PROPOSAL TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY TO ESTABLISH OR MODIFY AN UNDERGRADUATE MINOR

PROPOSAL TITLE: Establish an Interdisciplinary Minor in Medieval Studies in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Sponsor: Charles D. Wright
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Director, Program in Medieval Studies
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College Sponsor: Associate Dean Karen Carney, College of Liberal Arts and Science, kmcarney@illinois.edu, 3-1350

Description: The proposal is for a new Interdisciplinary Minor in Medieval Studies, to complement the comprehensive revision of the existing Medieval Civilization Concentration in LAS. (A proposal for a revised and renamed Medieval Studies concentration within the BALAS in Interdisciplinary Studies is being submitted concurrently). The requirements of the new Minor mirror those of the revised Concentration (except for the “capstone experience” required only in the Concentration), with proportional reduction in the number of hours in each distribution requirement, for a total of 21 hours.

Justification: The Program in Medieval Studies has recently expanded its focus from coverage of medieval Europe and Byzantium to include other medieval cultures across the globe. Our Program has been a leader in the “global turn” in Medieval Studies, and our proposed new curricula are designed to reflect this global disciplinary reconfiguration of the field.

Medieval Studies is an interdisciplinary Program with only affiliated faculty, all of whom have 0% appointments. Since we do not have the ability to staff courses of our own, our new Minor, like the revised Concentration, must be built around existing courses taught by medievalists in their home departments.

Budgetary and Staff Implications:
   a. Additional staff and dollars needed. None. All courses in the new Minor and revised Concentration already exist and are taught by faculty in the controlling
departments that participate in the Program. The total number of anticipated majors and minors will not require additional sections of required or elective courses (see c. below).

b. Internal reallocations. None.

c. Effect on course enrollment in other units. We anticipate a cohort of approximately 15-20 minors (and 6-8 majors). Because the total number of expected majors and minors is relatively small, and the range of courses available to fulfill each distribution requirement is substantial, we do not anticipate that additional sections of any courses will be necessary to accommodate them. Only one course (ENGL 202, crosslisted with MDVL 201 and CWL 253) is specifically required for all majors and minors, and this course is offered every semester by the English Department. Four English faculty are in the rotation to teach this course, and as revised it can also be taught by medievalist faculty in other participating departments. None of the required or elective cross-listed MDVL courses is restricted by the controlling department to its own majors. Letters of support from all participating departments and Colleges are attached. Advising and administration of the revised Concentration and new Minor will be the responsibility of the Director of the Program, the four faculty members of the Program Advisory Committee, and the secretarial staff assigned to Medieval Studies by the School of Languages, Cultures, and Linguistics, so participating units will incur no new obligations or responsibilities.

d. Impact on the University Library. None.

e. Impact on computer use, laboratory use, equipment, etc. None.

Requirements: The new Minor requires an introductory (200-level) survey of global medieval literatures and cultures, and one geographical distribution course (100- or 200-level) in each of three main geographical regions: Europe; East Asia; and Central Asia, South Asia, and the Middle East. Advanced coursework (9 hours) allows a student to focus on a particular region (such as East Asia) and/or area of study (such as medieval literature).

Prerequisites for the minor:
There are no prerequisites.

Expected enrollment in the minor:
15-20 minors in a three-year cohort.

Admission to the minor:
Admission to the minor will be monitored by the Director of the Program in Medieval Studies.

Minor advisor:
Advising and administration of the Minor will be the responsibility of the Director of the Program, the four faculty members of the Program Advisory Committee, and the
secretarial staff assigned to Medieval Studies by the School of Literatures, Cultures, and Linguistics

Certification of successful completion:
Students enrolling in the minor will be assigned a faculty advisor who will be responsible for monitoring the student’s progress towards completion of the minor and working with the college to certify the student’s successful completion.
CLEARANCES:

Head/chair of the sponsoring department or unit:

Dean of the college of the sponsoring department or unit:

Chair, Senate Educational Policy Committee:

Desired Effective Date: Fall 2014.
Statement for Programs of Study Catalog:

Interdisciplinary Minor in Medieval Studies

This minor introduces students to medieval (ca. 500- ca. 1500 CE) cultures across the world, providing them with an understanding of periods and movements, institutions, material culture, ideas, beliefs, and values of the diverse cultures that comprise the medieval globe. The coursework spans both geographical regions and disciplines to introduce students to the breadth of medieval cultures as well as to the diversity of methods and perspectives for their study.

The minor includes a minimum of 21 hours, divided into (I) an introductory course in global medieval literatures and cultures; (II) geographical distribution coursework as specified below; and (III) advanced medieval coursework selected by the student in consultation with a faculty advisor. 3 hours of appropriate language study can be applied to the Additional Medieval Studies Coursework.

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### Additional Medieval Studies Coursework

Medieval-related coursework from participating departments selected in consultation with the minor advisor. At least 6 hours must be at the 300- or 400-level. A list of courses is maintained on the Medieval Studies Program website. 3 hours of appropriate language study can be applied to meet this requirement with approval of the Director of the Program in Medieval Studies.

### Total Hours

1. A student may substitute the “Medieval World” section of HIST 100, Global History, by petition to the Director of Medieval Studies. Only the section of HIST 100 devoted to the Middle Ages may be substituted.
2. A student may substitute 3 hours in geographical distribution coursework with a course on the medieval civilizations of the Americas: ANTH 277-Ancient Cities, Sacred Land or ANTH 278- Climate Change & Civilization.
## Appendix A

**List of Medieval Studies Courses that can be used to satisfy the 9 hour Additional Medieval Studies Coursework requirement.** Other courses on medieval topics may be used with approval of the Director of the Program in Medieval Studies.

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Karen Carney  
Associate Dean  
College of Liberal Arts and Science  
2090 Lincoln Hall  
MC-448

Dear Dean Carney:

Thank you for giving the University Library the opportunity to review the College of Liberal Arts and Science's proposal to the Senate Committee on Educational Policy to establish an Interdisciplinary Minor in Medieval Studies. Based upon the proposal sent to the Library on October 3, 2013, we anticipate that there will be little to no impact on the Library with respect to collections. In terms of operational impact, we consider this to be minimal as well.

Sincerely,

John P. Wilkin  
Juanita J. and Robert E. Simpson  
Dean of Libraries and University Librarian

c: Thomas Teper  
Amy Lawrence Elli
Request for approval of ANTH courses in new Medieval Studies curricula

Gottlieb, Alma J

Sent: Thursday, March 07, 2013 11:24 PM
To: Wright, Charles D
Cc: Davis, Laura; Orta, Andrew; Andy Orta [andyorta@illinois.edu]; Tim Pauketat [pauketat@uiuc.edu]

Hello,

Many thanks for having contacted me about this, and I'm sorry I didn't reply right away. I wanted to check with our Undergraduate Advisor first. I've now done this, and we are delighted with your scenario. All three of the courses you've identified are still actively taught, and in fact ANTH 277 will be taught next fall (by Prof Tim Pauketat). (I am cc-ing him on this message.) Your students are welcome to enroll in any of these courses as long as there are places available in the online registration system—we don't have any restrictions on registration just for ANTH majors placed on these courses.

Thanks again once again for your interest in our curriculum. We look forward to seeing some of your students in these courses!

