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/

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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.