

**TO:** Academic Policies Committee

**FROM:** College of Education and Human Sciences

**DATE:** December 6, 2019

**RE:** Suspend Standard Major and Eliminate Minor

We request that you consider placing this curricular item on your earliest possible agenda.

Name of Program: Major: English, Standard Major - Teaching  
Minor: English, Early Adolescence/Adolescence, Minor

Program Code 540-210  
540-408

Date of Department/Program Approval — November 22, 2019  
Date of CoEHS Curriculum Committee Approval – December 6, 2019  
Date of CoEHS College Approval – December 6, 2019

**From Current Catalog Web Page:**

<https://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/english/english-major-t-ba/>  
<https://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/english/english-minor-eaat/>

**To:** Suspend Major  
Eliminate Minor

**Rationale:** The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction has changed licensure standards for English and language arts teachers to include outcomes related to media and communication studies (i.e., adding communication and journalism course requirements). We do not see a way that we can offer the necessary courses to effectively prepare English teachers to meet DPI guidelines under a standard 36-credit major at this time.

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courses to effectively prepare English teachers to meet DPI guidelines under a 24-credit minor.