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TO: Governing Council

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AGENDA ITEM: 5 (i)

ITEM IDENTIFICATION:

Faculty of Arts and Science: Proposal to establish the Anne Tanenbaum Centre for Jewish Studies (Extra-Departmental Unit C (EDU:C)) as an EDU: B

JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:

Under section 5.3.1 of the terms of reference for the Academic Board, proposals for the establishment, disestablishment or restructuring of academic units are recommended by the Board for approval by the Governing Council

GOVERNANCE PATH:

1. Planning and Budget Committee [for recommendation] (May 11, 2016)
2. Academic Board [for recommendation] (May 30, 2016)
3. Executive Committee [for endorsement and forwarding] (June 14, 2016)
4. **Governing Council [for approval] (June 23, 2016)**

PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

The proposal to establish the Anne Tanenbaum Centre for Jewish Studies as an EDU:B was approved by the Faculty of Arts and Science Council on April 20, 2016. The EDU:C was renamed from Centre for Jewish Studies to the Anne Tanenbaum Centre for Jewish Studies in 2014 as per the process outlined in the *Policy on Naming*. The Centre for Jewish Studies was established by the Faculty of Arts and Science as an EDU:C by the Faculty of Arts and Science Faculty Council on February 4, 2008.

HIGHLIGHTS:

This is a proposal to establish Anne Tanenbaum Centre for Jewish Studies (Extra-Departmental Unit C (EDU:C)) as an EDU: B within the Faculty of Arts and Science effective July 1, 2016. The Faculty of Arts and Science is clearly identified as the lead Faculty.

The Centre currently offers the Specialist, Major and Minor in Jewish Studies and the Graduate Collaborative Program in Jewish Studies. It holds a minority tenure-stream appointment and 2 minority teaching-stream appointments. The scope of these academic and research activities are more appropriately aligned with EDU:B status, as outlined in the *Guidelines for Extra-Departmental Units* (2015). As an EDU:B, the proposed Centre will have a Director appointed under the *Policy on Appointment of Academic Administrators* and the EDU:B and its programs would be subject to a cyclical review as outlined in the *Policy for Approval and Review of Academic Programs and Units*. As an EDU:B the unit will be able to administer research funds which will support its research mission and activity.

The proposal is the result of extensive consultation. Consultation occurred with the Chairs of the Departments (History, Philosophy, Religion, Political Science, and German) that hold the six endowed positions related to Jewish Studies. The Centre's executive committee, representing all faculty members affiliated with the Centre, was consulted and agreed that moving towards EDU:B status was the best way to develop the Centre institutionally within the University of Toronto.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The Director will have responsibility for the overall direction of the Centre and in particular over the budget and recommendations for appointment. The EDU:B will administer research funds. The Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Science is ultimately responsible for the administration and budget of the EDU:B and the Director is accountable to the Dean for the financial management of the EDU:B and all of its resources. The existing budget allocation and existing faculty appointments will continue upon approval of EDU:B. status. As laid out in the recent endowment agreement between the University of Toronto and the Jewish Foundation of Greater Toronto, the Anne Tanenbaum Centre for Jewish Studies will hold minority appointments of all newly endowed and all existing Chairs and Professorships in Jewish Studies.

RECOMMENDATION:

Be It Resolved

THAT the proposal to establish the Anne Tanenbaum Centre for Jewish Studies (Extra-Departmental Unit C (EDU: C)) as an EDU:B be approved effective July 1, 2016.

DOCUMENTATION PROVIDED:

- Proposal to change the unit status of the Anne Tanenbaum Centre for Jewish Studies from an EDU: C to an EDU: B

Proposal to change the unit status of the Anne Tanenbaum Centre for Jewish Studies from an EDU:C to an EDU:B

Statement of Purpose

This proposal recommends changing the status of the Anne Tanenbaum CJS from an EDU:C to an EDU:B effective July 1, 2016. This change is necessary so that the Centre, which has grown tremendously over past several years, would better reflect the current nature and extent of its academic activities. The Centre has developed into a leader in its field internationally as it offers a comprehensive undergraduate program as well as collaborative MA and PhD in conjunction with 24 units across the University. In addition, it actively supports and promotes cutting-edge research among its 71 affiliated faculty members who have come to rely on the Centre as a vital administrative and intellectual hub. By changing its status to an EDU:B, the Centre's status will also align appropriately with the Provost's 2015 Guidelines for Extra-Departmental Units. As an EDU:B, it will continue to be responsible for its undergraduate degree program and its graduate Collaborative Programs; hold minority budgetary tenure and teaching stream cross-appointments; and administrator research funds.

