January 25, 2010

TO: Janice Gripp, Secretary, Arts Executive Committee

FROM: Mark L. Lawall, Associate Dean (Curriculum), Faculty of Arts

SUBJECT: Introduction of two courses to Philosophy MA program

On behalf of the Course and Program Approvals Committee, I have approved the introduction of two new courses in the Philosophy MA program.

PHIL 7400 Independent Research Paper 1 0 cr hrs
PHIL 7410 Independent Research Paper 2 0 cr hrs

These courses are being created purely for administrative purposes to manage the newly introduced MA degree option of writing two major research papers in lieu of the traditional MA thesis. This program modification was approved by CPAC, FGS and Senate. Each of the two courses is a zero-credit hour, pass-fail course to be recorded on the transcript when the student completes the required papers. Since this addition is needed purely for the administrative implementation of the approved modifications, and since these courses have no impact on the resources of the department or Faculty, it is advisable to forward their proposed introduction onward with all speed.

Please add this item to the next Faculty Executive Meeting for report.