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TO: Academic Policy and Programs

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AGENDA ITEM: 3

ITEM IDENTIFICATION:

Proposal for a Joint University of Toronto – York University Collaborative Doctoral Program in Ancient Greek and Roman History.

JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:

The Committee has authority to recommend to Academic Board for approval Academic Program proposals that involve joint programs with external institutions.

PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

HIGHLIGHTS:

The Joint Collaborative Program between the Department of Classics at the University of Toronto and the Department of History at York University will provide students with access to a much larger pool of specialized faculty expertise which will strengthen their professional training. Currently, the Department of History at the University of Toronto does not include Ancient Greek and Roman History in its areas of focus. It is expected the program will attract qualified applicants to the Department of Classics. The start date of the program will be September 2004.

FINANCIAL AND/OR PLANNING IMPLICATIONS:

Administrative costs will alternate between York University and the University of Toronto and will be met within existing budgets. The resource implications are minimal and there are no expected additional budget requirements.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Committee on Academic Policy and Programs recommend to the Academic Board for approval:

THAT the proposal for a Joint University of Toronto – York University Collaborative Doctoral Program in Ancient Greek and Roman History as specified in the attached letter from the School of Graduate Studies dated January 30, 2004 be approved.

January 30, 2004

Professor Vivek Goel
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Dear Professor Goel:

At its meeting of November 25, 2003, the Council of the School of Graduate Studies approved the following motion:

THAT SGS Council approve the proposal for a Joint University of Toronto – York University Collaborative Doctoral Program in Ancient Greek and Roman History, pending the receipt of all appropriate signatures on the Memorandum of Agreement. The start date will be September 2004. The new collaborative program will be housed within Division I for administrative purposes.

The motion sheet and supporting documentation are attached. We have now secured all signatures on the Memorandum of Agreement. Division I Executive Committee approved the proposal on November 6, 2003.

On behalf of the Council of the School of Graduate Studies, I am presenting this item to Governing Council committees, for information or approval, as appropriate.

Yours sincerely,

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Secretary to SGS Council
and Coordinator of Policy, Program and Liaison

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Joint Collaborative Doctoral Program in the area of Ancient Greek and Roman History.

Executive Summary

Important Initiative and Rationale. The Joint Collaborative Doctoral Program in Ancient Greek and Roman History, proposed by the Department of Classics at the University of Toronto and the Graduate Program in History at York University, has as its purpose to make available to students of Ancient Greek and Roman History one of the largest and best concentrations of specialists in the field in North America, and the methodological diversity which comes from drawing on two disciplinary contexts, the linguistic and philological strengths of the Classics Department and the expertise and methodologies of colleagues working in a Department of History. (Note that the Department of History at the University of Toronto does not include Ancient Greek and Roman History in its areas of expertise.)

Expected Impact. It is expected that the Collaborative Program will attract more and more qualified applicants to the Department of Classics, but that these can be accommodated within the Department's approved growth targets. Administrative costs (released time for a Director, office expenses) will alternate between York and Toronto and can be met within existing budgets. Overall, the resource implications are minimal.

Appropriateness of Title. "Joint Collaborative Doctoral Program" emphasises the collaboration of two Universities and two different disciplines. "Ancient Greek and Roman History" distinguishes the Collaborative Program from other programs dealing with history or sponsored by the Department of History.

Program Requirements. All students in the collaborative program will take two seminars: CLA 3020H, *Research Methods in Ancient History* and CLA 3200Y, *Work in Progress in Ancient History*, at least **three** graduate half-courses in Greek and Roman History offered by the collaborating units, and all remaining courses needed to fulfil the degree requirements of either the Graduate Program in Classics at the University of Toronto or the Graduate Program in History at York. The Major field must always be in Greek or Roman History, whereas the Minor field will normally be in a complementary area of Ancient History. All students must pass a qualifying examination in at least two relevant ancient languages and demonstrate a reading knowledge of two modern languages other than English.

Faculty. Core faculty members of the Program from each institution will be cross-appointed to the graduate faculty of the other institution for the purposes of participating in the activities of the Program, including membership on supervisory committees. The complete list (8 from the University of Toronto, 6 from York University) is included in the Proposal Brief.