All best,

Alma Gottlieb

Dr. Alma Gottlieb
Director, Undergraduate Program in Anthropology
Professor of Anthropology, African Studies, Gender and Women's Studies, and Global Studies
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Undergrad program page: http://www.anthro.illinois.edu/programs/undergrad/

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Wright, Charles D" <cdwright@illinois.edu>
Subject: Request for approval of ANTH courses in new Medieval Studies curricula
Date: March 6, 2013 8:53:25 AM CST
To: "Gottlieb, Alma J" <aigottli@illinois.edu>

Alma Gottlieb
Director of Undergraduate Studies
Dear Alma,

The Program in Medieval Studies is proposing a thorough revision of our current Major (an LAS Interdisciplinary Studies Concentration) as well as a new Minor. The proposed new Major and Minor (attached) are intended to reflect our disciplinary expansion as a global program embracing the study of non-European “medieval” cultures.

As part of our proposals for the new Major and Minor, we are also required to submit approvals from each Department that controls courses included in these curricula, specifying that there are no significant access issues that would affect the ability of potential Medieval Studies majors and minors to enroll in them. We are estimating that, after the new curricula have been established, we will eventually have a three-year cohort of about 6-8 majors and 15-20 minors.

The following courses controlled by your unit are listed among those that would fulfill requirements within the new Major and Minor:

ANTH 275 World of Jewish Sepharad
ANTH 277 Ancient Cities, Sacred Land
ANTH 278 Climate Change & Civilization

I hope that you will be able to provide at your earliest convenience approval for your unit (a brief email addressed to me will suffice) for the inclusion in our Major and Minor of the courses listed above.

If there are any access restrictions that might affect the availability of this course to Medieval Studies majors and minors, I would be grateful if you can alert me.

Thanks very much for your help. Let me know if you have any questions about the proposed new curricula in your Department.

Cordially,

Charlie

Charles D. Wright
Director, Program in Medieval Studies
Department of English, UIUC
608 S. Wright St. M/C 718
RE: request for approval for use of ANTH 376, 449, and 459 in new Medieval Studies curricula

Farnell, Brenda M

Sent: Sunday, September 15, 2013 4:06 PM
To: Wright, Charles D
Cc: Orta, Andrew; Harmon, Karla J

Dear Prof Wright:

I have an update on the courses you wish to list under Medieval Studies:

ANTH 449  North America Archaeology
ANTH 459  The Ancient Maya
ANTH 278  Climate Change and Civilization - who teaches this? When was it last taught?

These 3 courses are fine. Profs. Pauketat and Lucero are also pleased to hold 0% appointments in the program.

ANTH 376 (Aztec Civilizations): We have no one teaching this course at present and it is on our list for potential removal. I expect to be able to provide a definitive answer on this course later this month.

The following two courses are problematic:

ANTH 275  The World of Jewish Sepharad.
Aside from a brief preamble about Medieval Spain under Islamic rule, the course is mostly about modernity.

ANTH 288  American Indians of Illinois. Likewise, aside from brief critical attention to Cahokia in the context of contemporary representations and a critique of the construction of archaeological knowledge, the course has nothing to do with "Medieval." The archaeology course (499) is more appropriate for Medieval Studies.

The professors who teach 275 and 288 recognize the advantage of more listings for the courses, but also don’t want to misrepresent their content.

thanks

Brenda

Brenda Farnell, Ph.D
Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of Anthropology
Professor of Anthropology and American Indian Studies
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

https://webmail.illinois.edu/owa/?ae=Item&t=IPM.Note&id=RgAAAA8...RZ6zLOvDnzSQAAAIHpXeAAAJ&a=Print&pspid=_1379444303842_996733214
Dear Prof Wright:

We are in the process of revising our course offerings, which may affect some of the courses you list. I will let you know as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Brenda Farnell

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From: Wright, Charles D  
Sent: Friday, September 13, 2013 1:23 PM  
To: Farnell, Brenda M  
Subject: request for approval for use of ANTH 376, 449, and 459 in new Medieval Studies curricula

Dear Professor Farnell,

Last Spring Alma Gottlieb approved my request for the inclusion of ANTH 275, 288, and 278 in our proposed new Medieval Studies major and minor. After subsequent discussion with Lisa Lucero and Tim Pauketat (who accepted 0% in Medieval Studies last year) we agreed also to include the following advanced undergraduate courses, for which I now request your department's approval:

ANTH 376 Aztec Civilization  
ANTH 449 North American Archaeology  
ANTH 459 The Ancient Maya

Approval can be conveyed by a brief email. Thanks very much for your attention to this request, I hope to submit the proposals in time for the next C & C meeting later this month.

Cordially,
RE: request for approval of ANTH 376 in new Medieval Studies curricula

Farnell, Brenda M
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2013 3:47 PM
To: Wright, Charles D
Cc: Orta, Andrew; Harmon, Karla J; Lucero, Lisa J; Pauketat, Timothy R

Dear Charlie (if I may):

Good News!

ANTH 376 (Aztec Civilizations) will stay on our list since it will be taught this Spring. It is suitable for listing w/ Med. Studies.

Best,

Brenda

Brenda Farnell, Ph.D
Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of Anthropology
Professor of Anthropology and American Indian Studies
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
http://www.anthro.illinois.edu/people/bfarnell

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From: Wright, Charles D
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2013 7:44 AM
To: Farnell, Brenda M
Cc: Orta, Andrew; Harmon, Karla J; Lucero, Lisa J; Pauketat, Timothy R
Subject: RE: request for approval for use of ANTH 376, 449, and 459 in new Medieval Studies curricula

Dear Brenda,

Thanks for your reply. I can delete ANTH 275 and 288 but have copied Lisa and Tim if they have anything to add about those or any of these courses from their point of view. In different parts of the globe "medieval" has to be defined differently, and a course does not have to focus entirely on the "medieval" period (however that might be defined in a given area), but we do want to include only courses that qualify meaningfully.

Best,

Charlie

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From: Farnell, Brenda M
Sent: Sunday, September 15, 2013 4:06 PM
To: Wright, Charles D
Cc: Orta, Andrew; Harmon, Karla J
Subject: RE: request for approval for use of ANTH 376, 449, and 459 in new Medieval Studies curricula
Hello Professor Wright,

The Art History program approves the following courses as being among those that will fulfill requirements within the new Major and Minor in Medieval studies. Please let me know if this note will suffice or if you wish for a statement on School letterhead. Very best wishes, Oscar.

Oscar E. Vázquez
Associate Professor and Chair
Program in Art History
oscarv@illinois.edu

| ARTH/MDVL 111       | Ancient to Medieval Art |
| ARTH 222/MDVL 222   | Medieval Art            |
| ARTH 231/MDVL 231   | Northern Renaissance Art |
| ARTH/MDVL 369       | Spirituality and Experience |
| ARTH 423/MDVL 423   | Romanesque Art          |
| ARTH 424/MDVL 424   | Gothic Art               |
| ARTH 425/MDVL 425   | Manuscripts and Early Printing |
| ARTH 431/MDVL 431   | Topics: Northern Art 1300-1500 |

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Rosenthal, Lisa" <lrosenth@illinois.edu>
Subject: Re: Request for approval of ARTH courses in new Medieval Studies curricula
Date: March 6, 2013 8:54:01 AM CST
To: "Wright, Charles D" <cdwright@illinois.edu>, "Vazquez, Oscar" <oscarv@illinois.edu>.

Good morning, Charlie,
I am forwarding this to Oscar Vazquez, our current Chair of Art History so he can work with you on this issue.
My best,
Lisa

On Mar 6, 2013, at 8:47 AM, Wright, Charles D wrote:
Dear Lisa,

The Program in Medieval Studies is proposing a thorough revision of our current Major (an LAS Interdisciplinary Studies Concentration) as well as a new Minor. The proposed new Major and Minor (attached) are intended to reflect our disciplinary expansion as a global program embracing the study of non-European “medieval” cultures.

