



## **Academic Programs Committee of Council**

### **University Course Challenge**

**Scheduled posting: February 2014**

The following types of curricular and program changes are approved by the University Course Challenge -- additions and deletions of courses, lower levels of study and program options; straightforward program changes; and changes to courses which affect another college.

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**Next scheduled posting:**

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## **College of Arts and Science**

The curricular revisions listed below were approved through the Arts & Science College Course and Program Challenge and are now submitted to the University Course Challenge for approval.

### **DIVISION OF HUMANITIES & FINE ARTS**

#### **Religion & Culture**

##### **New Course(s)**

##### **JPNS 233.3 Popular Culture and Cinema in Japan**

1/2 (3L-3P) Japanese popular culture, in the forms of manga, anime, films, and even characters like Hello Kitty, have become an integral part of popular culture across the globe today. From Godzilla to Miyazaki films, it seems that Japan is “cool.” This course explores the Japanification of global popular culture by examining Japanese popular culture and its reception in the west and in East Asia from the 1950s through the present. Course meetings will include lectures, discussions, reading examples of manga and anime in translation, and viewing and discussing noteworthy films. Particular attention will be paid to how issues of modernity, loss, anguish and rebirth—all cultural and religious themes—play significant, yet sometimes silent, roles in Japanese popular culture.

Prerequisite(s): Completion of 30 credit units at the university, or permission of the department.

Note: This course may not be used to fulfill the Language requirement in Arts & Science programs.

Instructor(s): George Keyworth

Rationale: Improves department’s offerings in the field, reflects the research interests of the instructor and responds to student demands. External funding has been procured which will cover 50% of the instructional costs for up to 15 credit units of Japanese courses.

### **DIVISION OF SCIENCE**

#### **Physics & Engineering Physics**

##### **Minor Course Revisions**

##### **EP 320.3 Discrete Linear Systems and Applied Information Theory**

Prerequisite change:

Old prerequisite: (EE 202 or EP 229) and EP 228 and MATH 224.

New prerequisite: (EE 202 or EP 229) and EP 214 and EP 228 and MATH 224.

Rationale: EP 214 contains the linear systems material required for the discrete linear systems component of EP 320. This should have been added when the new EP program was created last year.

##### **Items for Information**

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## BACHELOR OF ARTS & SCIENCE PROGRAM

### Update to College Policy

Update to revise information in the Program Catalogue to clarify that the requirements for the BA&Sc as a second degree are the same as those for a second BA or BSc.

*The original information is taken from the Program Catalogue, College of Arts & Science, Academic Information & Policies section (2013-2014).*

### Second Degree Programs

Programs in Arts & Science and in other colleges of this University may be combined to enable the student to obtain more than one degree in less time than if the two programs were taken separately. Students intending to complete degrees from Arts & Science and from another college should be aware that they must be admitted to the other college before they can receive the other college degree. It is possible to complete an Arts & Science degree while registered as a student in another college.

Students who wish to follow a Second Degree Program are advised to consult the Undergraduate Student Office of the College of Arts & Science to ascertain the precise course requirements. The duration of the Second Degree Program and the course requirements are determined by the following regulations:

1. *Residency requirement:* Students must meet the residency requirements for the College of Arts & Science.
2. *Additional credit requirements:* Students pursuing a B.A., **B.A.&Sc.** or B.Sc. degree in addition to another different degree, must complete at least 30 Arts & Science credit units not used for the other degree. These additional Arts & Science credits are required regardless of the number of Arts & Science courses included in the program leading to the first degree. These courses must be allowable for credit in the College of Arts & Science.
3. *Program requirement:* Students must satisfy all program requirements and the graduation standards for the degree being attempted.  
Note: In some cases, these regulations may mean that students are required to take more than the minimum 90 credit units for a Three-year degree or more than 120 credit units for a Four-year or Honours degree. The credit units which are in excess of the 90 or 120 may or may not be in the subject of the major.
4. For students completing an Arts & Science degree and a degree from another college, the number of senior (200-level, 300-level and 400-level) credit units required is dependent on the courses chosen for the degree in the other college. To determine requirements for the second degree, **students must consult the Undergraduate Student Office, College of Arts & Science**, prior to their final year.
5. *Date of commencement of a program:* Once a degree has been received, students must complete the program requirements and the graduation standards which are in place for the academic session in which they begin their studies toward the additional degree or certificate (For example, students who complete a B.Sc. Three-year and return to upgrade to a B.Sc. Four-year must follow the new B.Sc. Program). If the date of program commencement is more than 10 years ago, students should contact the Undergraduate Student Office. Such students will be required to meet the current degree requirements.

