REPORT FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

University Senate Committee: Academic Policies Committee

Brief History of Issue - why the issue is being considered:

The Department of Languages is proposing changing the name of a minor from Russia and East European Studies Minor, Liberal Arts (Code 331-402) to European Studies Minor, Liberal Arts (Code 331-XXX). This name change reflects changing understandings of Europe following the conclusion of the cold war and broadens the minor to include studies throughout Europe. Curricular changes to the program have already been approved by the College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee and did not require action above that level of approval. This proposal brings the minor name into alignment with the recent changes in the curriculum.

Points Discussed by Committee:

The distinction between East and West no longer makes sense in consideration of the new political realities in Europe.

Pros of Recommendation:

1. Broadens the course offerings within the minor to include the study of all of Europe and this should make it easier for students to complete the minor.
2. Since the currently approved curriculum includes all of Europe the name should parallel the curriculum.

Cons of Recommendation:
None

Technology/Human Resource Impact:
None

Committee Recommendation:
Department of Languages should change the name of the Minor: Russia and East European Minor, Liberal Arts (Code 331-402) to Minor: European Studies, Liberal Arts (Code 331-XXX).
MOTION FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

The University Senate Committee: Academic Policies Committee

by a vote of ___ for to ___ against on February 14, 2017 (Date)

Recommends that:

The Department of Languages should change the name of the Minor: Russia and East European, Liberal Arts (Code 331-402) to Minor: European Studies, Liberal Arts (Code 331-XXX).

Implementation Date: 17/18 catalog

Signed: ______________________________________
Chair of the Committee

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