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Subject: A&H2 comments on Linguistics BA & Minor  
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Hi, Julie -

Our CCI subcommittee (Arts & Humanities 2) reviewed the BA and minor programs you've been working on. Overall, we thought the two programs looked good, but we had a number of comments (see below), most of which are relatively minor and can be taken care of quickly (I hope). We voted to approve the minor (with some revisions), but not the major. We held off on the major because we weren't sure how you wanted to handle the requirement that there be 30 hours in the major. We made a couple of suggestions, but you may have yet another idea. In any event, as soon as you can get the revised BA back to Valerie or Bernadette, we'll send it out for an electronic vote to the committee members, so I don't anticipate much further delay on our end.

===== subcommittee's comments =====

1. BA Linguistics (Conversion)
2. **Letter from chair should state that the department followed whatever procedure is laid out in their Pattern of Administration for approval of programs.**
3. **Track A: 27 hours for major: should be 30 hours per recent CCI vote on requirements for majors. (Will also need to change this on the Program Request form.) Possible ways to fix problem: take an additional elective course in the major; or put 3 hours that are now in prereq, such as the advanced language course or LING 4550/5551, into the major.**
4. **Under ?2. List of semester courses; Prerequisite course work?: Advanced foreign language class needs to specify that it be taught in the language (if this is indeed the case). GEC should be changed to GE. If this course is moved to the major, will need to specify that it be at the 2000 level or above. It may also be prudent to require advisor approval of the course if it's moved to the major.**
5. **Suggestion: in rationale or letter: Explain difference between tracks A and B + the fact that track B is just advisor-informed (does not appear on transcript).**
6. **Under ?2. List of semester courses; Major core courses?: Some confusion regarding wording used for elective core courses and major elective courses: Rephrase: 2.2 ?Two courses in two distinct areas from the following list? and add in parentheses ?elective core courses.?**
7. **Semester advising sheet:**
  - o **First page: ?The Bachelor of Arts degree requires completion of a minimum of 39 credit hours of upper division coursework?: Suggest taking this sentence out.**
  - o **C. Major Elective Courses: Add information to the following sentence: ?Students following Track A in linguistics must take at least 12 hours of linguistics courses at the 2000 level or higher from those that have not been used to fill a requirement**

- in a.i, b.i, or b.ii.?
- o p. 8: Philosophy 250: should become Philosophy 2500
- o p. 9: add: Psycholinguistics 2701 or H
- o p. 9: Track B: major elective courses: why 6-9 credits? Should probably say ?6.?
- 8. Curriculum sample (pp. 11 & 18-19):
  - o Freshman year heading has been left out.
  - o Issue of 192 quarter hours: should be 182 quarter hours; suggestion: take out one elective in two separate quarters; semester cr for FL should be 4 each (therefore, change first year to 8; sophomore year: change to 4).
- 9. p. 17: Program Transition Plan: C+ should be C-
- 10. p. 18: ?quarter? should be ?semester? in the following sentence that occurs in first and second paragraph: ?If by chance a particular course is not offered during a preferred quarter semester, the student should consult with the Undergraduate Advisor for additional options.?

No vote. Have committee look at documents again when they come back from department & proceed to e-vote then.

1. Linguistics Minor (Conversion)
2. **P. 1: Delete: Bachelor of Arts degree**
3. **Minor advising sheet: The CCI recently voted that, in addition to the requirement that all courses in the minor be at the 2000 level or higher, at least 6 semester hours of course work must be at the 3000 level or higher. Therefore, the minor advising sheet should relay this information to students. If the department wants to require in addition that at least 3 of the upper-level hours be at the 4000 or 5000 level, that is certainly permissible.**
4. **References to GEC need to be changed to GE when talking about semesters.**
5. **Refer students to website ( <http://linguistics.osu.edu/courses>) for complete list of courses that can be taken as electives (again, with reminder that 1000-level courses can't be used).**
6. **At end of advising sheet, replace last sentence with the following: ?All Linguistics courses at the 2000 level or higher that are approved for GE status may be applied to the Linguistics minor.?**

Williams, Hubin, **unanimously approved (with small changes in bold above requested)**

===== end of comments =====

Although we didn't specifically note it, I expect you will also need to update your BA transition plan to agree with whatever changes you make to the major. Also, the revised letter from the chair will need to accompany the minor, too, as I'm sure you realize.

I hope this is all clear, but please let me know if you have any questions.

If you think it may take you some time to get a revised version of the BA back to us, could you let me know? I'd rather proceed with both BA and minor together from here on out, but if there's going to be a significant delay, it may be better at least to keep the minor moving along.

Sincerely,

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