Recommendation by the Department of Anthropology and the Divisional Executive Committees of Arts & Humanities and Social Sciences

MOTION:

That the Department of Anthropology have dual affiliation in the divisions of Arts & Humanities and Social Sciences.

RATIONALE:

Traditionally, the interdisciplinary scope of anthropology includes the areas of social sciences and arts and humanities. To this end, some anthropologists make regular use of novels, memoirs, autobiography, storytelling, literary and critical theory, and cinema and video in their course materials and research.

Nationally, there are many departments who have made a conscientious effort to bridge the gap between the Division of Social Sciences and Arts & Humanities by offering courses in both areas. It can also be argued that this addition will aid students’ understanding of the context of human condition. Once accepted in the Division of Arts & Humanities there are faculty members within the department who are interested in developing courses with an arts and humanities grounding.