To be adopted:

Proposed Changes to Liberal Studies Major

PRESENT: PROPOSED:

Major Requirements [no change]
The major requirements for the B.A. degree in Liberal Studies are as follows:

1. Lower-division requirements (20 courses [at least 80 units]). Courses can be used to fulfill college breadth requirements.

   a) Science and Mathematics (6 courses [at least 24 units]): BIOL 002, BIOL 003, GEO 002, one course in physics, one course in chemistry, and one of MATH 004, MATH 005, MATH 008A, or MATH 015.

   b) Humanities and Fine Arts (7 courses [at least 28 units]): CPLT 017A, DNCE 005, RLST 012/ETST 012, one of ART 001, ART 002, or ART 005, one of MUS 006/ANTH 006 or MUS 014/ETST 014/URST 014, one of ENGL 014 or ENGL 020B, and one of CRWT 056, THEA 010, or THEA 070.

   c) History and Social Science (8 courses [at least 32 units]): ANTH 001, HIST 010, HIST 015, HIST 017A, LING 020, POSC 010, SOC 001, WMST 001

2. Upper-division requirements: 8 courses (at least 32 units).

   a) One course in American Literature from: ENGL 130, ENGL 131, ENGL 132, ENGL 133, ENGL 134, ENGL 136T, ENGL 137T, ENGL 138A, ENGL 138B, ENGL 138T
b) One course in Ethnicity or Gender from:
- ETST 100, ETST 101A, ETST 102, ETST 111, ETST 121, ETST 131, WMST 100,
- WMST 101, WMST 108/PHIL 108, WMST 126/ANTH 177/MUS 126, WMST 132/HISA 132, WMST 149/ANTH 149, WMST 161

c) One course in United States History or United States Government from:

d) One Course in Communication Studies from:

f) Three additional courses from the areas above.

3. Education Component: 5 courses (at least 18 units): EDUC 100B, EDUC 109, EDUC 139, EDUC 172, EDUC 177A

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**JUSTIFICATION:**

The undergraduate level courses offered by the GSOE have undergone revision for both budgetary and programmatic reasons. Four courses previously required for the Liberal Studies Major have been affected. EDUC 100B and EDUC 139 were removed from the schedule effective 2009 and so need to be replaced. EDUC 172 and 177A have been revised to focus specifically on reading instruction and RICA preparation that is aligned with the post-baccalaureate credential program and may be less suited to undergraduate students. The courses that are proposed to replace these 16 units are appropriate for undergraduate students, serve as preparation for the credential program for interested candidates, and allow flexibility in meeting the 18 unit requirement.

All courses are verified active, that not active has been proposed for removal.
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**APPROVALS:**

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