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To the Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee;

On November 20th, 2023, the Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee's Arts and Humanities Subcommittee 1 reviewed and approved a proposal from the Department of Theatre, Film, and Media Arts to reduce the total credit hour requirement for the Video Arts Minor from 17 credit hours to 15 credit hours.

Specifically, this change would reduce the number of elective hours students need to complete to reach the minimum total credit hours for the minor:

1. Foundation Courses: 3 credit hours
2. Basic Tools and Concepts Courses: 3-7 credit hours
3. Issues and Techniques Courses: 3-7 credit hours
4. Electives: Students complete the remaining credit hours to reach a total of 15 hours for the minor. These courses may be chosen from the list of Elective courses or from courses in the Basic Tools and Concepts and Issues and Techniques categories.

The rationale for this change is that given available courses, students must regularly complete more than 17 credit hours or petition to compete the minor with fewer than 17 credit hours. Many courses are offered infrequently or are in high demand from multiple programs, which limits available options for students to complete the minor. Reducing to 15 total credit hours will help to alleviate these challenges and better align with many minor programs across the college.

We advance the proposal to reduce the total credit hour requirement for the Video Arts Minor from 17 credit hours to 15 credit hours to the Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee with a motion to approve.

Sincerely,

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