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

Brief for the Establishment
of the
Joint Collaborative Doctoral Program
in
Ancient Greek and Roman History

Submitted to the
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1. Introduction and Rationale

RATIONALE

The Department of Classics at the University of Toronto and the Graduate Program in History at York University both offer OCGS-approved doctoral programs in Ancient History. These two units propose the establishment of a Joint Collaborative Doctoral Program in Ancient Greek and Roman History. Although both units have exceptional strength in this area, strong library resources, and faculty members of international standing, they differ in that Toronto's ancient historians are appointed to the Department of Classics and York's are appointed to the Graduate Program in History. The training and practices of ancient historians world-wide are highly convergent, and 'ancient history' forms a distinct and cohesive speciality which straddles the disciplines of History and Classics. It is a strength of the field that ancient history is taught variously within Classics, History or both departments; despite the cohesion of the field, distinctive advantages are offered by operating within a History department (typically a broader historical context and more open methodological framework for research and teaching) and within a Classics department (typically a better integration with other fields of study within the ancient world and readier access to the linguistic, cultural and ancillary disciplines without which ancient history cannot function at its best).

The two units believe that a Joint Collaborative Program, structured on the lines indicated in this proposal, will provide a number of important advantages for doctoral students training in the subject. Not only will students have access to a much larger pool of specialized faculty expertise (see below), but their training and research will be significantly enhanced by the methodological diversity which comes from drawing on two disciplinary contexts. Students will be attracted to the program from backgrounds in Classics and in History, and we are confident that interaction with students from the other participating unit will be an advantage to all students in the program.

The Classics department at the University of Toronto is involved in other Collaborative Programs, including Ancient Studies (with Fine Art History Near and Middle Eastern Civilizations). The aims of Ancient Studies are different in several respects, as it has a special focus on the archaeology, art history and material culture of pre-modern civilizations in an area which extends throughout the middle east and includes Egypt as well as many other non-Greco-Roman civilizations. Ancient Studies has no participation from outside the University of Toronto, nor is the Department of History involved. It is worth noting here that History at the University of Toronto has never included Ancient Greek and Roman History among its specialities and has no plans to do so. Hence the central aim of this proposal, which is to achieve methodological and disciplinary diversity in the study of Ancient Greek and Roman History, can only be achieved through this Joint Collaborative Program.

There are a number of promising parallels in North America and the U.K. for cooperation at the graduate level in Ancient Greek and Roman History between local universities: for example, the Chicago area consortium in Ancient History; the collaboration at the graduate level between Princeton, the University of Pennsylvania and Rutgers University in New Jersey; the Boston area seminar in Ancient History; the intercollegiate structure of graduate studies in Ancient Greek and Roman History at the University of London in the U.K. In Canada important collaborative programs exist in cognate fields: for example, the collaborative Graduate Program in Philosophy involving McMaster, Guelph and Wilfrid Laurier Universities and the collaborative Graduate Program in History involving Wilfrid Laurier University and the Universities of Guelph and Waterloo.

Over the last decade, there has been increasing collaboration between the Greek and Roman historians from York and U. of T. J. Edmondson (History, York) has served as an Associate Member of the Graduate Program in Classics at the University of Toronto since 1992, while C. Bruun (Classics, Toronto) was appointed in May 2003 an Associate Member of the Graduate Program in History at York. In addition, a number of the York faculty (Edmondson, Rives, Trevett) have collaborated with Toronto Classics faculty members on the editorial committee of *Phoenix*. York faculty participate regularly in seminars in Greek and Roman history at the University of Toronto and University of Toronto faculty at those at York. A number of faculty from both programs (Mason, Rives, Edmondson from York, Barnes and Bruun from the University of Toronto) participated in the large international conference on Flavius Josephus in Flavian Rome in May 2001 at Glendon College, York University. There is thus already considerable synergy and collegial cooperation between faculty in Greek and Roman History from the two universities, which suggests that the time is opportune for a more formal pooling of resources to form a really strong, wide-ranging and attractive Collaborative Program in Ancient Greek and Roman History.

