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**COMMITTEE ON FACULTY WELFARE**

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To: Dylan Rodriguez  
Riverside Division Academic Senate

From: Daniel Jeske, Chair   
Committee on Faculty Welfare

Re: Proposal for Gender Studies Breadth Requirement

The Faculty Welfare Committee has met and discussed the proposal for a Gender and Sexualities Breadth Requirement. We support the proposal, subject to some pause that recognizes that it may compromise the number of choices students have to pursue their unique interests via breadth requirements. Two tactical questions came up that might be addressed:

1. Could an analysis be undertaken to ascertain what percentage of students will be impacted by such a change? For example, what percentage of students in a given previous cohort would have satisfied this proposed new requirement?
2. The second ad-hoc committee seems to have done a great job inspecting the proposed list of qualifying courses, but we did wonder how many of them had onerous pre-requisites that would render them unviable?