 3307A/B

Note: French 2900, 2905A/B, 2906A/B and French 3900 cannot be taken concurrently.

**Background:**

The Department of French Studies is introducing these new Minors to complement the current Minor in French Studies, which is more general. With the proposed Minors, students will have the choice to pursue a specific field of research in more depth.

3. **Faculty of Information and Media Studies: Revisions to the Western/Fanshawe Collaborative Degree/Diploma in Media Theory and Production (MTP) Program**

**Recommended:** That the Progression and Graduation Requirements, and the Dean's Honor List and Gold Medal requirements, for the Western/Fanshawe Collaborative Degree/Diploma in Media Theory and Production (MTP) Program be revised, effective September 1, 2010.

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(<http://www.westerncalendar.uwo.ca/2010/pg461.html>)

**WESTERN/FANSHAWE COLLABORATIVE DEGREE/DIPLOMA IN MEDIA THEORY AND PRODUCTION**

*no changes*

**Progression and Graduation Requirements**

Once admitted to second year of the collaborative program, students must meet progression and graduation requirements for both the degree and diploma programs. To progress in the degree portion of the collaborative program, students must attain at least a 68% average in each academic term. In addition, students must achieve a minimum overall weighted average of 68% in the 15.0 courses being counted towards the degree. For Fanshawe courses that are being used to fulfill degree requirements, grades will be included in average calculations used to assess progression and graduation. ***all degree-credit courses being used towards the MTP program requirements.***

Note: Students in the MTP program are not required to fulfill University breadth requirements for graduation purposes. This exemption does not, however, apply to Honors Bachelor degrees, and students who intend to upgrade to Honors are strongly recommended to complete the breadth requirement within their MTP program.

**Failure to Meet Progression or Graduation Requirements**

A student who fails to meet the progression requirements in any year must withdraw from the collaborative program. A student who is required to withdraw from the collaborative program must complete all the degree requirements of the program in which s/he is registered in order to graduate. ***The option of transferring into an MIT module is contingent on space availability at the time the request is made. Students who withdraw from the program will not receive any transfer credit at Western for coursework completed at Fanshawe as part of the MTP program.***

**Dean's Honor List**

MTP students will be considered for the Dean's Honor List in all years of the collaborative program. Adjudication will be based on having an overall 80% average on all **Western** courses taken within the academic year (September - April) and will include Fanshawe courses that are being used to fulfill degree requirements. ***enrolment in the prescribed courseload for MTP at Fanshawe.***

**Graduation "With Distinction"**

*no change*

**Gold Medal**

The Gold Medal will be awarded to the student with the highest overall average and will include Fanshawe courses that are being used to fulfill degree requirements. ***on Western courses taken as part of the MTP program.***

**Courseload (new)**

***Students must follow the structure of the program as outlined by Western and Fanshawe. Modifications to the program may be made only in exceptional circumstances and with permission of both institutions.***

**Exchanges (new)**

***Academic exchange opportunities are not available for the collaborative program students.***

**Fees**

*no change*

**Background:**

The Joint Program Committee for the collaborative Media Theory and Production program with Fanshawe College reviewed the current Memorandum of Understanding and introduced policy changes.

4. **School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies: Revision to the Regulations for "Graduate Student Appeals of Academic Decisions"**

**Recommended:** That SCAPA approve and recommend to Senate that the Graduate Student Appeals of Academic Decisions regulations be revised as outlined below.

**GRADUATE STUDENT APPEALS OF ACADEMIC DECISIONS (S.03-077b)**

An appeal is a request for...

An appellant who is not satisfied with the decision of the Vice-Provost (Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies) may ~~have~~ a further appeal to the Senate Review Board Academic (SRBA) if the matter is within SRBA's jurisdiction. Appeals to SRBA must be made within six weeks after a decision has been issued by the Vice-Provost (Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies). Information on appeals to SRBA is shown below. ~~Additional information and SRBA Appeal Applications can be obtained from the University Secretariat, Room 290, Stevenson-Lawson Building.~~ ***A Vice-Provost's decision which is appealed to SRBA is in full force and effect unless and until overturned or modified by SRBA.***

*No further changes*

**Background:**

The intent of this change is to clarify that the decisions by the Vice-Provost (SGPS) go into effect immediately and remain in effect unless overturned by SRBA. This is the current practice, and brings SGPS language into line with existing Undergraduate procedure. A Motion to this effect was approved by the Graduate Education Council on April 6, 2010. (These regulations are located on Page 1-<http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/handbook/appeals/appealsgrad.pdf>)

5. **Brescia University College: Honors Specialization, Specialization and Major in Nutrition and Families**

**Recommended:** That effective September 1, 2011, a Specialization, an Honors Specialization and a Major in Families and Nutrition be introduced at Brescia University College.