RESOURCES

The Graduate Program in History at York University and the Graduate Program in Classics at the University of Toronto each have a number of ancient historians of international stature: at Toronto T.D. Barnes, C. Bruun, N. Luraghi, C. Rubincam, J. Traill, M.B. Wallace; at York J. Edmondson, S. Mason, J. Rives, J. Trevett (plus T. Gallant, who has published two monographs and various articles on the social and economic history of Ancient Greece, although his research is now centred on 19th and 20th century Greek social history). There is also a strong group of art historians with interests in social and cultural history of Greece and Rome: M. Koortbojian and M. Miller (Toronto) and G. Métraux (York). With the recent announcement of a Canada Research Chair for S. Mason (York) and a search underway for a new position in his field, Christian origins, with at least one further position under search in Roman History and a second position in Ancient History

possible at the University of Toronto, and with an appointment in Greek and/or Roman social history high on the current hiring priority list of the Dept. of History at York, this strength will be enhanced in the next few years, despite the impending retirement of John Traill (June 2004).

The Robarts Research Library is at the disposal of researchers and students in both units, and it ranks among the top five in North America; Robarts is notably strong in Ancient Greek and Roman history, with an excellent collection of primary sources, learned journals and scholarly monographs in the field. Each year a number of eminent scholars in Ancient Greek and Roman History are invited to Toronto to give seminars or lectures at a variety of venues and there is a flourishing chapter of the Archaeological Institute of America with a lively program of eight visiting speakers per year.

The art historians at the University of Toronto are appointed to Fine Art History, but participate regularly in the affairs of the Classics department. In the context of a Collaborative Program, they would be cross-appointed to the graduate program in Classics and some of their courses would be available to students in the Collaborative Program.

2. Objectives

Despite the strengths of Ancient History at the two universities, it is fair to say that Toronto has not yet fulfilled its potential as a major centre of graduate studies in Ancient Greek and Roman History. When considered together, the ancient historians at York and the University of Toronto have the capacity to rival other leading North American universities such as Harvard, Yale, Chicago, Berkeley, Stanford, Columbia or Michigan.

One major objective of the proposed collaboration is to facilitate the fulfillment of this potential. At present, the subject lacks visibility since it forms only a small part of the extensive curricula of the Graduate Program in History at York University and the Graduate Program in Classics at the University of Toronto. The collaboration will raise the profile of the subject and stimulate strong applications to both units. Furthermore, the research specializations of faculty in the two units are complementary. Taken together, they can offer the most comprehensive range of research areas in North America.

Complementing this objective and helping to realize it is the Program's aim to provide a methodologically diverse experience in graduate courses and research opportunities to students in both units. This will increase diversity and enhance the doctoral research carried out by students and so strengthen their professional training.

3. Admission requirements

Students wishing to register in the Collaborative Program need to be formally admitted to one of the collaborating units by the normal admissions procedures of their respective home unit and are required to meet all regular admission standards. Interested students normally register in the Collaborative Program with the approval of the Program Committee upon admission to the Ph.D. program in either unit. A strong prior background in Ancient History will be expected of all candidates for admission to the Program, as will a level of preparation in the ancient languages and languages of research that is appropriate for the institution in which they intend to register.

4. Program requirements and common learning experience

Doctoral program requirements:

All doctoral students will take the following core course(s) (seminars, etc.):

Course Number	Course Name
CLA 3020 H	Research Methods in Ancient History (see Appendix IV for fuller synopsis and new course proposal)
<i>Synopsis:</i>	a mandatory half-course offered jointly by faculty in the two units; faculty members will offer instruction on their special areas of expertise. The course coordinator will be the Program Director. It will have a distinct course code at each university and students will register under the code for their home university. Most sessions will be held on the St. George campus of the University of Toronto.
CLA 3200Y, Y	Work in Progress in Ancient History (see Appendix IV for fuller synopsis and new course proposal)
<i>Synopsis:</i>	Work in Progress in Ancient History: a work-in-progress seminar (graded CR/NCR) in which faculty members and graduate students meet on average eight times per academic year, to discuss research papers offered by faculty and students (especially those past their comprehensive examinations) in the Collaborative Program and by occasional visiting speakers. Sessions of the course may be held on either campus. The course coordinator will be the Program Director. Students are required to participate in the seminar for at least two years and to present at least one research paper at it to fulfil Program requirements; it is recommended that students attend regularly throughout their time in the program.