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The following courses controlled by your unit are listed among those that would fulfill requirements within the new Major and Minor:

- ARTH/MDVL 111 Ancient to Medieval Art
- ARTH 222/MDVL 222 Medieval Art
- ARTH 231/MDVL 231 Northern Renaissance Art
- ARTH/MDVL 369 Spirituality and Experience
- ARTH 423/MDVL 423 Romanesque Art
- ARTH 424/MDVL 424 Gothic Art
- ARTH 425/MDVL 425 Manuscripts and Early Printing
- ARTH 431/MDVL 431 Topics: Northern Art 1300-1500
- ARTH 433/MDVL 433 Fifteenth-Century Italian Art

I hope that you will be able to provide at your earliest convenience approval for your unit (a brief email addressed to me will suffice) for the inclusion in our Major and Minor of all the courses listed above.

If there are any access restrictions that might affect the availability of these courses to Medieval Studies majors and minors, I would be grateful if you can alert me.

Thanks very much for your help. Let me know if you have any questions about the proposed new curricula in your Department.

Cordially,

Charlie

Charles D. Wright
Director, Program in Medieval Studies
Department of English, UIUC
608 S. Wright St. M/C 718
Dear Professor Wright,

The Art History program gladly approves of the following courses as being among those that will fulfill requirements within the new Major and Minor in Medieval studies. Please let me know if you should require further information.

- ARTH 111/MDVL 111 Ancient to Medieval Art
- ARTH 222/MDVL 222 Medieval Art
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- ARTH 431/MDVL 431 Topics: Northern Art 1300-1500
- ARTH 433/MDVL 433 Fifteenth-Century Italian Art

Sincerely,

Oscar E. Vázquez
Associate Professor and Chair
Program in Art History
oscarv@illinois.edu
RE: Request for approval of ARCH 412 in new Medieval Studies Major and Minor

Chasco, David

Sent: Wednesday, April 24, 2013 8:12 PM
To: Wright, Charles D
Cc: Kapp, Paul Hardin; Frank, Rhonda M; Stone, Marian A

Dear Charles,

My apologies for the delay. I have received approval from the Arch Council and have discussed fully with Marian Stone in the College of FAA.

As Director, the School of Architecture approves your request to include Arch 412 Medieval Architecture for inclusion into your Major and your new minor.

Best regards,

David Chasco
Professor and Director

From: Wright, Charles D
Sent: Monday, April 22, 2013 10:27 AM
To: Chasco, David
Cc: Kapp, Paul Hardin
Subject: RE: Request for approval of ARCH 412 in new Medieval Studies Major and Minor

Dear David and Paul,

I'm concerned that further delay in submitting the new Medieval Studies curricula may jeopardize our chances of having them approved and in place by Spring 2014, perhaps even by Fall 2104, so if you don't anticipate a decision on ARCH 412 soon, I think it will be better for me to delete it for now from the curricula (it could always be added back in later). I also have to request approval from the FAA dean's office for the curricula as a whole, and have been waiting to receive replies from the FAA departments involved (Art History, Landscape Architecture, and Architecture) before doing so. Please let me know when I can expect a response on ARCH 412.

Best,

Charlie Wright

From: Wright, Charles D
Sent: Thursday, March 28, 2013 6:29 AM
To: Chasco, David
Cc: Kapp, Paul Hardin
Subject: Request for approval of ARCH 412 in new Medieval Studies Major and Minor

Dear Professor Chasco,

https://webmail.illinois.edu/owa/?ae=Item&t=IPM.Note&id=RgAAAAAB...RZ5zLOvDnzSQAAATSY0DAAAJ&a=Print&pspid=_1367259278493_978466966
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The Program in Medieval Studies is proposing a thorough revision of our current Major (an LAS Interdisciplinary Studies Concentration) as well as a new Minor. The proposed new Major and Minor (attached) are intended to reflect our disciplinary expansion as a global program embracing the study of non-European “medieval” cultures.

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The following course controlled by your unit is listed among those that would fulfill requirements within the new Major and Minor:

ARCH/MDVL 412 Medieval Architecture

I hope that you will be able to provide at your earliest convenience approval for your unit (a brief email addressed to me will suffice) for the inclusion in our Major and Minor of the course listed above.

If there are any access restrictions that might affect the availability of this course to Medieval Studies majors and minors, I would be grateful if you can alert me.

Thanks very much for your help. Let me know if you have any questions about the proposed new curricula in your Department.

Cordially,

Charlie

Charles D. Wright
Director, Program in Medieval Studies
Department of English, UIUC
608 S. Wright St. M/C 718
RE: request for approval: for inclusion of CMN 515 = CLCV 415 in new Medieval Studies curricula

Traill, Ariana

Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 4:14 PM
To: Wright, Charles D

Dear Charlie,

I approve the inclusion of CLCV 415 in the new curricula. Good luck with it!

Yours,

Ariana

Ariana Traill
Associate Professor, Head
Latin Program Coordinator
Department of the Classics
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
4053 Foreign Language Building
707 S. Mathews Ave.
Urbana, IL 61801
217 333 7661

-----Original Message-----
From: Wright, Charles D
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 8:21 AM
To: Traill, Ariana
Subject: request for approval: for inclusion of CMN 515 = CLCV 415 in new Medieval Studies curricula

Ariana Traill
Head, Department of the Classics
4053 Foreign Languages Building
707 S. Mathews Ave

Dear Ariana,

It has been brought to my attention that, in addition to requesting your department's approval for including courses controlled by Classics in the new Medieval Studies curricula, I must also request permission to include a course cross-listed in CLCV that is controlled by another department:
CMN 415  Classical Rhetorics = CLCV 415

The controlling department has already given its approval for our inclusion of this course.

Thanks again for your time.

Cordially,

Charlie

Charles D. Wright, Director
Program in Medieval Studies
RE: Request for approval of CMN 415 in new Medieval Studies curricula
Tewksbury, David H

Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2013 2:52 PM
To: Wright, Charles D

Dr. Wright,

Thank you for contacting the Department of Communication regarding your proposed revision to the Medieval Studies curricula.

We appreciate the continued presence of CMN 415: Classical Rhetorics in your curricula. During the early weeks of registration periods, we often restrict access to CMN 415 to students with a Communication major. When we offer this class in future years, we will allow students with a MDVL major to register with Communication students.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

My best,

David Tewksbury
Department Head
Communication
Dear Charlie,

I approve the inclusion of CWL 208 in the new Medieval Studies curricula.

Best,

Jean-Philippe

-----Original Message-----
From: Wright, Charles D
Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2013 8:39 AM
To: Mathy, Jean-Philippe R
Subject: Request for approval of CWL 208 in new Medieval Studies curricula
Importance: High

Dear Jean-Philippe,

The Program in Medieval Studies is proposing a thorough revision of our current Major (an LAS Interdisciplinary Studies Concentration) as well as a new Minor. The proposed new Major and Minor (attached) are intended to reflect our disciplinary expansion as a global program embracing the study of non-European "medieval" cultures.

As part of our proposals for the new Major and Minor, we are required to submit approvals from each Department that controls courses included in these curricula, specifying that there are no significant access issues that would affect the ability of potential Medieval Studies majors and minors to enroll in them. We are estimating that, after the new curricula have been established, we will eventually have a three-year cohort of about 6-8 majors and 15-20 minors.

