

MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY OF NEWFOUNDLAND

SENATE

The regular meeting of Senate was held on Tuesday, December 14, 1993, at 8:00 p.m. in Room E5004.

20. PRESENT

The President, Dr. J. Tuinman, Mr. A. Fowler (for Dr. Bindon), Dean W. Blake, Mr. G. Collins, Acting Dean A. Collins, Mr. Richard Ellis, Acting Dean J. Foltz, Dean D. Hawkins, Dean W. Ludlow, Dr. C. Sharpe (for Dean Malpas), Dean T. Murphy, Dr. W. Rowe, Dean R. Seshadri, Professor K. Taylor, Dr. G. Bassler, Dr. J. Bear, Dr. W. Davidson, Professor S. Findlay, Dr. G. Gardner, Dr. R. Gordon, Dr. M. Haddara, Dr. G. Handcock, Dr. C. Harley, Professor K. Hestekin, Dr. O. Janzen, Dr. J. Kennedy, Dr. W. Kennedy, Dr. H. Kiefte, Dr. B. Larson, Dr. R. Lucas, Professor E. McKim, Dr. W. McKim, Dr. E. Moore, Dr. R. Moore-Orr, Dr. J. Orr, Dr. P. Nosko, Dr. R. Payne, Dr. L. Pereira-Mendoza, Dr. N. Rich, Dr. R. Rompkey, Dr. P. Scott, Dr. D. Treslan, Dr. M. Wernerheim, Dr. H. Williams, Dr. M. Withey, Mr. R. Knowling, Mr. D. Baker, Mr. J. Grimes, Ms. S. Rich, Ms. H. Spratt, Mr. D. Whiteley.

21. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Professor M. Lamb, Dean G. Skanes, Dr. M. Volk, Dr. J. Buffinga, Dr. G. Kealey, Dr. C. Loomis, Dr. H. Peters, Dr. R. Pickavance, Dr. P. Wilson, Ms. J. Andrews, Ms. P. Grimes, Mr. D. Mugford, Ms. J. Power.

22. MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting of Senate held November 9, 1993, were taken as read and confirmed, subject to a notation of the fact that at that meeting the President and Vice-President (Academic) wore T-shirts carrying the message "Say No to MacLeans". Dr. May and Dr. Tuinman wore the T-shirts as a protest against the flawed procedures used by MacLeans Magazine to rank Canadian Universities, and to indicate the University's displeasure with MacLean's decision to include Memorial in these rankings even though the University declined to provide data and requested that it not be included in the ranking process.

23. COMMITTEE ON HONORARY DEGREES

Six names recommended by the Committee on Honorary Degrees were presented to the Senate for awarding of

a doctoral degree honoris causa. In order to provide Senators with as much information as possible about the nominees, the Committee on Honorary Degrees invited Dr. Seshadri, Dr. Moore, Dr. Haddara, Dr. Janzen, Dr. Rompkey and Professor Fowler to each make a brief oral statement about one of the candidates. Following each statement and upon voting by a show of hands, all six candidates were approved.

Dr. Rich asked if it would be possible to include with the information provided to the Senate regarding each nomination for an honorary degree, the intended degree and whether the degree is to be awarded at the St. John's campus or at the Sir Wilfred Grenfell College campus. It was agreed that in future this information would be provided.

24. *REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF SENATE

It was agreed by separate motion where necessary, that the report of the Executive Committee be approved as follows:

*Report of the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies

It was moved by Dr. Treslan, seconded by Dr. Murphy and carried, that the following undergraduate calendar changes be approved or received for information as appropriate:

24.1 *Faculty of Education

Pages 213-214, 1993-94 Calendar, following the heading Regulations for the Degree of Bachelor of Education (Secondary), amend Clause 3.b)(iv) as follows:

Add "4340" between "4275" and "4425".
Add "4480" between "4425" and "4600".

Page 208, following the heading Faculty of Education Degree Regulations - Admission, amend first sentence of Clause 1. as follows
"Admission to programmes within the Faculty of Education is limited, selective and highly competitive."

