



## MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 7, 2018

TO: Matthew Semanoff, Chair, Faculty Senate  
Mark Pershouse, Chair-Elect, Faculty Senate

FROM: Jon Harbor, Executive Vice President & Provost 

RE: Revised set of curricular changes resulting from Instructional Staffing Plan Recommendations

I write to provide an update on progress related to instructional staffing plan recommendations submitted by the deans Oct. 26. Since my last memo dated Oct. 30, I have worked with some deans to finalize these plans. I would like to share with you a revised list of all of the proposed curricular changes that are included in the plans.

### College of Humanities and Sciences

- Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures:
  - Consolidate six majors into one major
  - The department chair writes, "We will become the World Languages and Cultures Department. We will consolidate the six current majors into one major with language concentrations. We will continue to offer language courses to provide our students with foundational skills they need to succeed in the 21st century. We also will restructure major requirements to enhance our cultural and historical course offerings. We will further build on the interdisciplinary collaboration inherent in WLC to offer team-taught courses and high-impact practices for all WLC students. Specifically, we are planning to include a required gateway course, third-year theme-based course, and capstone project/class in the new major. Our course offerings will also integrate more online/hybrid classes, as well as summer offerings, new (summer) study abroad programs, and other immersive opportunities."
- Department of English:
  - Terminate Film Studies Option
- Global Humanities and Religions program:
  - Terminate Global Humanities and Religions B.A. and minor
  - Terminate South and Southeast Asian Studies minor

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- Department of Geography:
  - Terminate the BA and MA in Geography
  - Move the Community and Environmental Planning Option from the BA to the BS
  - Place the Minor in Mountain Studies into moratorium.
- Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry:
  - Degree programs will be modified to reflect some course cancellations

**College of Visual and Performing Arts, School of Music**

- Discontinue MM in Musical Theatre but add an option in Musical Theatre to the existing B.F.A. in Theatre
- Put into moratorium the BM in Organ Performance and Organ instruction as a primary instrument

**College of Health Professions and Biomedical Sciences**

- Put into moratorium the PhD in Materials Science

My office will follow up with the departments listed above to ask them to complete the appropriate documentation for these changes.

JH/cc

CC: Seth Bodnar, President  
 Nathan Lindsay, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs  
 Paul Haber, UFA President  
 Megan Stark, UFA Vice President

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