Other program requirements at the Doctoral level, including the common learning experience for all students in the Collaborative Program, are:

Students are required to take at least three graduate half-courses in Greek and Roman History offered by the collaborating units, as well as the mandatory graduate half-course, Research Methods in Ancient History, and the Work in Progress in Ancient History seminar described above. These two courses constitute the most formal aspect of the common learning experience. The Work in Progress seminar will be particularly effective in exposing students to high-quality research being carried out in the field by faculty and students who come from backgrounds in both Classics and History. The concentration of Ancient History specialists in regular graduate courses will also provide a focus for shared interests and research techniques.

They will take all remaining courses needed to fulfil the degree requirements of either the Graduate Program in Classics at the University of Toronto or the Graduate Program in History at York according to the normal procedures of the student's home unit.

Students take all Examinations required by their home unit and must satisfy the language requirements of their home unit. For students in the Program the Program Committee approves the Major and Minor fields of all students in the Collaborative Program. The Major field must always be in Greek or Roman History, whereas the Minor field will normally be in a complementary area of Ancient History, but can, where appropriate, be selected from other areas of study covered by the participating units. The examining committee for such Comprehensive Examinations is in normal circumstances composed of faculty members from both collaborating units.

All students in the Collaborative Program must pass a qualifying examination in at least two relevant ancient languages either before or as part of their Major field Comprehensive Examinations. The choice of languages is subject to Program Committee approval. Examination on these languages may be carried out either by the normal procedures of the home unit or, at the discretion of the Program Committee, by a two-person examining committee established by the Program Committee.

All students in the Collaborative Program must demonstrate a reading knowledge of two modern languages other than English. The choice of languages is subject to Program Committee approval.

A student's supervisory committee will be selected from among the core members of the Collaborative Program whose research interests coincide the closest with the student's chosen topic. Core faculty members of the Program from each institution will be cross-appointed to the graduate faculty of the other institution for the purposes of participating in the activities of the Program, including membership on supervisory committees.

Students enrolled in the Collaborative Program will benefit from contact with a wider range of methods, areas of research and approaches than would be possible at either institution alone.

Completion of program requirements

All students enrolled in the collaborative program must complete the requirements of the collaborative program in addition to those requirements for the degree program in their home graduate unit. The collaborative program Director and/or Program Committee (see Memorandum of Agreement) is responsible for certifying the completion of the

collaborative program requirements. The home graduate unit is solely responsible for the approval of the student's home degree requirements.

Successful completion of the program permits the designation 'Completed Joint Collaborative Doctoral Program in Ancient Greek and Roman History' to appear on the student's transcript.

6. Participation of home graduate programs

The Collaborative Program's core faculty members in each institution are available to work with students in the program as advisors or supervisors; faculty members at each institution will be cross-appointed (status only) to the other institution for the purpose of participation in the Collaborative Program. It is expected that a core faculty member in the student's home institution will be involved in thesis supervision. Core faculty members also contribute to the collaborative program through teaching of the relevant courses and participating in the delivery of seminar series and other common learning elements. Not all faculty members participate each year and, in many cases, may simply remain available to interested students. Some faculty may teach courses in the subject area of the Collaborative Program in the home program. The list of the collaborative program's core faculty members is available in Appendix III.

7. Administration

The program will be administered by a Program Committee made up of four faculty members (two from each participating unit), one of whom shall be the Director. The Program Committee initiates and recommends the appointment of a Director, after consultation with the Chair of the Department of Classics at the University of Toronto and the Director of the Graduate Program in History at York University. The Director is jointly appointed by the Dean of the School of Graduate Studies at the University of Toronto and Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies at York University, normally for a term of two years. The directorship shall alternate between the two participating universities. Remaining Program Committee members are appointed annually by the Chair of the Department of Classics, Toronto and the Director of the Graduate Program in History, York respectively. Routine administrative costs of the program will be borne by the department of the Director.

The Director and the Program Committee are responsible for the approval of admissions to the collaborative program, and are responsible for approving the completion of collaborative program requirements, including the granting of the collaborative program designation. The Committee and Director also recommend changes to the program, as required, approve advertising, etc.

