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To: Meg Daly, Chair of ASCC

From: Carmen Taleghani-Nikazm, Chair of ASCC Arts and Humanities Panel 2

Ref: Approval of revisions to the Persian minor

At the October 3, 2018 meeting, the Arts and Humanities Panel 2 reviewed the proposed revision to the Persian minor in the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures (NELC). The proposed changes are motivated by the recent program review and external reviewers' recommendations. The changes to the Persian minor include: a) moving the non-language literature or culture prerequisite to the requirement for the minor, b) reducing required language courses from three 1000-level courses and three upper-division language courses to three language prerequisites at 1000-level and one intermediate Persian II, and c) allowing students to take more courses in translation and expanding Persian culture and history courses. The proposed revision aims to revitalize the minor, since the program is small and it has been difficult for the department to offer upper level language courses with very low enrollments.

The Panel approved the revision and changes to the minor with contingencies to correct some discrepancies that were found between the ASC advising sheet and the departmental advising sheet. Having satisfied the contingencies, final approval was granted by the chair of the Panel.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Taleghani-Nikazm", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Carmen Taleghani-Nikazm