This proposal has been prepared after consultation with the Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Science and the Centre's Executive Committee, all of whom received the idea enthusiastically.

Academic Rationale

History

The Program in Jewish Studies, established in 1967, became the Centre for Jewish Studies in 2008 when the Faculty of Arts and Science approved its change to an EDU:C. That decision reflected the growth and aspirations of the Centre, whose lead faculty members saw at the University the intellectual and institutional resources necessary to make Jewish Studies a world-class, interdisciplinary centre for undergraduate education, graduate training, and advanced scholarship. Over the past decade, a period of dramatic transformation spurred both by strategic partnerships across campus and generous external endowments, the Centre was able to double the offerings in its undergraduate program (more than 100 courses are available annually); increase exponentially enrolment in its graduate program (from 7 in 2007 to 83 today); and to attract and add from across the university dozens of affiliated units and faculty members, who now number 71 (up from 30 in 2007).

Current Motivation

Two considerations alone are motivating the proposed change to EDU:B. First, the Centre already holds 49% of one tenure-stream appointment (Grafstein Chair, with 51% in Philosophy) and two 49% teaching-stream appointments, and it can expect to add at least six partial, tenure-stream appointments in the coming years. The recent endowment agreement between the University and the Jewish Foundation of Greater Toronto stipulates that the Centre hold 49% of all newly endowed and all existing Chairs and Professorships in Jewish Studies (the latter only subsequent to the current holder's vacating the endowed position). There are currently six endowed positions (Zacks, Grafstein, Shiff, Wolfe, Bronfman, and Green) that are governed by this agreement, and fundraising efforts for several additional endowed positions are ongoing.

The second motivation is to enable the Centre to hold research funds, especially from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada. Securing external funding and grants for research are perhaps the greatest mark of scholarly activity and accomplishment. Without the right to apply for and hold external grants under its own name, the Centre will never be adequately recognized as a premier research unit by its counterparts internationally. In fact, without this right, the Centre could not even fulfill its basic mandate to promote interdisciplinary scholarship in the form of conferences or collaborative research.

Consultation

There have been extensive consultations with the Chairs of the Departments that hold named positions (History, Philosophy, Religion, Political Science, and German). The process took place when the University of Toronto signed the agreement with the Jewish Foundation of Greater Toronto about the endowment of the Anne Tanenbaum CJS, when it was agreed that all endowed positions in Jewish studies would be split between the Centre and the home departments. The executive committee of the CJS, representing all faculty members affiliated with the Centre, has uniformly agreed that moving towards EDU:B status was the best way to develop CJS institutionally within the UofT. We have always consulted with the Provost's Office.

Faculty Members

The tables below are divided according to three different categories of faculty affiliation with the CJS. The first includes those faculty members whose budgetary lines are partially held by the CJS. The second includes those faculty members who hold endowed Chairs that, in accordance with the University's agreement with the Jewish Foundation, will become minority positions held by the CJS when the current Chair holder vacates the position. The third lists endowed visiting professorships and postdoctoral fellowships. The final category consists of those faculty members whose appointments are in other academic units and who have voluntarily agreed to be affiliated with the CJS.