The following courses controlled your unit are listed among those that would fulfill requirements within the new Major and Minor:

CWL 208  Literatures and Cultures of South Asia

I hope that you will be able to provide at your earliest convenience approval for your unit (a brief email addressed to me will suffice) for the inclusion in our Major and Minor of all the courses listed above.
If there are any access restrictions that might affect the availability of these courses to Medieval Studies majors and minors, I would be grateful if you can alert me.

Thanks very much for your help. Let me know if you have any questions about the proposed new curricula in your Department.

Cordially,

Charlie

Charles D. Wright
Director, Program in Medieval Studies
Department of English, UIUC
608 S. Wright St. M/C 718
Re: Additional request for approval: for courses cross-listed by CWL in new Medieval Studies curricula

Kaganovsky, Lilya

Sent: Wednesday, September 04, 2013 4:07 PM
To: Wright, Charles D

Dear Professor Wright,

I am happy to approve these cross-listed courses for the new Medieval Studies major.

Best wishes,
Lilya Kaganovsky

Associate Professor and Director
Program in Comparative and World Literature

On Sep 4, 2013, at 14:35, "Wright, Charles D" <cdwright@illinois.edu> wrote:

> Dear Professor Kaganovsky,
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> Last Spring Jean-Philippe approved my request to include a number of CWL-controlled courses in our newly designed Medieval Studies major and minor. Later I discovered that I was also required to request approval from CWL to include courses that CWL cross-lists but does not control, so I sent Jean-Philippe an additional request on 8 May (copied below) listing those courses. I did not receive a reply to that request and I understand that you are now Head of CWL. I would be grateful if you can reply at your earliest convenience. A brief email will suffice as an approval. I have attached the proposed curricula.
>
> Cordially,
>
> Charles D. Wright, Director
> Program in Medieval Studies

> From: Wright, Charles D
> Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 8:28 AM
> To: Mathy, Jean-Philippe R
> Cc: Mehta, Rini Bhattacharyya
> Subject: Additional request for approval: for courses cross-listed by CWL in new Medieval Studies curricula

> Jean-Philippe Mathy
> Director, Program in Comparative and World Literature
> 3072 Foreign Languages Building
> 707 S. Mathews Ave.
>
> Dear Jean-Philippe,
>
> It has been brought to my attention that, in addition to requesting your department's approval for including courses controlled by CWL in the new Medieval Studies curricula, I must also request your permission to include courses with cross-lists in CWL that are controlled by other departments. These are:

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Thanks again for your time.

Cordially,

Charlie

Charles D. Wright, Director
Program in Medieval Studies

The controlling departments have already given their approval for our inclusion of these courses.

<MDVLConcentrationProposal 2-26-13.docx>
<MDVLMinorProposal 2-26-13.docx>
Re: Request for approval of EALC courses in new MDVL major and minor

garyxugang@gmail.com on behalf of Gary Xu [garyxu@illinois.edu]

Sent: Monday, March 11, 2013 9:24 AM
To: Wright, Charles D

Dear Professor Wright:

My colleagues at EALC and I appreciate your effort to revise Major in the Program in Medieval Studies and to add a Minor. Medieval Studies is one of our strengths; Professors Cai, Oyler, Ruppert, and Mayer all work in this area. At our faculty meeting on March 7, 2013, we discussed the proposal submitted by Medieval Studies and agreed that the revision is mutually beneficial to EALC and to Medieval Studies. I therefore fully endorse the revisions of Major and the addition of a Minor in Medieval Studies. The EALC courses on your list have no access restrictions. Yours,

Gary Xu

On Mon, Mar 11, 2013 at 8:48 AM, Wright, Charles D <cdwright@illinois.edu> wrote:

Gary Xu
Head, East Asian Language and Cultures
2090-a Foreign Lang 608 S. Mathews Ave
M/C 146
Urbana, IL 61801

Dear Gary,

The Program in Medieval Studies is proposing a thorough revision of our current Major (an LAS Interdisciplinary Studies Concentration) as well as a new Minor. The proposed new Major and Minor (attached) are intended to reflect our disciplinary expansion as a global program embracing the study of non-European “medieval” cultures.

As part of our proposals for the new Major and Minor, we are required to submit along a letter of support from each Department that controls courses cross-listed with MDVL, specifying whether there are any significant access issues that would affect the ability of potential Medieval Studies majors and minors to enroll in them. We are estimating that, once the new curricula are approved and in place, we will eventually have approximately 6-10 majors and 15-20 minors.

I hope that you will be able to provide such a letter (addressed to me) at your earliest convenience. The following courses controlled by your unit are listed among those that would fulfill requirement within the new Major and Minor:

EALC 220
EALC 226
EALC 240
EALC 275
EALC 287
EALC 305
EALC 307
EALC 413
EALC 463
EALC 484
EALC 488
If there are any access restrictions that might affect the availability of this course to Medieval Studies majors and minors, I would be grateful if you can alert me.

Thanks very much for your help. Let me know if you have any questions about the proposed new curricula and the relevant cross-listings in your Department.

Cordially,

Charlie

Charles D. Wright
Director, Program in Medieval Studies
Department of English, UIUC
608 S. Wright St. M/C 718

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Gary G. Xu, Ph.D.
Associate Professor and Head
Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
707 S. Mathews, #2090
Urbana, IL 61801
Re: additional request: for approval of courses cross-listed by ASST/EALC in new Medieval Studies curricula

garyxugang@gmail.com on behalf of Gary Xu [garyxu@illinois.edu]

Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 4:06 PM
To: Wright, Charles D

Dear Professor Wright,

EALC approves inclusion of these courses as listed in your email in the new Medieval Studies curricula. Please let me know if there is anything else I can be of help. Best,

Gary

On Wed, May 8, 2013 at 8:17 AM, Wright, Charles D <cdwright@illinois.edu> wrote:

Gary Xu
Head, East Asian Language and Cultures
2090-a Foreign Lang 608 S. Mathews Ave
M/C 146

Dear Gary,

It has been brought to my attention that, in addition to requesting your department's approval for including courses controlled by EALC in the new Medieval Studies curricula, I must also request your permission to include courses cross-listed in EALC or ASST that are controlled by other departments. These are:

CWL 208 Literature and Cultures of South Asia = ASST 208
LA 218 South Asian Cultural Landscapes = ASST 218
HIST 220 Traditional China = EALC 220
HIST 226 Pre-modern Japanese History = EACL 226
RLST 287 Introduction to Buddhism = EALC 287
RLST 484 Buddhist Meditation = EALC 484

The controlling departments have already given their approval for our inclusion of these courses.

Thanks again for your time.

Cordially,

Charlie

Charles D. Wright, Director
Program in Medieval Studies
Re: Request for approval of ENGL courses in new Medieval Studies curricula

Spencer Schaffner [metaspencer@gmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, March 07, 2013 1:14 PM
To: Wright, Charles D

Dear Charlie,

These changes look good to us in English. We fully support your proposed changes.

Spencer

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Spencer Schaffner
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spencers@illinois.edu

On Wed, Mar 6, 2013 at 8:49 AM, Wright, Charles D <cdwright@illinois.edu> wrote:
> Spencer Schaffner
> Associate Head
> Department of English
> 608 S. Wright St. M/C 718
> spencers@illinois.edu
> 
> Dear Spencer,
> 
> As part of our proposals for the new Major and Minor, we are required to submit approvals from each Department that controls courses included in these curricula, specifying that there are no significant access issues that would affect the ability of potential Medieval Studies majors and minors to enroll in them. We are estimating that, after the new curricula have been established, we will eventually have a three-year cohort of about 6-8 majors and 15-20 minors.