Page 209-210, following the heading Bachelor of Education (Primary) and Bachelor of Education (Elementary) - Admission, delete current Clauses 3.b) and 3.c) and replace with the following:

"b) a personal statement as outlined on the application to the Faculty of Education."

"c) a resume as outlined on the application to the Faculty of Education."

24.2 Department of Classics

Page 97, 1993-94 calendar, following the heading Honours Degree and following the words "Students who wish to specialize in Latin will take:" amend clause c) as follows:

Delete the word "four" and replace with "six".

Following the words "Students who wish to specialize in Greek will take:" amend clause c) as follows:

Delete the word "four" and replace with "six".

Page 97, following the heading Honours Degree, delete the sentence "Joint Honours in Classics and another subject may be arranged in consultation with the Departments concerned." Add the following new section:

"Joint Honours

Classics may be combined with another subject to form a joint Honours programme. The Joint Honours Programme in Classics shall include at least 17 courses in Classics.

Students who wish to specialize in Latin will take:

- a) Classics 120A and B;
- b) Classics 4295;
- c) At least 12 other courses in Latin, for up to six of which, courses in Greek may be substituted;
- d) At least two courses in Classical Studies, to be chosen in consultation with the Department Head.

Students who wish to specialize in Greek will take:

- a) Classics 130A and B;
- b) Classics 4395;
- c) At least 12 other courses in Greek, for up to six of which, courses in Latin may be substituted;
- d) At least two courses in Classical Studies, to be chosen in consultation with the Department Head."

24.3 *Department of History

Page 119, 1993-94 Calendar, following the heading General Degree, delete Clause 2. in its entirety

and replace with the following:

- "2. Either of the sequences History 1000 and 1001 or 1100 and 1101 are the introductions to all History courses and are mandatory for students undertaking a Minor, Major or Honours Degree in History. These courses are designed primarily for first-year students. Third and fourth-year students, taking History courses as electives or to satisfy Faculty of Arts regulation 2, are encouraged to enrol in the department's second-year courses. Students cannot receive credit for more than one of History 1000, 1050, or 1100; nor can they receive credit for more than one of History 1001, 1051, or 1101."

Following the heading 4. Major in History, delete the phrase "Students who undertake a Major in History will complete History 1000 or History 1050 and History 1001 or History 1051,..." and replace with the following:

"Students who undertake a Major in History must complete History 1000 or History 1100 and History 1001 or History 1101,..."

Following the heading Minor in History, delete the phrase "Students who undertake a Minor in History will complete History 1000 or History 1050 and History 1001 or History 1051,..." and replace with the following:

"Students who undertake a Minor in History must complete History 1000 or History 1100 and History 1001 or History 1101,..."

Following the heading Course List, delete entries for History 1050 and 1051.

24.4 *Department of Mathematics and Statistics

Page 193, 1993-94 Calendar, following the heading Common Core Mathematics Courses, and following the course description for Mathematics 1051, delete the current prerequisite "M1050" and replace with the following:

"Prerequisite: Either Level III Academic Mathematics or Level III Advanced Mathematics."

Page 194, following the heading Pure Mathematics Courses, and following the course description for PM 4331, delete the current prerequisite "PM4321" and replace with the following:

"Prerequisite M2051 and PM3320."

Page 166, 1992-93 Calendar, following the heading Statistics/Biology Joint Honours B.Sc. Only, amend clause a) as follows:

Delete "English 1100" and replace with "English 1080".

*Report of the Academic Council of the School of Graduate Studies

It was moved by Dr. Sharpe, seconded by Dr. Scott and carried, that the following graduate calendar changes be approved or received for information as appropriate.

24.5 *General Regulation D.6

On page 350, 1993-94 Calendar, following the heading C. Registration, insert the following phrase at the end of the first sentence of clause 3.a):

"except during periods for which leaves of absence have been granted (see D.6)."

