19 May 2015

Dean William Blomquist
School of Liberal Arts

Dear Dean Blomquist:

What follows is a summary of the work of the Liberal Arts Graduate Curriculum Committee for the 2014-15 school year. The committee members were Catherine Dobris; John McCormick; Henry Mak; Nancy Robertson, Council Rep.; and Thomas J. Davis, SLA Administrative Rep. Candice Smith assisted with administrative duties on our committee. I served as chair.

The Committee reviewed and moved forward fourteen new course and course change requests from five different departments. These courses included: Museum Studies -- MSTD-A509, A511, A513, A517, A521, A531, A540; World Languages and Cultures - - SPAN-S508; English -- ENG-G013/513, G020/520; Communication Studies -- Comm-C700, C810; American Studies -- AMST 601, 602.

The Department of Journalism submitted a proposal, which we approved, to make a minor credit hour change to their MA Degree in Public Relations, from 34-36 Credits to 33 Credits required for the degree.

The Committee spent an inordinate amount of time reviewing, and providing feedback on, several drafts of a proposal for an Applied PhD in American Studies. We approved this proposal in February and presented it to the Faculty Assembly at the March 2015 meeting. The proposal was unanimously approved and sent to the Graduate School for the next stage of review.

There are no outstanding items.

Sincerely,

Carrie E. Foote, Associate Professor of Sociology

Chair, SLA Graduate Curriculum Committee