

TO: College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee

FROM: Chris Theo, Chair
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SUBJECT: New 36-credit Emphasis Program in Art History

At its departmental meeting of 19 September 2008, the faculty of the Department of Art & Design approved a proposal to offer a new 36-credit BA/BS degree emphasis area in art history. This emphasis area would become a second option under the 36-credit BA/BS Major: Art, Liberal Arts. We would like to point out that this new emphasis area would require no allocation of new or additional resources and was included in the 2009 PEEQ Self-Study document of the Department of Art & Design, in Part IV.1.a Opportunities Possible via Internal Reallocation. The specific structure regarding distribution of the 36 credits constituting this emphasis area is elucidated on the following pages. Please note that approval of this new emphasis area would necessitate the renaming of the present 36-credit BA/BS Major: Art, Liberal Arts degree program to MAJOR: ART, Liberal Arts—*Studio Emphasis*.

The Department of Art & Design would like to move forward with this proposal, and thus seeks approval from the College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee as the next step in that process. We request therefore that this proposal to create a new 36-credit BA/BS degree emphasis area in art history, along with the title change for the existing 36-credit program, be placed on the agenda of the next available meeting of the College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee.

Thank you.