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**SPECIALIZATION IN NUTRITION AND FAMILIES**

This module, appropriate for (but not exclusive to) those wishing to go on to a Faculty of Education, combines coursework from the Division of Food and Nutritional Sciences and the Division of Sociology and Family Studies. This program includes attaining the designation of Professional Home Economist (P.H.Ec.) post-graduation.

**Admission Requirements**

Completion of first-year requirements with no failures. Students must have an average of at least 60% with no mark below 60% in the following 4.0 principal courses: Food and Nutritional Sciences 1030E, Family Studies 1020, Sociology 1020 or 1021E, Psychology 1000.

**Module**

9.0 courses:

1.0 course from: Family Studies 2200E, 2225

0.5 course from: Writing 1020F/G, 2101F/G

2.5 courses: Foods and Nutrition 2132A/B, 2241A/B, 3361A/B, Human Ecology 2222F/G, 2266A/B

0.5 course: Psychology 2410A/B

1.5 courses from: Human Ecology 3343A/B, 1033A/B, 3338A/B, 2122A/B, 3330A/B, Psychology 2041, 2075

1.0 course from: Foods and Nutrition 3302A/B, 3348A/B, Family Studies 3320A/B, 3325A/B, 2225, 2200E

0.5 course from: Family Studies 3310A/B, 4401A/B, 4220A/B, 4230A/B

An additional 1.5 courses taken from either of the last two groups listed above.

### **HONORS SPECIALIZATION IN NUTRITION AND FAMILIES**

This module, appropriate for (but not exclusive to) those wishing to go on to a Faculty of Education, combines coursework from the Division of Food and Nutritional Sciences and the Division of Sociology and Family Studies. This program includes attaining the designation of Professional Home Economist (P.H.Ec.) post-graduation.

#### **Admission Requirements**

Completion of first-year requirements with no failures. Students must have an average of at least 70% with no mark below 60% in the following 4.0 principal courses: Food and Nutritional Sciences 1030E, Family Studies 1020, Sociology 1020 or 1021E, Psychology 1000.

#### **Module**

9.0 courses:

1.0 course from: Family Studies 2200E, 2225

0.5 course from: Writing 1020F/G, 2101F/G

2.5 courses: Foods and Nutrition 2132A/B, 2241A/B, 3361A/B, Human Ecology 2222F/G, 2266A/B

1.0 course from: Sociology 2205A/B and Sociology 2206A/B or Psychology 2885

1.0 course: Family Studies 4220A/B, 4230A/B

1.5 courses from: Psychology 2410A/B, Human Ecology 3343A/B, Human Ecology 1033A/B, 3338A/B, 2122A/B, 3330A/B, Psychology 2041, Psychology 2075

0.5 course from: Foods and Nutrition 3302A/B, 3348A/B, Family Studies 3320A/B, 3325A/B, 2225, 3310A/B, 4401A/B

An additional 1.0 course taken from either of the last two groups listed above.

### **MAJOR IN NUTRITION AND FAMILIES**

This module, appropriate for (but not exclusive to) those wishing to go on to a Faculty of Education, combines coursework from the Division of Food and Nutritional Sciences and the Division of Sociology and Family Studies. This program may include attaining the designation of Professional Home Economist (P.H.Ec.) post-graduation.

#### **Admission Requirements**

Completion of first-year requirements including Food and Nutritional Sciences 1030E, Family Studies 1020, and Sociology 1020 or 1021E or Psychology 1000, with a mark of at least 60% in each of these courses.

