Sample SCAPA Submission

Note: There should be a covering letter from the Dean supporting the proposal. The text of the proposal should also be e-mailed to Melissa O’Connor <mgrigg2@uwo.ca>

1. SUBJECT: Faculty of Social Science: Introduction of a Specialization in Social Studies

2. EFFECTIVE DATE, PROPOSAL, FACULTY/SCHOOL/COLLEGE TO OFFER IT, AND CALENDAR COPY

Recommended: That a Specialization in Social Studies leading to a BA degree be introduced in the Faculty of Social Science, effective September 1, 2009.

NEW CALENDAR COPY

SPECIALIZATION IN SOCIAL STUDIES

Admission Requirements

Completion of first year, including Social Studies 1020 or 1022E with a minimum average of 60%. History 1401E or Sociology 1020 is recommended. Students should consult the Department prior to admission.

Module

10.0 courses:
1.0 course from: Anthropology 2444, Social Studies 2102E, Women's Studies 2103F/G, 2104F/G
2.5 additional courses in Social Studies at the 3000 level or above
1.0 course in History or Sociology at the 2200 level or above

3. BACKGROUND

The Social Studies Department wants an alternative for students who do not achieve Honors standing in Third Year and thus cannot proceed to a Four-Year Honors Specialization. In the view of the Department, students who graduate with a Three-Year BA degree in this area are not exposed to enough upper-year Social Studies courses to allow them to practice effectively in their respective fields. The proposed Specialization will allow a student who does not achieve honors standing, or a student who does not wish to do an undergraduate thesis, to go on to Fourth Year and take additional Social Studies courses. The Department will monitor enrolment over the next few years but projected enrolment is estimated at 200 students.

4. CONTACT PERSON

Professor Michael Meyers, Chair, Department of Social Studies, may be contacted for further information or to attend the SCAPA meeting at which this proposal is to be considered <apowers@uwo.ca> or Ext. 00700

5. CONSULTATION AND RESULTS

Consultation has taken place at an Educational Policy Committee meeting with all Chairs of the Faculty of Social Science. The Deans of the Affiliated University Colleges, Associate Deans of the Faculty of Arts and Humanities and of Information & Media Studies, and the University Librarian, have been consulted and support the recommendation. Since over 100 students are expected to be enrolled, the Department has also consulted with the Manager of Space/Classroom Management Group regarding a room.