



TO: Planning and Budget Committee

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AGENDA ITEM: #7.4

ITEM IDENTIFICATION:

- Proposal to introduce a renewed Collaborative M.A./Ph.D. Program in South Asian Studies to be housed within Division I of SGS.

JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:

Excerpt from the terms of reference for the Planning and Budget Committee:

- ii) *"Programs" within a particular degree (for example, specialist, major and minor programs offered by the Faculty of Arts and Science) are primarily handled through the curriculum approval process of the Committee on Academic Policy and Programs. The administration brings the resource aspects of these programs to the Committee for consideration only if they involve allocation of Central University resources, significant shifts in divisional resources and/or significant implications for other divisions, institutions, or the public.*

OTHER ACTION TAKEN:

This program will be considered by the Committee on Academic Policy and Programs at their October 15, 2003, meeting.

HIGHLIGHTS:

The Centre for South Asian Studies proposes an expanded Master's and Doctoral program in South Asian Studies. It is intended to enable graduate students enrolled in a wide range of disciplines to carry out research in the area of South Asia. This program draws on the strength resulting from several new appointments in Geography, History, Religion and Anthropology.

FINANCIAL AND/OR PLANNING IMPLICATIONS:

Enrolment in this program will be through the participating departments and will make use of existing resources. There are no budgetary implications.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information only.