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To: Prof. Alisa Paulsen  
From: James Fredal, CCI Sciences Subcommittee Chair  
RE: Psychology Minor Semester Conversion Proposal

Prof. Paulsen:

The Sciences subcommittee of the Committee on Curriculum and Instruction reviewed the conversion proposal for the Psychology minors at its meeting on December 9, 2010. While all the minors were approved (congratulations!), the committee noticed a problem (actually, three related problems) that will need correction. They concern the General Psychology minor, the Psychology Research Minor, and the Biological Bases of Behavior minor. For each of these minors, the issue stems from the new requirement that, under semesters, all minors must require at least six credits at the 3000 level or above. This requirement is noted in all the Psychology minors except these three. A note could simply be added to these three minors (as it is for the other minors) and/or such a note could be included under the "Requirements for All Psychology Minors" category.

One further problem arises for the General Psychology Minor. In this case, it appears that it is not currently possible for students to take six credits at the 3000+ level since only the one course in the Advanced Requirements is above the 3000 level. You have a few options here: you may petition to have the six credit hour requirement for the minor waived in this case, or you may wish to rethink the course requirement structure to ensure that students in the General Psych minor can take six hours at the 3000+ level.

Because we have already voted to approve the proposal for all the minors, it will advance to the full CCI committee for approval. But since it will be held up there until these issues are addressed, I'd prefer to recommend leaving this proposal off the agenda till we receive a response from you and a new form that shows the corrections.

If you have any other questions or comments, please feel free to contact me.  
Thanks for your patience.

Jim Fredal

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