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Dear Dr. Vankeerbergen,

The Physics Department requests that Physics 2095, Introductory Physics Seminar, be removed from the requirements for a Physics Minor. We have had numerous comments on SEI forms for this course noting that it is largely irrelevant to Physics minors. Perhaps half of the course is focused on what students can do with a degree in Physics, largely aimed at graduate school and employment. Physics minors do not go on to the same graduate programs as Physics majors and do not gain employment in the same industries. The course also introduces students to some of the research going on in the department but this is partially to help students find research opportunities, and Physics minors do not typically do any research in our department.

Sincerely,

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