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Subject: Changes to language requirements for UISP Bachelor of Arts
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Dear Marcus,

On Friday, September 13, the Social and Behavioral Sciences Panel of the ASCC reviewed a proposal to make changes to the language requirements for UISP Bachelor of Arts.

The Panel unanimously approved the request with some contingencies and one strong recommendation:

- Contingencies: Clarify areas of confusion:
 - Throughout the proposal, make sure to replace “pre-requisite” with “co-requisite” & to replace “pre-major requirement” with “degree requirement.” Indeed, the current requirement is neither a prerequisite nor a pre-major requirement.
 - Final sentence of first paragraph: “Beginning Summer 2019, these two previous requirements were joined, and students were given the option of fulfilling their language pre-requisite either through the completion of a minor, or through completion of two years of language study.” This change is being requested & has not been approved yet by the curricular bodies at the college and university levels. Therefore, rephrase “Beginning Summer 2019 were given the option...” to a wording closer to “We would like to join these two previous requirements to give students the option” Furthermore, in that sentence, also add “in a single foreign language” to “through completion of two years of language study.”
 - Instead of “Justification for the Modification ...” header, add language that “It is good to keep the option of a minor because for certain specializations/for certain languages it does make good sense. However, *only* adopting a minor is problematic for the following reasons...”
- Strong recommendation: Please communicate this impending change to all the foreign language departments.

Please know that as soon as we receive the revised submission and Susan Kline (faculty Chair of the SBS Panel) approves it, the request will advance to the full ASC Curriculum Committee. The ASCC is meeting this Friday. If you would like for your proposal to be added to the agenda (which has already gone out), could you please take a few minutes to address the points above & return the proposal to us by tomorrow, or Wednesday at the latest? That will give Susan enough time to look over the revision & write a cover letter for the ASCC. That said, if time is not of the essence & you had rather come at a subsequent ASCC meeting, it is of course perfectly fine to resubmit later.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best,

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