6. The overall and major Cumulative Weighted Averages (C.W.A.) for Arts & Science graduation are calculated on grades from all University of Saskatchewan courses taken, including any course from another college which credits toward the Arts & Science degree and all Arts & Science courses taken while in another college. This means that the average will include all courses which transfer to the College of Arts & Science, even if they exceed the minimum number of credit units required for the Second Degree program requirements. Under certain restrictions, failures and marks below 60% will be excluded from the average if these courses have been retaken in accordance with the rules of the College. See "Cumulative Weighted Average" in this section.
7. Students who have completed a B.A. Type A (Humanities) prior to a B.Sc. (Science) are exempt from the Humanities Writing Requirement for B.Sc. programs.

## Arts & Science

### **Second B.A., B.A.&Sc. or B.Sc. Degree (B.A. and B.A., B.A.&Sc. and B.A.&Sc., or B.Sc. and B.Sc.)**

The following regulations apply to students who have a B.A. and wish to complete a second B.A., **have a B.A.&Sc. and wish to complete a second B.A.&Sc.**, or who have a B.Sc. and wish to complete a second B.Sc.:

1. After completion of a B.A., **B.A.&Sc.** or B.Sc. degree, it is possible to obtain a second Four-year or Honours B.A., **B.A.&Sc.** or B.Sc. degree that is in a different major. Students who have completed their previous degree at the University of Saskatchewan must complete a minimum of 30 credit units so as to satisfy all the requirements for a different major, and such that the 30 credit units includes a minimum of 12 credit units of relevant courses as approved by the department of the new major.
2. Students transferring from another institution and pursuing a second B.A., **B.A.&Sc.** or B.Sc. Four-year or Honours degree must meet the residency requirements of the College of Arts and Science for the degree in the same manner as for a first degree program (see Residency Regulations).
3. The B.A. Three-year degree is not available to a student who holds a previous B.A. degree, and the B.Sc. Three-year degree is not available to a student who holds a previous B.Sc. degree.

### **B.A. and B.A.&Sc. or B.Sc., B.A.&Sc. and B.A. or B.Sc., or B.Sc. and B.A. or B.A.&Sc.**

The following regulations apply to students who have a B.A. and wish to complete a **B.A.&Sc. or B.Sc.**, **have a B.A.&Sc. and wish to complete a B.A. or B.Sc.** or who have a B.Sc. and wish to complete a B.A. **or B.A.&Sc.**:

1. Students may not receive two Three-year degrees.
2. To receive a Four-year or Honours B.A. after a **B.A.&Sc. or B.Sc.** degree, **a Four-year or Honours B.A.&Sc. after a B.A. or B.Sc.**, or a Four-year or Honours B.Sc. after a B.A. **or B.A.&Sc.** degree, students must complete a minimum of 30 additional credit units and fulfill all program requirements. The 30 additional credit units are required regardless of whether the first degree was a Three-year, Four-year or Honours degree. Students must complete at least 120 to 150 credit units.
3. To receive a Three-year degree, students must complete a minimum of 30 additional credit units and fulfill all program requirements. Only students who have completed a Four-year or Honours degree may subsequently complete a Three-year degree. Students must complete at least 150 credit units.

## **Upgrade of Arts & Science Three-year degree to Four-year or Honours degree, or Four-year degree to Honours degree**

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### **Degrees for students with a B.A. or B.Sc. from another university**

Students with a B.A., **B.A.&Sc.** or B.Sc. degree from another university may be allowed to receive a B.A., **B.A.&Sc.** or B.Sc. degree from the University of Saskatchewan. Students are required to meet the residency requirements and to complete program requirements. Students who wish to pursue such an option must consult the Undergraduate Student Office, College of Arts & Science.

