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Associate Professor Alison Crocetta Chair, Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee

Re: Approval of Proposed Minor in LGBTQ+ Studies

Dear Alison,

At its meeting on Wednesday, October 2, the ASCC Arts & Humanities Panel 2 approved unanimously a proposal to create a Minor in LGBTQ+ Studies, to be administered by the Department of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies.

The LGBTQ+ minor replaces the minor in Sexuality Studies now that the Sexuality Studies major has been deactivated. Like that minor, the LGBTQ+ minor will be comprised of coursework that stresses the interdisciplinary study of human sexualities, and in particular non-normative sexualities and the concept of heterosexuality against which they are typically defined. This emphasis is made explicit in the name of the new minor.

We found the proposal to create a new minor in LGBTQ+ Studies a compelling and academically sound curricular adjustment in response to the unfortunate deactivation of the Sexuality Studies Major, and we now therefore advance the proposal to the Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee with a motion to approve.

Best,

Luke Wilson

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Chair, ASCC Arts & Humanities Panel 2