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Dear Colleagues:

The attached proposal to create a new prefix, QUEC, Quechua, will be an agenda item for the October 17, 2012, Full University Curriculum Committee.

Sincerely,

David E. Shipley, Chair
University Curriculum Committee

cc: Provost Jere W. Morehead
Dr. Laura D. Jolly
October 3, 2012

David Shipley, Chair
University Curriculum Committee
University of Georgia
Office of Vice President for Instruction
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Dear Professor Shipley and Committee Members,

The Latin American and Caribbean Institute (LACSI) is developing a new indigenous languages program. We are beginning with Quechua, and are currently creating language courses in beginning- and intermediate-level Quechua that we plan to begin offering UGA students in fall 2013. Prof. Chad Howe from the Department of Romance Languages has agreed to, and has been authorized to teach the language sequence. Eventually, we plan to expand the course offerings to include advanced-level Quechua courses. It is our goal to ultimately develop an indigenous Latin American studies certificate program for undergraduate students, and Quechua language would be a fundamental part of the certificate. When feasible, we hope to teach other indigenous Latin American languages.

The current “LACS” prefix for courses housed in our department is not suitable for use with language instruction. A prefix that denotes the language being taught is more appropriate, and is the solution of choice for other languages taught at UGA. So, we are requesting permission from the University Curriculum Committee to create a new prefix, “QUEC”, for use with the new courses that we are developing.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Gordon
Director and Professor of Portuguese

Approved by Arts and Sciences Dean’s Office