8. Resource Issues

Resource implications are minimal. As indicated, routine administrative costs will be covered by the home unit of the director. Advertising costs for the launch of the program will be shared equally between the participating units. Thereafter, each unit will promote and recruit for the program as part of its overall graduate program activities. Demands for space and other research facilities are not expected to increase significantly as a result of the Program. 'Research Methods in Ancient History' will be taught in conjunction with CLA 3000H at the University of Toronto; of the 13 sessions in the course, at least 7 will be offered specifically for the Collaborative Program. Under the supervision of the Program Director, these sessions will be taught by members of the Program faculty and may be held at either institution. The remaining sessions will be offered by the University of Toronto jointly with CLA 3000H and will be held on the St. George campus of the University of Toronto; these sessions will be taught by faculty members of the Classics Department at the University of Toronto. Students at each institution will enrol in the course under the course code for their home institution. See Appendix IV for more detail on the conduct of this course.

Research seminar courses will normally be taught at the home institution of the faculty member offering the course. Travel costs between campuses will not be covered by the program. Sessions of 'Work in Progress in Ancient History' will be conducted at whichever campus is most convenient to the leader of each session.

9. Enrolment Projections

At the present time the Department of Classics typically admits 1 or 2 students per year in the areas within which the proposed programme will operate. With the programme in place we anticipate that this will increase significantly, with 2 or 3 students normally admitted (perhaps 1/3 of our intake per year). In addition to this modest enrolment increase, we also expect to be able to attract students with stronger backgrounds. Together with a comparable number from York, this level of enrolment guarantees a 'critical mass' of students in the field. The Toronto component of the programme is appropriate for the size of our programme as it grows to meet its overall enrolment targets. The Program Committee will monitor enrolment patterns with an eye to maintaining a reasonable balance between the enrolments at York and the University of Toronto.

APPENDIX V: Calendar Entry

Ancient Greek and Roman History (Collaborative Program)

Program Faculty

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T. W. Gallant, BA, PhD	York University
M. Koortbojian, BA, MA, PhD	University of Toronto
N. Luraghi, PhD	University of Toronto
S. Mason, BA, MA, PhD	York University
G. P. R. Métraux, BA, MA, PhD	York University
M. C. Miller, BA, AM, PhD	University of Toronto
J. Rives, BA, PhD	York University
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Nature of the Collaborative Program

The Department of Classics at the University of Toronto and the Graduate Program in History at York University participate in the Collaborative Program in Ancient Greek and Roman History. The program in History provides a broad historical context and methodological framework; Classics provides integration with other fields of study within the ancient world and access to linguistic, cultural and ancillary disciplines.

The program operates only at the doctoral level, and students are enrolled in one of the two collaborative units. The program is administered by a Program Committee of four faculty members, two from each unit, one of whom is the Director. The two units contribute courses and provide facilities and supervision for research.

Admission

All candidates must meet the admissions criteria of the unit through which they wish to enrol. Interested students register in the Collaborative Program with the approval of the Program Committee upon admission to the PhD program in either unit. A strong background in Ancient History will be expected of all candidates for admission, as will a level of preparation in the ancient languages and languages of research that is appropriate for the institution in which they register.

Program Requirements

All students will take the required seminars CLA 3010H, 3200Y, as well as three graduate half-courses in Greek and Roman History offered by the collaborating units. They will take all other courses to fulfill the requirements of either the Graduate Program in Classics at the University of Toronto or the Graduate Program in History at York University. Students take all examinations and meet all language requirements of their home unit. The Program Committee approves the Major and Minor Fields of all students in the Collaborative Program; the Major Field must always be in Greek and Roman History, whereas the Minor Field will normally be in a complementary area of Ancient History but can, where appropriate, be selected from other areas of study covered by the participating units. All students in the Collaborative Program must complete the requirements of the collaborative program in addition to those of their home unit. Successful completion of the program permits the designation 'Completed Joint Collaborative Doctoral Program in Ancient Greek and Roman History' to appear on the student's transcript.

Interested students should contact the Director and the Graduate Coordinator of the unit in which they intend to register.