

**HISTORY ARTICULATION MEETING
BUSINESS MEETING MAY 5, 1990**

Call to order

Roll Call:

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| Chairperson: | Andrea Smith | (Langara, VCC) |
| Secretary: | Jack Gaston | (Fraser Valley College) |
| Attending: | Bob Fuhr | (Kwantlen College) |
| | Donna Lomas | (East Kootenay College) |
| | John Belshaw | (Cariboo University College) |
| | Frank Leonard | (Douglas College) |
| | Tom Thorner | (College of New Caledonia) |
| | Andrew Yarmi | (Cariboo University College) |
| | Helen Brown | (Malaspina College) |
| | Robert Campbell | (Capilano College) |
| | Clarence Bolt | (Camosun College) |
| | Jim Huzel | (UBC) |
| | Bob Koepke | (SFU) |
| | Peter Weber | (Northwest College) |
| | Tom Roulstone | (Northern Lights College) |
| | Paul Whyte | (North Island College) |
| | David Zimmerman | (University of Victoria) |
| | Sharon Meen | (Open University) |
| | Marjory Lang | (Langara Campus VCC) |
| | Bob Burkinshaw | (Trinity Western University) |
| | Bob McDonald | (UBC) |

Agenda: Approved as presented.

Minutes of May, 1989 meeting approved.

Correspondence

1. Minutes of B.C. Council on Admissions and Transfer. The responsibility of this body is to oversee the articulation process and resolve transfer problems. The twelve-member Council includes university and college administrators as well as representatives of the public school system. It was noted, however, that the Council does not include college and university faculty representatives. The Council reviews the minutes of all articulation meetings. It is presently engaged in publishing a Transfer Guide (available in July) and examining issues relating to the associate degree concept and block transfer.

The minutes of the BCCAT included a presentation by J. Cousineau, VCC, on behalf of the Graduate Outcomes Working Group - a committee struck by the Ministry of Advanced Education, Training and Technology. Cousineau reported the following findings for Arts and Sciences Programs in B.C. Colleges:

- That 79% of those students who originally intended to go to university, and whose college grades qualified them to transfer, have gone on to a university;
- the 67% say their cognitive skills (eg. reading, writing) improved as a result of their college studies;
- that 81% say their interest in learning increased as a result of their college studies;
- that less than 3% were unemployed and looking for work a year after college;
- that over 70% say their academic studies were definitely worthwhile;

7,500 students were surveyed of which 74% responded.

University and College Reports

The highlights of these reports include:

Northwest College has hired a second historian and is offering additional sections of Canadian history. Two new courses have been added: History of the Soviet Union and the German Problem in the Twentieth Century.

East Kootenay: reported large increases in history enrolments with Canadian and American history in the lead. Since there are no limits on enrolments and no new hiring is contemplated class sizes are likely to increase significantly.

Kwantlen College will be moving into the new Surrey campus this spring. The History Department is apparently the only one offering courses in French: Introduction to Canadian History and Quebec in Canada. New courses on War in the Modern World and Europe, Renaissance to the Enlightenment are planned, but dependent upon further hiring.

College of New Caledonia: here growth and development are all too evident. The History Department is hiring a European specialist and waiting lists for courses have never been longer. All is well save for uncertainty about the loss of courses to a future university in the north.

Cariboo University College: considerable adjustment is associated with the transformation into a University College. There is much to be done but budgetary means are limited. Enrolments are up and waiting lists are lengthening. New Canadian and American specialists have been hired. Upper-level faculty have a twelve hour/week teaching load with an enrolment cap of 110 students/semester. Upper-level Canadian courses include: Native History, Western Canada and Twentieth-Century Canada.

For the next five years U.B.C. degree will be granted at Cariboo and therefore the third and fourth year history courses offered and the instructors teaching those courses must be approved by the U.B.C. History Department. New upper level courses generated by the Cariboo History Department will require U.B.C. Senate approval.

Douglas College reports that the strike was resolved positively. The settlement has created the opportunity for a third full-time historian in Asian history. The teaching load at Douglas is four sections per semester with a maximum thirty five students per section.

Malaspina University College enrolments in lower level history courses have doubled. A third full time person has been hired in Canadian history. Another position in European history has yet to be filled. Areas to be stressed in upper-level offerings include: North America, Modern Europe and Popular Culture. The three upper-level courses to be offered in 1990/91 are: B.C., the Prairies and Canadian political history. Next year all faculty will be able to apply for release time to do research.

Capilano College, the twenty-one sections of history offered last year were nearly full. Regular part-time positions are being transformed into full-time positions. There is a replacement appointment in American history.

Camosun College: the student teaching load is informally set at 140, there being no contractual limit. There are new courses in Canadian intellectual and women's history. There is, however, no money for expanding the History Department.

U.B.C.: a hand out on articulation - related matters was distributed. Also, a replacement is being hired in the 19th century British field while one, and possibly two, positions in Asian history are to be filled.

