

REPORT FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

University Senate Committee: Academic Policies Committee

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

The Latin American Studies Program is requesting a rename to their program and corresponding offerings. The changes involve the addition of Latinx to all overall program and of our majors, minor and certificate. The decision to change the name of our overall program arises both from our own experience and thoughts about our program identity over the past few years and from comments and observations made by our external reviewer during our 2018-19 program review.

FROM: The Latin American Studies Program

TO: The Latin American and Latinx Studies Program

FROM: Major: Latin American Studies, Liberal Arts, Language Emphasis (Code 340-203)

TO: Major: Latin American and Latinx Studies, Liberal Arts, Language Emphasis (Code XXX-XXX)

FROM: Major: Latin American Studies, Liberal Arts, Culture and Society Emphasis (Code 340-205)

TO: Major: Latin American and Latinx Studies, Liberal Arts, Culture and Society Emphasis (Code XXX-XXX)

FROM: Minor: Latin American Studies, Liberal Arts (Code 340-402)

TO: Minor: Latin American and Latinx Studies, Liberal Arts (Code XXX-XXX)

FROM: Certificate: Latin American Studies (Code 340-601)

TO: Certificate: Latin American and Latinx Studies (Code XXX-XXX)

Points Discussed by Committee:

1. Reluctancy of addition of “Latinx” because the program focuses on more than ethnic studies.
2. Impact on recruitment of students to the major.
3. Selection of “Latinx” term vs. others.

Pros of Recommendation:

The requested name change reflects what is already being done.

Cons of Recommendation:

none

Technology/Human Resource Impact:

None

Committee Recommendation:

The committee approved the rename of the Latin American Studies and corresponding offerings.

MOTION FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

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by a vote of 7 for to 0 against on November 19, 2019 (Date)

Recommends that:

The rename of the Latin American Studies program and corresponding offerings listed below starting 2020-2021 AY.

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Implementation Date: 20/21 catalog

Signed: _____
Chair of the Committee

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