#### **Module**

6.0 courses:

1.0 course from: Family Studies 2200E or 2225

0.5 course from: Writing 1020F/G or Writing 2101F/G

1.5 courses from: Foods and Nutrition 2132A/B, 2241A/B, 3361A/B, Human Ecology 2222F/G, 2266A/B

3.0 courses from: Psychology 2410A/B, Family Studies 3320A/B, 3325A/B, Psychology 2041A/B, Family Studies 2225, 2200E, Human Ecology 2122A/B, 3330A/B, 3343A/B, 1033A/B, 3338A/B, Family Studies 3310A/B, 4401A/B, 4220A/B, 4230A/B

**Background:**

These interdisciplinary modules build on strengths in the departments of Food and Nutritional Sciences and Family Studies. It offers the opportunity for students to gain a background that fits well with the requirements for Faculties of Education, especially given the new Family Studies emphasis in the Ontario high school curriculum. The coursework for this module allows students who have done their first year in either Food and Nutritional Sciences or Family Studies to move into this program.

6. **Brescia University College: Minor in French for Food and Nutritional Sciences**

**Recommended:** That a Minor in French for Food and Nutritional Sciences be introduced at Brescia University College, effective September 1, 2011.

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**MINOR IN FRENCH FOR FOOD AND NUTRITIONAL SCIENCES**

**Admission Requirements**

Completion of first-year requirements, including French 1900E or 1910 with a mark of at least 60%, or permission of the Department.

**Module**

4.0 courses:

1.0 course in Second Year: French 2900

1.0 course in Third Year: French 3900

1.0 course in Second, Third, or Fourth Year: French 2221

1.0 course from: French 2600E, 4900A/B, 4901A/B

**Background:**

Over the past several years students in the Food and Nutritional Sciences Division have expressed an interest in making French part of their program so that they may apply for a Dietitian Internship in a French-speaking area, or for Graduate Studies at a French-language university, or for a position as a Registered Dietitian in a French-speaking region. The proposed program will allow students to have a Minor in French for Food and Nutritional Sciences as part of their degree structure.

7. **Brescia University College: Revisions to the Honors Specialization in Psychology**

**Recommended:** That effective September 1, 2010, admission and progression requirements of the Honors Specialization in Psychology at Brescia University College be revised.

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(<http://www.westerncalendar.uwo.ca/2010/pg1056.html>)

**HONORS SPECIALIZATION IN PSYCHOLOGY**

Enrolment in this module is limited. Meeting the minimum requirements does not guarantee that students wishing to transfer into this module will be offered enrolment. Priority will be given to students already registered at Brescia.

**Admission Requirements**

Completion of first-year requirements with no failures and a minimum ~~cumulative~~ average of at least ~~65%. Students must have an average of at least 70%~~ **75%** in 3.0 principal courses, comprised of the following psychology and mathematics courses and 1.0 additional course, with no mark in these principal courses below 60%:

1.0 course in Psychology at the 1000 level

1.0 course from ~~1.0 course from: Mathematics 1228A/B and Statistical Sciences 1024A/B (recommended); Mathematics 1225A/B, 1228A/B, 1229A/B (Mathematics 1228A/B and 1229A/B preferred), the former Mathematics 030 or 031; Mathematics 0110A/B, Calculus 1000A/B, 1301A/B, 1501A/B, Linear Algebra 1600A/B. If Mathematics 0110A/B is selected, then either Statistical Sciences 1024A/B or Mathematics 1228A/B must be taken. any Mathematics or Calculus course numbered 1000 or above, Statistical Sciences 1034A/B, or Mathematics 0110A/B. If Mathematics 0110A/B is selected then either Statistical Sciences 1024A/B or Mathematics 1228A/B must be taken.~~

**Progression Requirements**

**Minimum cumulative modular average of 75% with a minimum grade of 60% in each course of the module, and a passing grade in each option.**

**Module**

9.0 courses:

1.0 course: Psychology 2800E

1.0 course from: Psychology 2810, 2885

0.5 course in Psychology numbered 2100-2299

0.5 course in Psychology numbered 2300-2799

0.5 course in Psychology numbered 3100-3299

0.5 course in Psychology numbered 3300-3799

0.5 course: Psychology 3800F/G

0.5 course from: Writing 1020F/G, 2101F/G

1.0 additional course in Psychology at the 2100 level or above

2.0 additional courses in Psychology at the 3000 level or above

1.0 course: Psychology 4842E

**Background:**

These revisions will bring the Honors Specialization in Psychology module offered at Brescia University College in line with recent changes to the Honors Specializations in Psychology offered at the Constituent University and at the other Affiliated Colleges. The higher admission and progression requirements reflect the academic rigour of this module. Students will be permitted to proceed under the progression requirements in place at their most recent admission to the Honors Specialization module.

