



# University of Toronto

OFFICE OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT AND PROVOST

TO: Planning and Budget Committee

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AGENDA ITEM: 7

## ITEM IDENTIFICATION:

University of Toronto at Mississauga (UTM) proposal that the program in religion be moved from the Department of Anthropology and Religion to become part of the Department of History and Classics and that, as a result, the name of the *Department of Anthropology and Religion* be changed to the *Department of Anthropology* and the *Department of History and Classics* be changed to the *Department of Historical Studies* in order to reflect this restructuring.

## JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:

The Committee recommends to Academic Board changes in name that are part of a proposal for restructuring of academic units.

## PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

This proposal has been approved by:

UTM Academic Affairs Committee – September 14, 2004

UTM Erindale College Council – October 6, 2004

## HIGHLIGHTS:

The departmental name change requests stem from the proposed relocation of the discipline of the study of religion to a new departmental home. The relocation has been proposed as part of UTM's academic planning. After extensive consultation with faculty and graduate chairs in both departments, the proposed relocation of the discipline has been accepted and endorsed by both departments as have the suggested changes in departmental names. Curricular revisions to the program in religion, which are independent of this restructuring, will be submitted later in the year with UTM's other curricular revisions.

## FINANCIAL AND/OR PLANNING IMPLICATIONS:

UTM has stated that there are no new/additional financial resources required to implement the name changes as part of the departmental restructuring. The proposal has also been reviewed by the Planning & Budget Office and confirmed that there are no new/additional financial resources required.

## RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Academic Board approve:

THAT the program in religion be moved from the Department of Anthropology and Religion to become part of the Department of History and Classics.

and

THAT resulting from the above change, the name of the *Department of Anthropology and Religion* be changed to the *Department of Anthropology*

and

THAT the name of the *Department of History and Classics* be changed to the *Department of Historical Studies*.