Page 351, following the heading D. Courses and Programmes, insert new section D.6. as follows:

"D.6. Leaves of Absence

a) A leave of absence is a period of time during which a student is not required to register; no fees are assessed; and the time granted is not counted in the maximum time period permitted for a graduate programme (see General Regulation D.5.a.).

b) In the event that circumstances prevent a student from pursuing his/her programme, the student may apply to the Dean of Graduate Studies for a leave of absence.

c) A student may normally apply for only one leave of absence during his/her programme. The maximum length of a leave of absence may not exceed 12 months.

d) An application for leave will normally be made before the end of the registration period in the first semester for which leave is requested. Under no circumstances will retroactive leaves of absence be granted for semesters prior to the one in which the student is currently registered."

Re-number current sections D.6., 7., 8., 9. and

10. as D.7., 8., 9., 10. and 11 respectively.

24.6 *General Regulation G.

Page 353, following the heading G. Comprehensive Examinations, delete the entries "1. Master's Comprehensive Examination" and "2. Ph.D. Comprehensive Examination" in their entirety and replace with the following:

"1. Master's Comprehensive Examination

a) The composition of the Comprehensive Examination Committee is specified in the degree and departmental regulations, and the committee is appointed by the Dean. The Dean of Graduate Studies or delegate may exercise the right to attend. All members of the Committee including the Chairperson, but excluding the Dean of Graduate Studies, shall be voting members.

b) In this examination the candidates must demonstrate an advanced knowledge of the academic discipline as defined by the academic unit in which they are students.

c) Members of the Comprehensive Examination Committee shall decide by majority vote that the candidate passes or fails.

d) The Examination Committee may recommend re-examination if the candidate fails the comprehensive examination. If the Committee does not so recommend, the candidate's programme will be terminated. If a re-examination is to be held, it must be conducted not less than one month and not more than six months after the first examination.

The decision of the voting members of the Committee following this re-examination can only be pass or fail. Failure will lead to immediate termination of the candidate's programme. There is no option for further re-examination.

e) The result of the comprehensive examination(s) shall be reported to the candidate by the Dean. The Chairperson of the Comprehensive Examination Committee shall report to the Head of the academic unit who shall report to the Dean.

2. Ph.D. Comprehensive Examination

a) The candidate shall submit to a comprehensive examination, which may be written or oral or both as determined by the academic unit. Candidates shall normally take the examination no later than

the end of the seventh semester in the doctoral programme. Unless an extension is approved by the Dean of Graduate Studies, failure to take the examination at this time will result in the termination of the candidate's programme.

b) This examination, whether written or oral, shall be conducted by a committee appointed by the Dean of Graduate Studies on the recommendation of the academic unit. It shall consist of the Head of the academic unit (or delegate) who shall be the Chairperson, the candidate's supervisor, the Dean of Graduate Studies (or delegate), and at least three other members, the total voting members to be an odd number. All members of the committee including the Chairperson, but excluding the Dean of Graduate Studies shall be voting members.

c) In this examination, the candidate must demonstrate a mastery of those subdisciplines appropriate to his/her research area, as defined by the academic unit in which they are students. Those subdisciplines upon which the candidate will be examined should be made known to the candidate no later than three months prior to the examination. The candidate must further be able to relate the specialization of his/her research to the larger context of these subdisciplines.

d) Members of the Comprehensive Examination Committee shall decide by majority vote that the candidate passes or fails.

e) The Examination Committee may recommend re-examination if the candidate fails the comprehensive examination. If the Committee does not so recommend, the candidate's programme will be terminated. If a re-examination is to be held, it must be conducted not less than one month and not more than six months after the first examination.

The decision of the voting members of the Committee following this re-examination can only be pass or fail. Failure will lead to immediate termination of the candidate's programme. There is no option for further examination.

f) The result of the comprehensive examination(s) shall be reported to the candidate by the Dean. The Chairperson of the Comprehensive Examination Committee shall report to the Head of the academic unit who shall report to the Dean."

Page 368, 1993-94 Calendar, following the heading Religious Studies, amend Regulation 5 as follows:

Delete first sentence of Regulation 5 and replace with "Candidates shall complete at least five regulation courses."