CJS Faculty

Name	Department(s)	Rank
Goldberg, Sol	Jewish Studies (49%) and Religion (51%)	Assistant Professor, Teaching Stream
Nizri, Yigal	Jewish Studies (49%) and Religion (51%)	Lecturer, Teaching Stream
Morgan, Michael	Jewish Studies (49%) and Philosophy (51%)	Senator Jeremiah S. Grafstein Professor of Jewish Thought

Endowed Chairs

Name	Department(s)	Rank
Adler, Emanuel	Political Science	Andrea and Charles Bronfman Professor of Israeli Studies
Bergen, Doris	History	Chancellor Rose and Ray Wolfe Professor of Holocaust Studies
Novak, David	Religion	J. Richard and Dorothy Shiff Professor of Jewish Studies
Penslar, Derek J	History	Samuel J. Zacks Professor of Jewish History
Shternshis, Anna	Diaspora and Transnational Studies; Germanic Languages and Literatures	Al and Malka Green Associate Professor of Yiddish Studies

Visiting Professors and Postdoctoral Fellows (2015– 2016)

Name	Department(s)	Rank
Dumitru, Diana	History; Jewish Studies	Gerstein Distinguished Visiting Professor
Citron, Gabriel	Philosophy; Jewish Studies	Ray D. Wolfe Postdoctoral Fellow
Mor, Liron	Diaspora and Transnational Studies; Jewish Studies	Anne Tanenbaum Postdoctoral Fellow

Wald, Kenneth	Political Science; Jewish Studies	Shoshana Shier Distinguished Visiting Professor
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Affiliated Faculty

Name	Department(s)	Rank
Akbari, Suzanne	Medieval Studies; English	Professor Jewish Cultures
Ambros, Veronika	Slavic Languages and Literatures	Associate Professor Jewish Cultures
Austin, Robert	European, Russian, and Eurasian Studies	Associate Professor, Teaching Stream
Beiner, Ronald	Political Science	Professor
Bialystok, Frank	Canadian Studies	Sessional Lecturer
Birnbaum, Eleazar	Near and Middle Eastern Civilizations	Professor Emeritus
Blouin, Katherine	Classics; Humanities, UTSC	Associate Professor
Bryant, Joseph	Religion; Sociology	Professor
Brym, Robert	Sociology	Professor
Chambers, Simone	Political Science	Professor
Chazan, Michael	Anthropology	Professor
Clark, Caryl	Music	Professor
Cohen, Adam S.	Art	Associate Professor
Comay, Rebecca	Philosophy; Comparative Literature	Professor
Dinovitzer, Ronit	Sociology	Associate Professor
Dresher, Bezalel Elan	Linguistics	Professor Emeritus
Fehige, Yiftach	History and Philosophy of Science and Technology	Professor
Fox, Harry	Religion; Near and Middle Eastern Civilizations	Associate Professor
Garshowitz, Libby	Near and Middle Eastern Civilizations	Professor Emerita
Geva, Esther	Human Development and Applied Psychology, OISE	Professor
Gibbs, Robert	Philosophy	Professor
Goetschel, Willi	Germanic Languages and Literatures; Philosophy	Professor
Gold, Elaine	Linguistics	Lecturer
Green, Kenneth Hart	Religion	Professor
Harrak, Amir	Near and Middle Eastern Civilizations	Professor
Harris, Jennifer A	Religion	Associate Professor
Harrison, Tim P	Near and Middle Eastern Civilizations	Professor
Heller, Daphna	Linguistics	Assistant Professor
Holmstedt, Robert D	Near and Middle Eastern Civilizations	Associate Professor
Kalmar, Ivan	Anthropology	Professor
Kaplan, Louis	Art; Visual Studies, UTM	Professor
Kloppenborg, John S	Religion	Professor
Komaromi, Ann	Comparative Literature	Assistant Professor
Kopstein, Jeffrey	Political Science	Professor