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The following courses controlled by English are listed among those that would fulfill requirements within the new Major and Minor:

- ENGL/MDVL 202 Medieval Literature and Culture
- ENGL/MDVL 407 Old English
- ENGL/MDVL 411 Chaucer
- ENGL 412 Medieval British Literatures

I hope that you will be able to provide at your earliest convenience approval for your unit (a brief email addressed to me will suffice) for the inclusion in our Major and Minor of all the courses listed above.

If there are any access restrictions that might affect the availability of these courses to Medieval Studies majors and minors, I would be grateful if you can alert me.

Thanks very much for your help. Let me know if you have any questions about the proposed new curricula and the relevant cross-listings in your Department.

Cordially,

Charlie

Charles D. Wright
Director, Program in Medieval Studies
Department of English, UIUC
608 S. Wright St. M/C 718
RE: Request for approval of FR 417 in new Medieval Studies curricula

Fresco, Karen L  
Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2013 1:42 PM  
To: Wright, Charles D

Charlie, I approve the inclusion of FR 417 in the revised major and new minor.  
Best,  
Karen

From: Wright, Charles D  
Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2013 8:55 AM  
To: Fresco, Karen L  
Subject: Request for approval of FR 417 in new Medieval Studies curricula

Karen Fresco, Head  
Department of French  
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707 S. Mathews Ave  
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kfresco@illinois.edu

Dear Karen,

The Program in Medieval Studies is proposing a thorough revision of our current Major (an LAS Interdisciplinary Studies Concentration) as well as a new Minor. The proposed new Major and Minor (attached) are intended to reflect our disciplinary expansion as a global program embracing the study of non-European "medieval" cultures.

As part of our proposals for the new Major and Minor, we are required to submit approvals from each Department that controls included in these curricula, specifying that there are no significant access issues that would affect the ability of potential Medieval Studies majors and minors to enroll in them. We are estimating that, after the new curricula have been established, we will eventually have a three-year cohort of about 6-8 majors and 15-20 minors.

The following course controlled by your unit is listed among those that would fulfill requirements within the new Major and Minor:

FR/MDVL 417 History of the French Language

I hope that you will be able to provide at your earliest convenience approval for your unit (a brief email addressed to me will suffice) for the inclusion in our Major and Minor of the course listed above.

If there are any access restrictions that might affect the availability of this course to Medieval Studies majors and minors, I would be grateful if you can alert me.

Thanks very much for your help. Let me know if you have any questions about the proposed new curricula in your Department.

Cordially,

Charlie

Charles D. Wright
RE: request for approval of course cross-listed in GWS in new Medieval Studies curricula

Nguyen, Mimi Thi

Sent: Thursday, September 12, 2013 11:14 AM
To: Kahn, Jacquelyn Sue; Wright, Charles D

Charles,

I am happy to approve HIST/GWS 245 in the new Medieval Studies curricula.

Best,

MN

Mimi Thi Nguyen
Associate Professor,
Gender and Women's Studies
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Unit for Criticism
Associate Chair,
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From: Kahn, Jacquelyn Sue
Sent: Wednesday, September 11, 2013 4:08 PM
To: Wright, Charles D
Cc: Nguyen, Mimi Thi
Subject: RE: request for approval of course cross-listed in GWS in new Medieval Studies curricula

Dear Charlie,

Will an email from our director of undergraduate studies work? Her name is Mimi Nguyen (cced above), and I'm sure she will be happy to approve this.

Jacque

Jacque Kahn, Ph.D.
Academic Advisor and Administrative Coordinator
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RE: request for approval of course cross-listed in GWS in new Medieval Studies curricula

From: Wright, Charles D
Sent: Wednesday, September 11, 2013 3:39 PM
To: Kahn, Jacquelyn Sue
Subject: FW: request for approval of course cross-listed in GWS in new Medieval Studies curricula

Dear Jacque,

Here is the request. Thanks for your help.

Charlie Wright

From: Wright, Charles D
Sent: Friday, August 23, 2013 8:59 AM
To: Nadeau, Chantal
Subject: RE: request for approval of course cross-listed in GWS in new Medieval Studies curricula

Dear Professor Nadeau,

I have not yet received a reply to my request of 8 May for GWS approval of the use of HIST 245 = GWS 245 in the new Medieval Studies curricula. The controlling department as already given its approval, but I must also seek the approval of GWS as a cross-listing unit. A brief email will suffice.

Thanks,

Charlie Wright

From: Wright, Charles D
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 8:32 AM
To: Nadeau, Chantal
Subject: request for approval of course cross-listed in GWS in new Medieval Studies curricula

Chantal Nadeau, Chair
Department of Gender & Women's Studies
1205 W. Nevada St.

Dear Professor Nadeau,

The Program in Medieval Studies is proposing a thorough revision of our current Major (an LAS Interdisciplinary Studies Concentration) as well as a new Minor. The proposed new Major and Minor (attached) are intended to reflect our disciplinary expansion as a global program embracing the study of non-European “medieval” cultures. As part of this proposal we must request approval from units that cross-list any courses included in the new curricula, even if they are controlled by other departments. I write to request your approval for the inclusion of the following course that is cross-listed with GWS:

HIST 245 Women and Gender in Premodern Europe = GWS 245
The controlling department has already given its approval for our inclusion of this course.

This approval can be conveyed by a brief email. Thank you for your time.

Cordially,

Charlie

Charles D. Wright
Director, Program in Medieval Studies
Department of English, UIUC
608 S. Wright St. M/C 718
Dear Charlie,

I apologize for the delay. I looked into it last week, and here's what I can report. First of all--despite appearances--we're really glad of your plans and look forward to supporting the program.

Of the courses you list as supporting coursework, most are offered on a regular basis and will certainly be available to your students. HIST 346, as you no doubt know, is taught most often by Prof. D. Price, in RLST, so I can't vouch for his plans, but from the outside it looks like he has been offering it frequently (about every 2 years). HIST 226 (early modern Japan) was taught by Prof. Ron Toby, who has retired. I am not sure if any of his courses will be picked up soon, as we don't have an early modern Japanese historian at the moment.

Still, on the whole, I'm happy to report that our ability to teach the rest of the courses is in good shape, and that we will be offering them regularly, if current patterns hold.

Thanks very much for your program's interest in history, and please let me know if I can be of any other assistance in that regard!

John

On Mar 28, 2013, at 7:32 AM, Wright, Charles D wrote:

Hi John,

Will History be able to approve these courses for MDVL? (It's hard to imagine a Medieval Studies major or minor without them!). I cannot send the proposals forward until I've received approvals from all participating units.

Thanks,

Charlie
Dear John,

The Program in Medieval Studies is proposing a thorough revision of our current Major (an LAS Interdisciplinary Studies Concentration) as well as a new Minor. The proposed new Major and Minor (attached) are intended to reflect our disciplinary expansion as a global program embracing the study of non-European "medieval" cultures.

As part of our proposals for the new Major and Minor, we are required to submit approvals from each Department that controls courses included in these curricula, specifying that there are no significant access issues that would affect the ability of potential Medieval Studies majors and minors to enroll in them. We are estimating that, after the new curricula have been established, we will eventually have a three-year cohort of about 6-8 majors and 15-20 minors.