S.F.U.: Bob Koepke is now the contact person in the Department on articulation matters. The maximum enrolment for seminars and tutorials now is 18 instead of 20. Additional money is available to make up for the budgetary shortfalls of the 'eighties. The new money, however, permits only one appointment instead of the five that are required.

Northern Lights College: European history was offered by teleconference and judged not all that successful. Next year America history will be offered in the same way. There are two new Ancient World courses (Hist 231/232) on the books but they have yet to be offered. At this point Northern Lights is unsure of the University of the North's impact.

North Island College history remains stable, both in terms of department members and courses offered. There are plans to offer second-year courses.

University of Victoria enrolments have risen dramatically with every course oversubscribed. Two new people have been hired in British and world history. The Department is establishing a Ph.D. program. First and second year lecture courses enrol a maximum 55 students while upper-level courses have a maximum of 40 and seminars are capped at eighteen students.

Fraser Valley College enrolments increased again this year with waiting lists for most sections. Planning is underway to hire a third full time person next year, possibly in Asian history. The workload is four courses/semester with a maximum thirty-five students/section.

Trinity Western University: offers twenty-two courses. There are forty-five students majoring in history and enrolments are increasing. Maximum class size is twenty-five. There are two full time and two part time historians.

Open University: enrolments have increased and more tutors have been hired to meet the demand. Majors can be completed in European, Canadian and American history. New areas of concentration include women's history, war, peace and society and Asian studies. O.L.A. now offers a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree to students who have a Fine Arts Diploma from Emily Carr. Also, remember Readings in the History of B.C. (\$29.95) which can be ordered from O.L.A.

V.C.C. Langara: two vacancies in the History Department have recently been filled by Marjory Lang and Wendy Nelson. The workload is four by four with a maximum enrolment of thirty-six per section.

Okanagan College: a letter from Eric Nellis is attached to the minutes.

Concerns Relating to the University College

1. Andrea will write Okanagan University College's History Department requesting either a representative at the next History Articulation meeting or a written report (see attached).
2. John Belshaw commented on the importance of smoothly articulating third and fourth year courses between the university colleges and the three universities.
3. There are difficulties with the inter-library loan process particularly between Cariboo and the U.B.C. library. Interlibrary loan rates are expensive in B.C. but considerably cheaper in Alberta.
4. It was agreed that a letter be send to the Ministry querying the details of funding for the provincial Access program. How much money is being spent on expanding first and second year programs how much an establishing third and fourth year courses and how is this money being apportioned among post-secondary institutions? Of particular concern is the need to fund adequately the essential support services for the new upper-level courses at the university colleges. The following motion underlines the point:

Whereas university-colleges have been established in British Columbia, it is now absolutely essential to initiate and sustain adequate funding for the more specialized third and fourth year courses, as well as the necessary level of support in such vital areas as library resources.

Helen Brown moved, John Belshaw seconded, unanimous.

5. Representatives agreed to find out what their institution's policy is on interlibrary loans and report back at the next meeting.
6. So far as workload goes at Cariboo, John Belshaw teaches a maximum 120 students per semester. His contact time averages out to twelve hours per week. The maximum class size for an upper-level course is twenty five. U.B.C. requires scholarly activity of those teaching upper-level courses. UVic does not have such a requirements for faculty at Malaspina.
7. It seems that C.N.C. is threatened by the arrival on its doorstep in Prince George of the University of the North. The new university is planning to offer all four years of an undergraduate degree and appears set to remove second year courses from C.N.C. in the process. Those northern Colleges that are far removed from Prince George would appear to have better prospects.
8. There will be an update and further discussion on the university college situation at the next history articulation meeting.

Enrolment Limits:

1. Several college representatives noted that their administrations have taken steps to limit enrolments. While Douglas and Capilano have an open door policy, they have implemented priority registration to cope with heavy demand.
2. Various measures limit the entry of transfer students into the universities. U.B.C. has capped the number of transfer students into second and third year at 750. While there are no formal distinctions between their own and transfer students at Uvic, the complicated registration process works against college students.

Associate Degree

The B.C. Council on Admissions and Transfer sponsored a workshop on the Associate Degree concept recently in Richmond. In general, the Associate Degree seeks to create a province-wide lower level curriculum while at the same time recognizing the achievement of college students who meet certain standards. Robert Campbell believes that most of his students will bypass the A.D. in pursuit of degree completion. Others anticipate a significant increase in enrolments, especially at the second-year level.

A publication entitled Associate Program is now circulating which gives a full account of the Richmond workshop.

Advance Placement

Students seeking advanced placement meet with mixed reactions when applying to universities and colleges. S.F.U. grants advance placement while neither U.B.C. nor Trinity Western are willing to do so. Fraser Valley College accepts AP applications but it is up to the Departments to approve them.

Next Meeting

The next annual history articulation meeting is scheduled for mid-May, 1991. Peter Weber has kindly agreed to host the meeting at Northwest College in Terrace. He will make arrangements for a Friday business meeting and a Saturday field trip.

Adjournment

Special thanks to Clarence Bolt of Camosun College for hosting the meeting as well as an agreeable lunch at the Barley Mow.