

Transmittal History for Revision to Popular Culture Studies Minor

Committee on Curriculum and Instruction- Friday, June 12, 2009

Excerpt from Unapproved Minutes

1. Pop Culture Minor Revision (Larry Krissek)
 - These are fast-tracked changes with the approval of the Interdisciplinary Subcommittee Chair (L Krissek) & CCI Chair (C Highley)
 - The CCI Interdisciplinary Subcommittee reviewed this proposal, which has been an existing minor for 3-4 years. It has a 4-credit required course, and a large list of electives. The change is from having 1 core course (ASC 264) to an option of 3 courses (ASC 264, English/Comparative Studies course, Women's Studies 230). Those involved in these courses have talked to one another, to make sure they are offering similar things. There have been staffing issues in offering ASC 264, in terms of making the core course available to students on a regular basis. So, instead of requiring just one course, the option for students is now to take 1 of 3 courses to fulfill the 1-course core.
 - Letter from the Subcommittee stands as a motion to approve; 2nd- Shanda
 - **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**

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4. Pop Culture Studies Minor revision
 - ASC 264, the current required course, has staffing issues so they would like 3 possibilities for their required course- ASC 264, Engl/CS 264, WS 230
 - How different is the ASC course from the Comp Stds course? Is the ASC course as rigorous as the Engl/CS 264?
 - Over the course of time, the cross-listed course has incorporated a number of the ASC 264 elements
 - Permanently, the committee felt they did not want to totally rescind ASC 264 from the minor; they will make a rigorous review of the minor and request that depts. provide syllabi and send depts. a notice to send in any courses that might fit into the minor
 - With a 3-way signal to the student to provide the course, but with only 2 viable options for students, that is the only concern here
 - A growing, popular minor; in existence since about 2006; now has about 65 students currently in the minor
 - Making this step now seems reasonable and with a review coming, why take the class off the books? Better to slide into limbo than remove immediately and permanently
- Watson, Harvey- **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**