The following courses controlled by your unit are listed among those that would fulfill requirements within the new Major and Minor:

- HIST 130 History of South Asia
- HIST 135 History of Islamic Middle East
- HIST 220 Traditional China
- HIST 226 Pre-modern Japanese History
- HIST 245/MDVL 245 Women & Gender in Pre-Modern Europe
- HIST 247/MDVL 247 Medieval Europe
- HIST 255/MDVL 255 British Isles to 1688
- HIST 345/MDVL 345 Medieval Civilization
- HIST 346/MDVL 346 The Age of the Renaissance
- HIST 443/MDVL 443 Byzantine Empire AD 284-717
- HIST 445/MDVL 444 Medieval England

I hope that you will be able to provide at your earliest convenience approval for your unit (a brief email addressed to me will suffice) for the inclusion in our Major and Minor of all the courses listed above.

If there are any access restrictions that might affect the availability of these courses to Medieval Studies majors and minors, I would be grateful if you can alert me.

Thanks very much for your help. Let me know if you have any questions about the proposed new curricula and the relevant cross-listings in your Department.
Cordially,

Charlie

Charles D. Wright
Director, Program in Medieval Studies
Department of English, UIUC
608 S. Wright St. M/C 718

Additional approval request: for courses cross-listed by HIST in new Medieval Studies curricula

Wright, Charles D
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 8:30 AM
To: Randolph, John W

John Randolph
Director of Undergraduate Studies
Department of History
309 Gregory Hall
810 S. Wright St.

Dear John,

It has been brought to my attention that, in addition to requesting your department’s approval for including courses controlled by History in the new Medieval Studies curricula, I must also request your permission to include courses with cross-lists in History that are controlled by other departments. These are:

- ANTH 275 World of Jewish Sephard = HIST 267
- ARTH 369 Spirituality and Experience = HIST 344
- EALC 220 Traditional China = HIST 220
- EALC 226 Premodern Japanese History = HIST 226
- EPS 403 European Education to 1600 = HIST 444
- RLST 458 Christians and Jews 1099-1789 = HIST 458

The controlling departments have already given their approval for our inclusion of these courses.

Thanks again for your time.

Cordially,

Charlie

Charles D. Wright, Director
Program in Medieval Studies
RE: Request for approval of ITAL courses in new Medieval Studies curricula

Silvina Montrul
Head, Department of Spanish, Italian, and Portuguese
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707 S. Mathews Ave
Urbana, IL 61801
montrul@illinois.edu

Dear Silvina,

The Program in Medieval Studies is proposing a thorough revision of our current Major (an LAS Interdisciplinary Studies Concentration) as well as a new Minor. The proposed new Major and Minor (attached) are intended to reflect our disciplinary expansion as a global program embracing the study of non-European “medieval” cultures.

As part of our proposals for the new Major and Minor, we are required to submit approvals from each Department that controls courses included in these curricula, specifying that there are no significant access issues that would affect the ability of potential Medieval Studies majors and minors to enroll in them. We are estimating that, after the new curricula have been established, we will eventually have a three-year cohort of about 6-8 majors and 15-20 minors.

The following courses controlled by your unit are listed among those that would fulfill requirements within the new Major and Minor:

ITAL 240/MDVL 240 Italy in the Middle Ages & Renaissance
ITAL 413/MDVL 413 Dante
ITAL 414/MDVL 414 Petrarch & Boccaccio
ITAL/MDVL 420 Masterpieces of Renaissance Literature

If there are any access restrictions that might affect the availability of these courses to Medieval

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Studies majors and minors, I would be grateful if you can alert me.

I hope that you will be able to provide at your earliest convenience approval for your unit (a brief email addressed to me will suffice) for the inclusion in our Major and Minor of all the courses listed above.

Thanks very much for your help. Let me know if you have any questions about the proposed new curricula in your Department.

Cordially,

Charlie

Charles D. Wright
Director, Program in Medieval Studies
Department of English, UIUC
608 S. Wright St. M/
RE: Request for approval of LA courses in new Medieval Studies curricula

Emmerling-Dinovo, Carol Anne

Sent: Monday, April 22, 2013 10:52 AM
To: Wright, Charles D; Goggin, Nan Elizabeth
Cc: Ruggles, D Fairchild; Sears, Stephen Michael; Sinha, Amita

Dear Professor Wright,

Both Amita Sinha (LA 218 South Asian Cultural Landscapes) and Dede Ruggles (LA 222 Islamic Gardens & Architecture) would be pleased for their courses to be added to your Medieval Studies curricula. There are no significant access issues that would affect the ability of potential Medieval Studies majors and minors to enroll in them.

Carol

Carol Emmerling-DiNovo
Assistant Head, Academic Advisor, Lecturer. RLA
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101 Buell Hall
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Champaign, IL 61820
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From: Wright, Charles D
Sent: Monday, April 22, 2013 10:33 AM
To: Goggin, Nan Elizabeth
Cc: Ruggles, D Fairchild; Emmerling-Dinovo, Carol Anne; Sears, Stephen Michael
Subject: RE: Request for approval of LA courses in new Medieval Studies curricula

Dear Nan,

Do you anticipate having an answer soon to our request to include LA 218 and 222 in our curricula?

Thanks,

Charlie Wright

From: Goggin, Nan Elizabeth
Sent: Wednesday, April 10, 2013 10:11 AM
To: Wright, Charles D
Cc: Ruggles, D Fairchild; Emmerling-Dinovo, Carol Anne; Sears, Stephen Michael
Subject: Re: Request for approval of LA courses in new Medieval Studies curricula
hi charles
I will bring to the landscape's attention this week
and get back to you
best. nan

nan goggin, professor
director, school of art + design
interim head, dept. of landscape architecture
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217.333.0855

From: <Wright>, Charles D <cdwright@illinois.edu>
Date: Wednesday, April 10, 2013 9:28 AM
To: Nan Goggin <goggin@illinois.edu>
Cc: D Ruggles <dfr1@illinois.edu>
Subject: RE: Request for approval of LA courses in new Medieval Studies curricula

Dear Professor Goggin,

I hope it will be possible for your department to approve the listing of two LA courses in the proposed new Medieval Studies curricula, as detailed in my email request of 6 March (below). If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know. Both courses in question are taught by Professor Ruggles, whom I’ve copied on this message.

Cordially,

Charles D. Wright, Director
Program in Medieval Studies

From: Wright, Charles D
Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2013 8:56 AM
To: Goggin, Nan Elizabeth
Subject: Request for approval of LA courses in new Medieval Studies curricula

Nan Goggin
Interim Head, Department of Landscape Architecture
101 Buell Hall
611 Lorado Taft Drive
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goggin@illinois.edu

Dear Professor Goggin,

The Program in Medieval Studies is proposing a thorough revision of our current Major (an LAS Interdisciplinary Studies Concentration) as well as a new Minor. The proposed new Major and Minor (attached) are intended to reflect our disciplinary expansion as a global program embracing
the study of non-European “medieval” cultures.

As part of our proposals for the new Major and Minor, we are required to submit approvals from each Department that controls courses included in these curricula, specifying that there are no significant access issues that would affect the ability of potential Medieval Studies majors and minors to enroll in them. We are estimating that, after the new curricula have been established, we will eventually have a three-year cohort of about 6-8 majors and 15-20 minors.

The following courses controlled by your unit are listed among those that would fulfill requirements within the new Major and Minor:

LA 218 Islamic Gardens and Architecture
LA 222 South Asian Cultural Landscapes

I hope that you will be able to provide at your earliest convenience approval for your unit (a brief email addressed to me will suffice) for the inclusion in our Major and Minor of all the courses listed above.