24.8 *Women's Studies Programme

New Programme

"WOMEN'S STUDIES PROGRAMME

Women's Studies Graduate Committee

Dr. Phyllis Artiss
Department of English

Dr. Ann Gregory
Faculty of Business Administration

Dr. Barbara Neis
Department of Sociology

Dr. Joan Pennell
School of Social Work

Dr. Marilyn Porter (Chair)
Department of Sociology

The degree of Master of Women's Studies is designed for students from any discipline who have an appropriate background in Women's Studies. The objectives of the programme are:

to provide students with advanced courses in a broad range of Women's Studies specialties and particularly in Women's Studies theory and methods;

to equip students with the practical, theoretical and methodological skills to carry out independent research at the master's level; and to foster interdisciplinary approaches to the study of women.

The programme will be administered by the Women's Studies Graduate Committee, the members of which will be appointed by the Dean of Graduate Studies on the advice of the Women's Studies Steering Committee. The members of the Graduate Committee will be drawn from faculty teaching in the Women's Studies Programme.

There will be a Chair of the Women's Studies Graduate Committee, who will make recommendations

to the Dean concerning admission, financial support for students and all other matters pertaining to the graduate programme.

MASTER OF WOMEN'S STUDIES DEGREE

The degree of Master of Women's Studies is offered by full or part-time study. The programme draws scholarly participation from faculty members in a range of academic disciplines within the School of Graduate Studies.

A. QUALIFICATIONS FOR ADMISSION

i) Admission is limited and competitive. To be considered for admission, an applicant will normally hold an honours degree or equivalent, and will have a breadth of knowledge in Women's Studies satisfactory to the Women's Studies Graduate Committee.

ii) Applicants who do not hold an honours degree, or do not have an adequate background in Women's Studies, may be required to complete, prior to consideration for admission, a number of undergraduate courses, the nature and number of which will be determined by the Women's Studies Graduate Committee. Candidates will be required to complete such courses with a minimum overall 'B' average.

B. PROGRAMME OF STUDY

i.a.) Candidates for the degree of Master of Women's Studies will be required to complete not fewer than four courses, nor more than six. Candidates will also be required to complete a thesis.

i.b.) Upon admission each graduate student will be supervised by at least one faculty member.

ii) In the case of full-time students, the degree of Master of Women's Studies will normally be completed in two years. The first year will normally be devoted to the completion of all courses, the definition of a thesis research topic and presentation of a thesis proposal. The second year will normally be devoted to the completion of a thesis.

iii.a) All candidates are required to complete the following courses:

WSTD 6000	Feminist Theory
WSTD 6100	Epistemological and

WSTD 6200
Studies

Methodological Approaches to
Women's Studies
Graduate Seminar in Women's
Studies

iii.b) One to three additional courses approved by the Women's Studies Graduate Committee will be required. These courses will be selected from graduate courses in cognate academic units.

iv. A thesis proposal, approved by the student's supervisor(s), will be presented to the Women's Studies Graduate Committee for their approval. The thesis proposal must be approved by the Women's Studies Graduate Committee no later than the end of the candidate's fourth semester in the programme."

24.9 Candidates for Degrees

Dr. Sharpe presented a list of candidates for graduate degrees for the Spring Convocation, 1994, certified that each candidate had fulfilled all requirements for the degree or diploma indicated and recommended that they be admitted thereto. It was moved by Dr. Sharpe, seconded by Mr. Collins and carried that the list of candidates be approved as follows:

GRADUATE DIPLOMA
MASTER OF SCIENCE

24.10 Report of the Committee on Senate Elections

Dr. James Bradley was elected to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Dr. Terrence Murphy in the constituency of Humanities for a term of office commencing December 1, 1993 and expiring August 31, 1995.

24.11 Faculty of Science, Dean's List

The names of students selected for the Dean's List for the 1992-93 academic year, Faculty of Science, were received for information.

24.12 Student Appeals

The Secretary of the Executive Committee reported that appeals from MUN Student NO. 9006271 and MUN NO. 8504598 were denied.

25. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.