MEMO: Small changes to the German Program requirements.

We are foreseeing a definite challenge in German with our upper-level courses. I currently have two on the schedule, G300 and G340/G445 combined. We have regularly offered two upper-division courses each fall. However, I am pretty certain we can only fill one upper-division course this fall, given the current situation as well as the fact that we have several majors graduating this spring.

G 300 was made a required course for the major and minor a few years ago and we have offered it every Fall semester, usually with an enrollment of 12-15 students. This Fall we also have G340/G445 on the schedule. A 400-level language course is a requirement for the major. We do have a few students who need such a course during the upcoming academic year.

I have discussed this situation with Thorsten who will be program director starting this Fall. We would like to add G 340 as an alternate course to be accepted for the Major or Minor, therefore adding a second option. Both G 300 and G 340 are considered general language courses (as compared to the other 300-level courses in our Program that are specialized in business German, translation, film studies, etc.). Once enrollment goes up again in the future, we can hopefully offer G300 again on a regular basis but for the foreseeable future the students will need options. It is highly possible that this situation will not get better that fast.

Therefore, we would like to amend our German Major/Minor requirement as follows:

**MINOR**

Current requirement are 15 credits, to include the following:

-2nd year German  (G203, G204)

-G300 (5th semester German)

-additional credits at 300/400-level, in courses taught in German

**New proposal**

15 credits, to include the following:

-2nd year German  (G203, G204)

-G300  **or** G340 (Schreiben und Sprechen)

-additional credits at 300/400-level, in courses taught in German

For the **Major**, it would be the same change, i.e. to add G340 as an option to G300. No further changes.