If there are any access restrictions that might affect the availability of these courses to Medieval Studies majors and minors, I would be grateful if you can alert me.

Thanks very much for your help. Let me know if you have any questions about the proposed new curricula in your Department.

Cordially,

Charlie

Charles D. Wright
Director, Program in Medieval Studies
Department of English, UIUC
608 S. Wright St. M/C 718
RE: Request for approval of LAT 460 in new Medieval Studies curricula

Traill, Ariana  
Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2013 10:40 AM  
To: Wright, Charles D  

Dear Charlie,

I am happy to approve the inclusion of LAT 460 in your new Major and Minor. Congratulations on it!

All best,
Ariana

-----Original Message-----
From: Wright, Charles D  
Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2013 10:36 AM  
To: Traill, Ariana  
Subject: RE: Request for approval of LAT 460 in new Medieval Studies curricula  

Hi Ariana,

That's very hard to gauge. We don't include a language requirement in the new curricula, but we do allow a certain number of hours of "appropriate language study" to count towards the advanced hours requirement. We would encourage any major or minor intending to go on to a grad program in medieval studies to take at least introductory Latin, but only those who already had done beginning and intermediate Classical Latin would be at all likely to take 460 also. So actually I don't think there will be many undergrad majors and minors taking LAT 460, but there may be a few.

Charlie

From: Traill, Ariana  
Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2013 10:31 AM  
To: Wright, Charles D  
Subject: RE: Request for approval of LAT 460 in new Medieval Studies curricula  

Dear Charlie,

Just for planning purposes, how many of those 6-8 majors and 15-20 minors do you anticipate taking 460 on its regular schedule every other fall? (You know how dear to hearts upper language enrollments are!)

Best,
ARiana

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From: Wright, Charles D  
Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2013 8:38 AM  
To: Traill, Ariana  
Subject: Request for approval of LAT 460 in new Medieval Studies curricula  
Importance: High  

Ariana Traill  
Interim Head, Department of the Classics
Dear Ariana,

The Program in Medieval Studies is proposing a thorough revision of our current Major (an LAS Interdisciplinary Studies Concentration) as well as a new Minor. The proposed new Major and Minor (attached) are intended to reflect our disciplinary expansion as a global program embracing the study of non-European “medieval” cultures.

As part of our proposals for the new Major and Minor, we are required to submit approvals from each Department that controls courses included in these curricula, specifying that there are no significant access issues that would affect the ability of potential Medieval Studies majors and minors to enroll in them. We are estimating that, after the new curricula have been established, we will eventually have a three-year cohort of about 6-8 majors and 15-20 minors.

The following course controlled by your unit is listed among those that would fulfill requirements within the new Major and Minor:

LAT/MDVL 460 Medieval Latin

I hope that you will be able to provide at your earliest convenience approval for your unit (a brief email addressed to me will suffice) for the inclusion in our Major and Minor of the course listed above.

If there are any access restrictions that might affect the availability of this course to Medieval Studies majors and minors, I would be grateful if you can alert me.

Thanks very much for your help. Let me know if you have any questions about the proposed new curricula in your Department.
Cordially,

Charlie

Charles D. Wright
Director, Program in Medieval Studies
Department of English, UIUC
608 S. Wright St. M/C 718
Dear Charlie,

I approve the use of the listed RLST courses as part of the Medieval Studies new major and minor program.

Best,

Bruce

Bruce Rosenstock
Associate Professor of Religion
Director of Undergraduate Studies, Religion
Associate Director, Program in Jewish Culture and Society
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

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From: Wright, Charles D
Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2013 8:52 AM
To: Rosenstock, Bruce

Dear Bruce,

The Program in Medieval Studies is proposing a thorough revision of our current Major (an LAS Interdisciplinary Studies Concentration) as well as a new Minor. The proposed new Major and Minor (attached) are intended to reflect our disciplinary expansion as a global program embracing the study of non-European "medieval" cultures.

As part of our proposals for the new Major and Minor, we are also required to submit approvals from each Department that controls courses included in these curricula, specifying that there are no significant access issues that would affect the ability of potential Medieval Studies majors and minors to enroll in them. We are estimating that, after the new curricula have been established, we will eventually have a three-year cohort of about 6-8 majors and 15-20 minors.

The following courses controlled by your unit are listed among those that would fulfill requirements within the new Major and Minor:

- RLST 213 Introduction to Islam (Advanced Comp)
- RLST 214 Introduction to Islam
- RLST 223 Quran Structure and Exegesis
- RLST 260 Mystics and Saints in Islam
- RLST 287 Introduction to Buddhism
- RLST 283 Sacred Jewish Literature
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I hope that you will be able to provide at your earliest convenience approval for your unit (a brief email addressed to me will suffice) for the inclusion in our Major and Minor of all the courses listed above.

If there are any access restrictions that might affect the availability of these courses to Medieval Studies majors and minors, I would be grateful if you can alert me.

Thanks very much for your help. Let me know if you have any questions about the proposed new curricula in your Department.

Cordially,

Charlie

Charles D. Wright
Director, Program in Medieval Studies
Department of English, UIUC
608 S. Wright St. M/C 718
RE: Additional request for approval: of courses cross-listed by RLST in new Medieval Studies curricula

Rosenstock, Bruce

Sent: Monday, September 09, 2013 2:35 PM
To: Wright, Charles D

Charlie,

Religious Studies approves the following courses for credit toward the Medieval Studies major or minor.

ARTH 275 World of Jewish Sepharad = RLST 275
ARTH 369 Spirituality and Experience = RLST 369
EALC 463 Drama in Premodern Japan = RLST 485
EALC 488 History of Chinese Buddhism = RLST 488
HIST 345 Medieval Civilization = RLST 345
HIST 346 The Age of the Renaissance = RLST 346
SCAN 251 Viking Mythology = RLST 251

Best,
Bruce

Bruce Rosenstock
Associate Professor of Religion
Director of Undergraduate Studies, Religion
Associate Director, Program in Jewish Culture and Society
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

From: Wright, Charles D
Sent: Wednesday, September 04, 2013 2:18 PM
To: Rosenstock, Bruce
Subject: FW: Additional request for approval: of courses cross-listed by RLST in new Medieval Studies curricula

Hi Bruce,

If you have a moment can you reply to my email of 23 August? You had already replied affirmatively to my initial request for approval of RLST courses, but I also had to seek RLST approval of courses that RLST does not control but does cross-list. All the controlling departments have given their approval. The original "additional request" of 8 May is copied below.

Thanks,

Charlie

From: Wright, Charles D
Sent: Friday, August 23, 2013 9:09 AM  
To: Rosenstock, Bruce  
Subject: RE: Additional request for approval: of courses cross-listed by RLST in new Medieval Studies curricula

Dear Bruce,

I have not yet received a reply to my request for RLST approval for the use of several cross-listed courses in the new Medieval Studies curricula. The controlling departments have all given their approval, but I must also seek approval from any units that cross-list the courses.

Thanks,

Charlie

From: Wright, Charles D  
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 8:24 AM  
To: Rosenstock, Bruce  
Subject: Additional request for approval: of courses cross-listed by RLST in new Medieval Studies curricula

Bruce Rosenstock  
Director of Undergraduate Studies  
Department of Religious Studies  
2090 Foreign Language Building M/C 177  
707 S. Mathews Ave.

