Proposal to the Senate Educational Policy Committee

PROPOSAL TITLE: Revision of the Graduate Minor in Global Studies

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION: The Graduate Minor in Global Studies, established in 2013, enables graduate students in a variety of graduate programs to develop an awareness and knowledge of globalization and how it affects the world’s populations. Currently, students in the minor take one required course, GLBL 500, Global Society, and then select two additional courses, one at the 500-level, chosen in consultation with the Director of the Center for Global Studies. The proposed revision adds a second option to the required GLBL 500: students will be able to choose either GLBL 500 or a new course, GLBL 501, Perspectives on Global Studies. Students would still be able to select two additional courses, and the total hours required for the minor (12) remain unchanged.

JUSTIFICATION: This course provides students with an alternative to GLBL 500, Global Society. While GLBL 500 is problem-oriented, focusing on the governance of the global society, GLBL 501 is more analytical and methodological in focus, providing graduate and professional students with the skills necessary for conducting research under the changing conditions of globalization. Students pursuing the minor will therefore be able to take either GLBL 500 or 501, and then go on to select two additional courses in consultation with the Director of the Center for Global Studies.

BUDGETARY AND STAFF IMPLICATIONS: No new resources are required; the Center for Global Studies will alternate offering GLBL 500 and GLBL 501.

DESIRED EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon approval.
Graduate Minor in Global Studies

There are no prerequisites for the Graduate Minor. Students must be in good standing as a graduate student and should demonstrate an interest in globalization and the issues that this process poses for the world’s populations. Students must submit an online Graduate Student Request form through the Graduate College, indicating the courses that the student proposes to enroll in, and a brief statement outlining the relation of the Graduate Minor to the student’s degree and career objectives. The student’s department must review the request and approval signatures must be provided by the student’s primary advisor and departmental authorized signatory. For the Graduate Minor in Global Studies, students must complete one of two core courses, either GLBL 500 or GLBL 501 (4 hours). Students must also complete two additional courses (8 hours) relevant to the student’s proposed minor as approved by the Director of the Center for Global Studies. There is no language requirement for the Minor, but advanced language competence is strongly encouraged.

| GLBL 500  | Global Society |
| GLBL 501  | Perspectives on Global Studies |

Two courses relevant to a student’s proposed minor as approved by the Director of the Center for Global Studies. At least one the courses must be at the 500-level and only one can be from the student’s home department.

| Total Hours | 12 |

Other Requirements

In addition to the minor requirements, students must also complete the requirements of their major degree.

Hours counted toward completion of a minor may only be applied toward another transcripted credential at the discretion of the major department.

For additional details and requirements refer to the unit’s web site and the Graduate College Handbook.
CLEARANCES:

Signatures:

Unit Representative: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

Karen McCann

College Representative: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

Graduate College Representative: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________
August 18, 2016

Bettina Francis, Chair
Senate Committee on Educational Policy
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Dear Professor Francis:

Enclosed is a copy of a proposal from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences to revise the Graduate Minor in Global Studies.

Sincerely,

Kathryn A. Martensen
Assistant Provost

Enclosures

c: K. Carney
   A. Elli
   Z. Gille
   J. Hart
   A. McKinney
April 15, 2016

Wojtek Chodzko-Zajko
Dean, Graduate College
204 Coble Hall MC-322

Dear Dean Chodzko-Zajko:

The Committee on Courses and Curricula, on behalf of the Faculty of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences has voted to approve the following proposal:

**Revision of the Graduate Minor in Global Studies**

Please let me know if you have any questions on this proposal. This proposal is now ready for review by the Graduate College for proposed implementation upon approval.

Sincerely,

Karen M. Carney
Associate Dean

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C: Professor Zsuzsa Gille