Kornberg, Jacques	History	Professor Emeritus
Leprohon, Ronald J.	Near and Middle Eastern Civilizations	Professor
Levi, Ron	Sociology and Munk School of Global Affairs	Associate Professor
Livak, Leonid	Slavic Languages and Literatures	Professor
Marrus, Michael R.	History	Professor Emeritus
Marshall, John W.	Religion	Associate Professor
Meacham, Tirzah	Near and Middle Eastern Civilizations	Associate Professor
Metso, Sarianna	Humanities UTSC; Near and Middle Eastern Civilizations	Associate Professor
Meyerson, Mark	History	Professor
Most, Andrea	English	Professor
Newman, Judith	Religion	Associate Professor
Orwin, Clifford	Political Science	Professor
Paz, Alejandro	Social Sciences, UTSC	Assistant Professor
Quayson, Ato	English; Diaspora and Transnational Studies	Professor
Retallack, James	History	Professor
Ripstein, Arthur	Philosophy and Faculty of Law	Professor
Ross, Jill	Comparative Literature; Medieval Studies	Professor
Saleh, Walid	Religion; Near and Middle Eastern Civilizations	Associate Professor
Silver, Dan	Sociology	Assistant Professor
Subtelny, Maria	Near and Middle Eastern Civilizations	Professor
Troper, Harold M	Theory and Policy Studies, OISE	Professor
Vande Moortele, Steven	Music	Assistant Professor
Viola, Lynne	History	University Professor
Walfish, Barry Dov	University of Toronto Library	Judaica Specialist
Weinrib, Ernest	Classics; Law	Professor
Weinrib, Lorraine E	Political Science; Law	Professor
Weisman, Karen	English	Associate Professor
Wittmann, Rebecca	Historical Studies, UTM History	Associate Professor
Wrobel, Piotr	History	Konstanty Reynert Associate Professor of Polish Studies

Structure and Administration of CJS

Administration

The CJS has the following governance structure: A Director, a Graduate Director, an Associate Director, and an Executive Committee.

The Director has responsibility for the overall direction of the Centre; and in particular authority over the budget; and recommendations for appointments and, where applicable, tenure and promotions. The EDU:B Director will report to the Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Science (lead Faculty) and will be appointed under the PAAA.

The Graduate Director and Associate Director are appointed by and report to the EDU:B Director. They are also members of the Executive Committee, the function of which is to support and advise the Director. The remaining members of the Executive Committee are selected by the Director and are meant to represent the various disciplines that comprise Jewish Studies at the University.

Prof. Anna Shternshis, Acting Director
Prof. Doris Bergen, Graduate Director
Prof. Yigal Nizri, Associate/Undergraduate Director
Prof. Sol Goldberg, Program Coordinator
Ms. Galina Vaisman, Financial Manager
Ms. Emily Springgay, Administrative Officer
Ms. Daniela Lev-Aviv, Events Assistant

Executive Committee Members (appointed for 2-year term)

Prof. Anna Shternshis, Acting Director
Prof. Doris Bergen, Graduate Director
Prof. Yigal Nizri, Associate/Undergraduate Director
Prof. Michael Chazan, Department of Anthropology
Prof. Adam Cohen, Department of Art
Prof. Sol Goldberg, Department for the Study of Religion, Anne Tanenbaum Centre for Jewish Studies
Prof. Michael Morgan, Department of Philosophy
Prof. Andrea Most, Department of English
Prof. David Novak, Department for the Study of Religion
Prof. Harold Troper, Department of Theory and Policy Studies, OISE

Budget

The CJS complement plan information for the 2013/14–2016/17 academic years is below. Additionally, I include a the letter of appointment for Prof. Michael Morgan who is serving a 3 year term as the Senator Jerahmiel S. and Carol S. Grafstein Chair in Jewish Philosophy. The appointment letter states that the Anne Tanenbaum Centre for Jewish Studies holds 49% of the appointment, although this cannot be reflected in our B6 as EDU:C units cannot hold minority faculty appointments.

Research Funds

As an EDU: B the Centre can only hold minority appointments, therefore a faculty member will have to designate their research funds to go to the EDU:B and their chair/dean would need to sign off on this.

Review

The CJS, like all EDU:A's and B's, will be subject to The Policy for Approval and Review of Academic Programs and Units, June 24, 2010. Under the University of Toronto Quality Assurance Process [UTQAP], the lead Dean, in consultation with any other active, participating Deans, will commission a review of the EDU and its programs. The interval between program reviews will not exceed eight years.