Dear Bruce,

It has been brought to my attention that, in addition to requesting your department's approval for including courses controlled by RLST in the new Medieval Studies curricula, I must also request your permission to include courses with cross-lists in RLST that are controlled by other departments. These are:

ANTH 275 World of Jewish Sepharad = RLST 275  
ARTH 369 Spirituality and Experience = RLST 369  
EALC 463 Drama in Premodern Japan = RLST 485  
EALC 488 History of Chinese Buddhism = RLST 488  
HIST 345 Medieval Civilization = RLST 345  
HIST 346 The Age of the Renaissance = RLST 346  
SCAN 251 Viking Mythology = RLST 251

The controlling departments have already given their approval for our inclusion of these courses.

Thanks again for your time.

Cordially,

Charlie

Charles D. Wright, Director  
Program in Medieval Studies
Re: Approval SCAN / GER courses

Niekerk, Carl Hendrik

Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2013 9:39 AM
To: Wright, Charles D
Cc: Pinkert, Anke

Hi Charlie: Germanic Languages and Literatures approves of GER 470, SCAN 251 and 252 being included in the new major and minor in Medieval Studies. Good luck with the approval process.

Best,
Carl Niekerk
Professor of German, Comparative and World Literature, and Jewish Studies
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From: <Wright>, Charles D <cdwright@illinois.edu>
Date: Wednesday, March 6, 2013 8:39 AM
To: ATLAS UIUC <pinkert@illinois.edu>
Subject: Request for approval of GER & SCAN courses in new Medieval Studies curricula

Anke Pinkert
Director of Undergraduate Studies
Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures
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Dear Professor Pinkert,

The Program in Medieval Studies is proposing a thorough revision of our current Major (an LAS Interdisciplinary Studies Concentration) as well as a new Minor. The proposed new Major and Minor (attached) are intended to reflect our disciplinary expansion as a global program embracing the study of non-European "medieval" cultures.

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The following courses controlled your unit are listed among those that would fulfill requirements within the new Major and Minor:

GER 470/MDVL 470 Middle Ages to Baroque

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I hope that you will be able to provide at your earliest convenience approval for your unit (a brief email addressed to me will suffice) for the inclusion in our Major and Minor of all the courses listed above.

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Thanks very much for your help. Let me know if you have any questions about the proposed new curricula in your Department.

Cordially,

Charlie

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RE: Request for approval of SLAV 417 in new Medieval Studies curricula

Finke, Michael C

Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2013 9:05 AM
To: Wright, Charles D

Dear Charlie,

Slavic Langs. & Lits. would be very pleased to see SLAV 417 included in the new Medieval Studies curricula. The additional students this may entail would be most welcome, and no burden whatsoever. There could be issues of language competence that would keep it from being a viable choice for some of your students, but that is another matter, and it is within the discretion of the instructor offering the course to accommodate students without Russian.

Best,
Michael

Michael Finke, Professor and Department Head
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From: Wright, Charles D
Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2013 8:58 AM
To: Finke, Michael C
Subject: Request for approval of SLAV 417 in new Medieval Studies curricula

Michael Finke
Head, Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures
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Dear Michael,

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The following course controlled by your unit is listed among those that would fulfill requirements within the new Major and Minor:

**SLAV 417 11th-17th Century Russian Literature and Language**

I hope that you will be able to provide at your earliest convenience approval for your unit (a brief email addressed to me will suffice) for the inclusion in our Major and Minor of the course listed above.

If there are any access restrictions that might affect the availability of this course to Medieval Studies majors and minors, I would be grateful if you can alert me.

Thanks very much for your help. Let me know if you have any questions about the proposed new curricula in your Department.

Cordially,

Charlie

Charles D. Wright
Director, Program in Medieval Studies
Department of English, UIUC
608 S. Wright St. M/C 718
RE: request for approval of courses cross-listed in THEA in new Medieval Studies curricula

Wright, Charles D  
Sent: Friday, August 23, 2013 4:39 PM  
To: Swinford, David P

Thanks, David--

Charlie

From: Swinford, David P  
Sent: Friday, August 23, 2013 2:54 PM  
To: Wright, Charles D  
Subject: Re: request for approval of courses cross-listed in THEA in new Medieval Studies curricula

that's fine with us.
On Aug 23, 2013, at 8:50 AM, Wright, Charles D wrote:

Hi David,

I haven't yet received a reply to my request for Theatre's approval for including EALC 413 and 463 = THEA 486 in the new Medieval Studies curricula (as I explained in my message of 16 May, we are not requesting any new crosslistings). A brief email will suffice.

Thanks very much,

Charlie Wright

From: Wright, Charles D  
Sent: Thursday, May 16, 2013 3:14 PM  
To: Swinford, David P  
Subject: RE: request for approval of courses cross-listed in THEA in new Medieval Studies curricula

Hi David,

These cross-lists with Theatre already exist; what I'm requesting is not approval of any new cross-listings, but Theatre's approval as a cross-listing unit for Medieval Studies to include EALC 413 = THEA 488 and 463 in our new curricula.

Best,

Charlie

From: Swinford, David P  
Sent: Thursday, May 16, 2013 2:59 PM  
To: Wright, Charles D  
Subject: Re: request for approval of courses cross-listed in THEA in new Medieval Studies curricula
we wouldn't cross list with an existing course but, would be happy for an opportunity to cross list with a course number not currently in use.

On May 8, 2013, at 8:34 AM, Wright, Charles D wrote:

From: Wright, Charles D  
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 8:19 AM  
To: Jenkins, Jeffrey Eric  
Cc: dswinfor@illinois.edu  
Subject: request for approval of courses cross-listed in THEA in new Medieval Studies curricula

Jeffrey Eric Jenkins, Head  
Department of Theatre  
4-122 Krannert Center for the Performing Arts  
500 S. Goodwin Ave.

Dear Professor Jenkins,

The Program in Medieval Studies is proposing a thorough revision of our current Major (an LAS Interdisciplinary Studies Concentration) as well as a new Minor. The proposed new Major and Minor (attached) are intended to reflect our disciplinary expansion as a global program embracing the study of non-European "medieval" cultures. As part of this proposal we must request approval from units that cross-list any courses included in the new curricula, even if they are controlled by other departments. I write to request your approval for the inclusion of the following courses that are cross-listed with THEA:

EALC 413 Premodern Chinese Drama = THEA 488  
EALC 463 Drama in Premodern Japan = THEA 486

The controlling department has already given its approval for our inclusion of these courses.

This approval can be conveyed by a brief email. Thank you for your time.

Cordially,

Charlie

Charles D. Wright, Director  
Program in Medieval Studies  
Department of English, UIUC  
608 S. Wright St. M/C 718

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cc: David Swinford

October 23, 2013

Gay Miller, Chair
Senate Committee on Educational Policy
Office of the Senate
228 English Building, MC-461

Dear Professor Miller:

Enclosed is a copy of a proposal from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences to establish an interdisciplinary undergraduate minor in Medieval Studies. It now requires Senate review.

Sincerely,

Kristi A. Kuntz
Assistant Provost

Enclosures

c:  K. Carney
    C. Wright
October 11, 2013

Kristi Kuntz
Assistant Provost
Swanlund Administration Building
MC-304

Dear Kristi:

The Committee on Courses and Curricula on behalf of the Faculty of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences has voted to approve the following proposals:

Revise the Major in the Sciences and Letters Curriculum: BALAS Interdisciplinary Studies: Medieval Civilization Concentration, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Establish an Interdisciplinary Minor in Medieval Studies in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Please address all correspondence concerning these proposals to me. These proposals are now ready for review by the Senate Educational Policy Committee for proposed implementation Fall 2014.

Sincerely,

Karen M. Carney
Associate Dean

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C: Professor Charles Wright