April 15, 2022

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Dear Colleagues:

The attached proposal from the Franklin College of Arts and Sciences to add a minimum grade requirement to the minor in French Studies will be an agenda item for the April 22, 2022, Full University Curriculum Committee meeting.

Sincerely,

Susan Sanchez, Chair
University Curriculum Committee

cc: Provost S. Jack Hu
    Dr. Marisa Pagnattaro
PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH OR CHANGE THE MINIMUM GRADE REQUIREMENT OF AN UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM

Date: February 28, 2022

School/College: Franklin College of Arts and Sciences

Department/Division: Romance Languages

Program: Minor in French Studies

Proposed Effective Date: Fall 2022

1. Justification: What is the academic justification for instituting the requirement?
   The French Studies minor recognizes both linguistic competence and the acquisition of a body of knowledge about French and Francophone literature, media, culture, and civilization. The department believes that it is only with a grade of “C” or higher in all courses counting toward the minor that students can demonstrate an acceptable minimum of facility in the language as well as an adequate knowledge of related content.

2. Requirements: What specific requirements are proposed?
   All courses used to satisfy the minor requirements must be completed with a grade of “C” (2.0) or higher.

3. Results: How will the proposed requirement solve the academic problems outlined in the justification?
   The proposed requirement, like those for the French minor and French major, will ensure that this minor is awarded to students who demonstrate minimum competence in French and in related content.

4. Consequences of the Requirement
   a. How will this requirement affect the program involved?
      This will bring the French Studies minor into line with the French minor and the French major.
   
   b. What effects are anticipated on other programs within the University? None
   
   c. Are there any other anticipated effects on enrollment patterns within the University?
      No
Minor - French Studies

- A minor must contain at least 9 hours of upper division course work.
- Courses taken to satisfy Core Areas I through V may not be counted as course work in the minor.
- Courses taken in Core Area VI may be counted as course work in the minor.
- All courses used to satisfy the minor requirements must be passed with a grade of “C” (2.0) or better.

Required Courses (6 hours):
FREN 3010 or FREN 3010H
FREN 3020 or FREN 3020H

Choose 3-9 hours from the following courses:
FREN 3030 or FREN 3030H or FREN 3030E*
FREN(DIGI) 3040
FREN 3080 or FREN 3080E
FREN(LING) 3090*
FREN 3100
FREN 3150
FREN 4050
FREN 4060
FREN 4070
FREN 4080
FREN 4120/6120
FREN 4150
FREN(LACS) 4170
FREN 4180 or FREN 4180I
FREN 4300/6300
FREN 4350/6350
FREN 4600/6600
FREN(LING) 4630
FREN(LING) 4800/6800

*FREN 3030 and FREN(LING) 3090 are prerequisites for many upper-division FREN courses.

Choose 0-6 hours from the following courses:
ARHI 4120/6120
ARHI 4510/6510
ARHI 4540/6540
HIST 3381
HIST 3382 or HIST 3382H
HIST 4391/6391
HIST 4392/6392
PHIL 3030
WMST 4140/6140

Other 3000-or higher level courses with predominantly French content subject to approval by Romance Languages faculty.

TOTAL HOURS: 15
Documentation of Approval and Notification

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Proposed Effective Term: Fall 2022

Department:
- Romance Languages Department Head, Dr. Stacey Casado, 3/18/22

School/College:
- Franklin College of Arts and Sciences Associate Dean, Dr. Jean Martin-Williams, 3/28/22