EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES, ARTS, AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

REPORT TO THE RIVERSIDE DIVISION
MAY 23, 2017

To be adopted:

Proposed Changes to the English Major

PRESENT:
The major requirements for the B.A. in English are as follows:

1. ENGL 20A, ENGL 20B, and ENGL 20C (15 units). These courses are normally required of all English majors as a prerequisite to upper division courses.

2. ENGL 102 (4 units), or 102W (4 units). This course should normally be taken prior to or concurrently with the student’s first upper-division English course.

Include at least one course (in bold) that deals with race and ethnicity (within requirements 3 and 4):

3. Four courses (16 units); one course from each of the following areas.

a) English Literature to 1660: ENGL 117A, ENGL 117B, ENGL 117C, ENGL 117T, ENGL 128E, ENGL 128F, ENGL 128G, ENGL 129A, ENGL 147F, ENGL 147S, ENGL 148Q, ENGL 149, ENGL 151A, ENGL 151B, ENGL 151T, ENGL 152, ENGL 153, ENGL 154


c) American Literature to 1900: ENGL 120A, ENGL 126A, ENGL 127A, ENGL 128O, ENGL 128Q, ENGL 130, ENGL 131, ENGL 132, ENGL 138A, ENGL 147M, ENGL 148W

PROPOSED:
The major requirements for the B.A. in English are as follows:

1. ENGL 20A, ENGL 20B, and ENGL 20C (15 units). These courses are normally required of all English majors as a prerequisite to upper division courses. (No change)

2. ENGL 102 (4 units), or 102W (4 units). This course should normally be taken prior to or concurrently with the student’s first upper-division English course. (No change)

Include at least one course (in bold) that deals with race and ethnicity (within requirements 3 and 4): (No change)

3. Four courses (16 units); one course from each of the following areas. (No change)

a) English Literature to 1660: ENGL 117A, ENGL 117B, ENGL 117C, ENGL 117T, ENGL 128E, ENGL 128F, ENGL 128G, ENGL 129A, ENGL 147F, ENGL 147S, ENGL 148Q, ENGL 149, ENGL 151A, ENGL 151B, ENGL 151T, ENGL 152, ENGL 153, ENGL 154 (No change)


c) American Literature to 1900: ENGL 120A, ENGL 126A, ENGL 127A, ENGL 128O, ENGL 128Q, ENGL 130, ENGL 131, ENGL 132, ENGL 138A, ENGL 147M, ENGL 148W (No change)

4. One course (4 units) on literature and related fields, including theory, or on a literary theme or genre, postcolonial literature, literature and gender, or literature and sexuality, to be chosen from among the following: **ENGL 100 (E-Z), ENGL 101, ENGL 104, ENGL 121(E-Z), ENGL 122 (E-Z), ENGL 123A, ENGL 123B, ENGL 124A, ENGL 124B, ENGL 127T, ENGL 140 (E-Z), ENGL 141(E-Z), ENGL 142 (E-Z), ENGL 143 (E-Z), ENGL 144 (E-Z), ENGL 145 (E-Z)/MCS 145 (E-Z), ENGL 146 (E-Z)/MCS 146 (E-Z), ENGL 179A, ENGL 179B, ENGL 179T**

5. **Six additional upper-division English courses (24 units). Only 4 units from either ENGL 103 or any upper-division Creative Writing course will be accepted toward the fulfillment of this requirement. Four units of ENGL 190 may be counted toward this requirement. Proposals for ENGL 190 must be approved by a sponsoring faculty member and the department chair. If the student wishes to offer units from ENGL 190 as part of the 24 units, a copy of an approved petition will be placed in the student’s file.**

6. **Four additional upper-division English courses (16 units). Only 4 units from either ENGL 103 or any upper-division Creative Writing course will be accepted toward the fulfillment of this requirement. Four units of ENGL 190 may be counted toward this requirement. Proposals for ENGL 190 must be approved by a sponsoring faculty member and the department chair. If the student wishes to offer units from ENGL 190 as part of the 16 units, a copy of an approved petition will be placed in the student’s file.**

**Total units in major: 59 units, of which at least 15 units and no more than 20 units must be at the lower-division level.**

Students are encouraged to take at least one of the following as a college breadth requirement or as an elective: **CLA 027A, CLA 027B, CLA 040; CPLT 017A, CPLT 017B, CPLT 017C; ETST 114, ETST 120, ETST 124, ETST 138,**

**Total units in major: 63 units, of which at least 15 units and no more than 20 units must be at the lower-division level.**

(No change)
ETST 170/WRLT 170, ETST 183; or any literature course in a language other than English. Students are also encouraged to take a course in British or American history, such as HIST 017A, HIST 017B, HISE 150, HISE 151, HISE 152.

Each student works with the Undergraduate Academic Advisor and the Faculty Advisor for help in shaping a program and following it through to graduation. Students should see the advisors on a regular basis, normally once per quarter prior to registration. Information about times and meeting places for advisors is posted online and is available in the department office from the undergraduate academic advisor.

**Justification:**
The Department of English has reorganized its major to accommodate a required Capstone Seminar for all majors. This change is partly in response to our last Undergraduate Program Review asking for small class offerings for our students, who found themselves in larger classes than in comparable institutions. As part of this reorganization, the number of "additional upper division units" (courses not specifically covering required periods, required approaches or required themes) was reduced from 6 courses to 5 courses. In response to a UCOP request to reduce the overall unit requirement to fewer than 45 units, we reduced the requirement in this optional area further to four courses, thus bringing the required upper division units to 44 units, below the 45 unit target.

All of the courses listed have been verified and are active. Courses that have been deleted from the UCR Catalog have been removed from the English major requirements.

**Approvals:**
Approved by the faculty of the Department of English: April 4, 2016
Approved by the Executive Committee of the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences: October 12, 2016
Approved by the Committee on Educational Policy: April 17, 2017