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Associate Professor Brad Steinmetz Chair, Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee

RE: Changes to the French minor

Dear Brad and Members of the Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee,

At its meeting on April 13, 2023, the Arts and Humanities 2 Panel of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed and unanimously approved the following change to the French minor:

 That one of the required four courses, beyond the language prerequisites (1101, 1102, 1103, and 2101), be a 3000-level "content course" taught in French. In other words, students must take at least one course in which the primary focus is French and/or Francophone literature, culture, society, and/or film and not just French language itself (pronunciation, conversation, or grammar).

The primary reason for the proposed change is ensure that students gain a better understanding of human history and culture, and a higher level of intercultural competence. By taking at least one 3000-level "content" course, students will be better prepared for the one 4000 to 5000-level course that is also required for the minor.

Therefore, we advance the proposed revision to the French minor with a motion to approve.

Regards,

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