Course renaming by the Department of Mathematics necessitates changes in the specification of the admission requirement for the module. This also provides an opportunity to simplify how this requirement is stated. The change from the previous statement is that rather than listing specific courses, a group of courses is specified. As far as we can tell, the only courses that this allows to be used for admission to the module that were not previously specified is Calculus 1100A/B (which is equivalent to Calculus 1000A/B for prerequisite purposes) and Calculus 1201A/B (Mathematical Applications for Biological Sciences).

FOR INFORMATION

8. **School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies: Revised Categories of Registration for Part-Time Studies**

The Categories of Registration regarding part-time studies in the School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies have been amended as outlined below:

**4.04 CATEGORIES OF REGISTRATION**

**b) Part-Time Student in Approved Part-Time Program**

Students may be admitted as part-time students in approved part-time programs (listed below) as stipulated in the program's regulations. During the course of study, and with the approval of the program and SGPS, such a part-time registrant may be approved to register as a full-time student; he or she may then register as a part-time student at a later date by meeting the requirements as stipulated in (c) below. Students who begin as full-time students in programs that have an approved part-time course of study may only change to part-time registration as stipulated in (c) below.

Students registered part-time may take no more than two courses in a term. Undergraduate courses taken as extra courses or as degree requirements are to be included in the totals above.

Students can enroll part-time in the following established part-time programs:

- Computer Science M.Sc.
- Education M.Ed.
- Engineering Sciences M.Eng.
- Epidemiology and Biostatistics M.Sc. & Certificate
- Family Medicine M.Cl.Sc. & Ph.D.
- Law LL.M
- Library and Information Science, M.L.I.S.
- Media Studies M.A.
- Music M.Mus. (Music Education)
- Nursing M.Sc.
- Master of Nursing (Nurse Practitioner)
- Pathology M.Sc. & Ph.D.
- Public Administration M.P.A.
- Social Work, MSW (King's University College)
- Theology M.A. (Huron University College)

**c) Part-Time Students in Full-Time Programs**

Part-time registration in full-time programs may be granted in exceptional circumstances and only with the approval of both the Graduate Program and the Vice-Provost (Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies). Examples of such circumstances are: admission to another full-time university program or medical or compassionate circumstances that make it impossible for the student to continue to devote full-time attention to his or her program of study. Supporting documentation must be submitted with the request for part-time status.

Part-time status is not to be used as a means for reducing or avoiding tuition fees. Being beyond the funding eligibility period will not, by itself, constitute grounds for a change from full-time to part-time status.

Part-time status may be granted for up to a cumulative total of three terms.

Students registered part-time may take no more than two courses in a term. Undergraduate courses taken as extra courses or as degree requirements are to be included in the totals above.

**Background:**

This revision seeks to clarify which programs permit students to be *admitted* as part-time students, and to clarify under which conditions students are permitted to change from full-time to part-time status (and vice versa).

9. **New Scholarships and Awards**

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

Richard A. Harshman Memorial Scholarship (School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, Psychology and Philosophy)

Awarded to a PhD student (part-time or full-time) based on academic achievement (minimum 78% average). To be eligible, a student must be in Year 2 or higher of a PhD program and be undertaking research in Statistical Methods or the Philosophy of Science. Candidates may apply through the Graduate Affairs Committee in either the Department of Psychology or the Department of Philosophy by submitting their CV and a one-page statement describing their research and relevant achievements, including publications. A committee with representation from the Department of Psychology or the Department of Philosophy, with at least one member who is a current member of the School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, will select the recipient. Award recipients are eligible to receive this scholarship once during their academic career at Western. This award will alternate between the Departments of Psychology (odd years) and Philosophy (even years). This award was established through Foundation Western.

Value: 1 at \$1,000  
Effective: May 2010