REPORT FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

University Senate Committee: Academic Policies Committee

Brief History of Issue - why the issue is being considered:
The Music Theory Comprehensive Major program has been highly underpopulated. In addition, the site
visitors from the National Association of Schools of Music identified deficiencies in the program that
would prevent it from being accredited by the organization. Due to resource limitations, the need for
additional classes which would be small enrollment, and the general interest of the students, adjustment
to meet the accreditation requirements would be unrealistic. For these reasons, we are proposing
elimination of the program rather than suspension.

Points Discussed by Committee:
1. No students are currently in the program so there is no need for a teach-out plan for continuing
   students.
2. Accreditation would require adding new resources to the existing program.
3. Demand data suggests that this is not a temporary lull so elimination seems more appropriate than
   suspension.
4. Students can still take the music theory courses in combination with another major.

Pros of Recommendation:
Eliminates a program that is seriously underpopulated.

Cons of Recommendation:
None

Technology/Human Resource Impact:
None

Committee Recommendation:
Elimination of the Comprehensive Major: Music Theory
MOTION FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

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by a vote of ___6__ for to ___0__ against on April 18, 2017 (Date)

Recommends that:

Implementation Date: 18/19 catalog

Signed: ________________________________
Chair of the Committee

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