### **Arts and Science B.F.A. (In Studio Art or Drama)**

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### **Arts & Science and Agriculture & Bioresources, Edwards School of Business, Engineering, Kinesiology, Nursing, Nutrition & Dietetics, Pharmacy, Veterinary Medicine**

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### **Arts & Science and Dentistry or Medicine**

The Second Degree Program in Arts & Science and Dentistry or Medicine, leading to the B.A., **B.A.&Sc.** or B.Sc. and D.M.D or M.D. is available.

Please consult the Undergraduate Student Office for more information.

### **Arts & Science and Education**

The Second Degree Program for the B.A. or B.Sc. Three-year and B.Ed. requires a minimum of 156 credit units and completion of all program and degree requirements. Students who have been awarded a B.Ed. and wish to receive a B.A. or B.Sc. Three-year degree must complete at least 30 additional credit units in Arts & Science, in addition to any Arts & Science courses used in completing the Education degree, as well as completing all program and degree requirements. Students may also choose to complete a B.A., **B.A.&Sc.** or B.Sc. Four-year or Honours degree. Such students should consult the Undergraduate Student Office.

### **Arts & Science and Law**

The Second Degree Program in Arts & Science and Law, leading to the B.A., **B.A.&Sc.** or B.Sc. and J.D., is available. Up to 18 credit units of the following courses in the law program may be counted as senior electives in the College of Arts & Science by students following the Second Degree Program:

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### **B.A. or B.Sc. and Bachelor of Music (B.Mus.)**

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### **B.A. or B.Sc. and B.Ed./B.Mus.(Mus.Ed.)**

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Rationale: This information is currently missing from the Program Catalogue. As more BA&Sc programs are approved, there is a greater likelihood that a student will wish to complete one of these programs as a second degree, and therefore it is important that the criteria be available.

## DIVISION OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

### Psychology

#### Minor Course Revisions

#### **PSY 257.3 Clinical and Counselling Psychology**

Prerequisite change:

Old prerequisite: PSY 121

New prerequisite: PSY 235 and one of PSY 222 or PSY 223

New course number: **PSY 357.3**

New course description: This course provides an introduction to activities central to the practice of clinical psychology (i.e., assessment, therapy, and research) and to several approaches to therapeutic change. The scientific foundations of clinical psychology and contemporary research and theory are emphasized

Rationale: The psychology department has recognized that clinical psychology is an advanced topic that should be presented at a level of sophistication appropriate for a 300-level course. The 300-level version of this course will put a greater emphasis on the clinical science aspect of field. Therefore, students taking this course will need a research methods course as a prerequisite. The other prerequisites (Personality or Abnormal Psychology) will be included to ensure that students have the necessary background in content for this course and so that they will have the opportunity to related the content of this advanced course to material they have learned previously.

## Edwards School of Business

#### New course

COMM 410.3 Financial Statements Analysis

Lecture 39

Prerequisite: COMM 201 and COMM 210

Emphasizing the accounting fundamentals of financial statements and the related financial reporting environment, various financial analysis tools for assessing an entity's financial position, financial performance and cash flows are introduced. The use of financial analysis for enterprise valuation, and for investing and lending decisions, is illustrated and discussed.

Notes: Students will be encouraged to take this course as part of the final 30 credit hours of their program.

This course was previously taught as a special topics course and will be added to the list of Group 2 Accounting courses in the Management major.

#### *Rationale for introducing this course*

The ability to analyze, interpret financial statement information and to apply that information for a variety of canonical business decisions such as financial valuation, investing and lending is an important skill for business students to possess. Although this skill is developed throughout a student's program of study in the B.COMM program the coverage is diffusive. Consequently, a capstone style course on this topic can be very valuable by acting to bring together and integrate

the accounting, finance and management skills learned during the course of a typical student's program. Since the course will also reinforce prior learning and integrate topics from finance and accounting in particular, students who take the course can be more confident that they will possess the knowledge and skills to be effective financial analysts no matter their specific choice of a career.

The opportunity to learn and integrate analytical and interpretive financial skills in the context of studying the financial statements of real world companies is also a valuable aspect of this course.