To be adopted:

Proposed Changes to Media and Cultural Studies Major

PRESENT:  
Major Requirements
1. Lower-division requirements (5 lower-division courses [at least 20 units]):

a) MCS 001

Students are required to take MCS 001 and must receive a “C-/above” in this course to declare MCS as their major. The department will consider grade petitions on a case-by-case basis.

b) Any 3 of the following 5 courses

ART 004/MCS 004, MCS 005, MCS 010, MCS 020, AHS 020/MCS 023

b) Any 3 of the following 6 courses:

MCS 002, ART 004/MCS 004, MCS 005, MCS 010, MCS 015, MCS 020, AHS 020/MCS 023

c) One additional course (at least 4 units) from the following:

ART 006/MCS006, MCS 009/MUS 007, MCS 015, CPLT 021/MCS021, AST 022/JPN 022/MCS 022, GER 045/MCS 042, MCS 043/RUSN 045, ART 045/MCS 044, FREN 045/MCS 045, MCS 046/SPN 046, AST 047/KOR 047/MCS 047, AST 064/MCS 049/VNM 064, CRWT 066/MCS 066/TFDP 066

[no change]

c) One additional course (at least 4 units) from the following:

ART 006/MCS006, MCS 009/MUS 007, MCS 015, CPLT 021/MCS021, AST 022/JPN 022/MCS 022, GER 045/MCS 042, MCS 043/RUSN 045, ART 045/MCS 044, FREN 045/MCS 045, MCS 046/SPN 046, AST 047/KOR 047/MCS 047, AST 064/MCS 049/VNM 064, CRWT 066/MCS 066/TFDP 066

[no change]

2. Upper-division requirements (minimum 9 upper-division courses [at least 36 units]):

a) 6 upper division MCS courses (strongly recommended to be taken with MCS faculty) chosen from [24 units total]: MCS 102, ANTH 103/MCS 103, ENGL 104/MCS 104, MCS 105, MCS 106, MCS 107, MCS 110 (E-Z), MCS 111, GSST 112/LGBS 112/MCS 112, CPLT 134/

a) 6 upper division MCS courses (strongly recommended to be taken with MCS faculty) chosen from [24 units total]: MCS 102, ANTH 103/MCS 103, ENGL 104/MCS 104, MCS 105, MCS 106, MCS 107, MCS 108, MCS 109, MCS 110 (E-Z), MCS 111, GSST 112/LGBS 112/MCS 112, CPLT 134/GER 134/JPN 134/MCS

b) Majors are encouraged to take one production course but it is not required. ART 140, ART 145, ART 146 (E-Z), ART 155/MCS 155, ART 167, ART 168, ART 169 (EZ), ART 175, MCS1981, TFDP 101, TFDP 109, TFDP 132, TFDP 133, TFDP 135, TFDP 138, TFDP 145, TFDP 155, TFDP 156A, TFDP 156B, TFDP 157, TFDP 166A, TFDP 166B, TFDP 166C, TFDP 167, TFDP 168, TFDP 169, TFDP 172, TFDP 173 (E-Z), MCS 174 (E-Z), MCS 177, MCS 178, MCS 179, MCS 180, MCS 181, MCS 184, MCS 185, MCS 186, MCS 187, MCS 188, MCS 190, MCS 193

3 elective upper division courses [12 units total]. Majors are encouraged to take one production course but it is not required. ART 140, ART 145, ART 146 (E-Z), ART 155/MCS 155, ART 167, ART 168, ART 169 (EZ), ART 175, MCS1981, TFDP 101, TFDP 109, TFDP 132, TFDP 133, TFDP 135, TFDP 138, TFDP 145, TFDP 155, TFDP 156A, TFDP 156B, TFDP 157, TFDP 166A, TFDP 166B, TFDP 166C, TFDP 167, TFDP 168, TFDP 169

b) No more than four units of MCS 190 or MCS 193 and a total of four units of MCS 198-I may be applied towards the minimum requirement.

c) No more than four units of MCS 190 and a total of four units of MCS 198-I may be applied towards the minimum requirement.

Justification:
Major, 1b MCS 002, MCS 015 added to lower-division electives for field coverage.
Major, 2a courses added to reflect actual catalog of courses, individual courses in E-Z sequences deleted to eliminate redundancy. NB: course changes/new courses are already approved in CRAMS and in catalog, just not in major & minor description.

Major, 2b changed to clarify major requirements so that student audit conforms to actual requirements. Major, text at the end of 2: cut, to eliminate confusing duplication of text immediately preceding.

**Approvals:**

Approved by the faculty of the Department of Media and Cultural Studies: October 30, 2020
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