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Approval Path
1. 11/20/19 1:24 pm
   Deb Forgacs (dforgacs):
   Approved for U Program Review
2. 11/20/19 3:37 pm
   Stephanie Hilger (hilger):
   Approved for 1927 Head
3. 11/21/19 7:17 am
   Luisa-Elena Delgado (ldelgado):
   Approved for SLCL Head
4. 11/21/19 9:47 am
   Kelly Ritter (ritterk):
   Approved for KV Dean
5. 11/21/19 10:07 am
   John Wilkin (jpwilkin):
   Approved for...
Proposal Type

Proposal Type:
Minor (ex. European Union Studies)

This proposal is for a:
Revision

Proposal Title:
if this proposal is one piece of a multi-element change please include the other impacted programs here. example: A BS revision with multiple concentration revisions

Revise the Minor in German, Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures

Is this program available on campus and online? No

Official Program Name
German Minor

Banner/Codebook Name
German

Program Code: 0303

Major Code Minor Code 0303 Conc Code Degree Code

EP Control Number EP.20.66

Senate Approval Date

Senate Conference
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Effective Date:
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Is this program interdisciplinary?
No
Is this minor?
A Comprehensive study in a single discipline

Academic Level
CIP Code

Program Description and Justification
Justification for proposal change:

The Department would like to revise its Minor in German, to allow students a wider choice among courses counting towards the minor and it possible to complete the minor faster. The changes reflect the fact that students may want to do a minor in German for many different reasons. Some students may want to emphasize literature and culture, while others may opt for courses on current society and/or popular culture, or on language-related courses; some students may prefer English-language courses over German-language courses. In order to make this possible, we propose the following changes:

1. We will add one required course to the minor: GER 211 “Conversation and Writing I.”
2. GER 103 “Intermediate German I” will also count toward elective hours in the minor (it currently does not).
3. Instead of asking students to choose four out of six specific courses, we will ask students to choose 12-14 hours from a list of 22 different German courses, which must include at least one course at the 300- or 400-level (in addition to the required GER 420, this will fulfill the condition that at least six hours in the minor are 300- and 400-level courses)
4. GER 320 “German for Business” and GER 321 “German for Economics” will no longer count towards the Minor in German, as these will serve as required core courses for our new Minor in German Business and Commercial Studies, which we are putting through as a separate proposal for approval.
5. The minimum number of hours required for the Minor in German will change from 19 to 18-19 hours.

Is This a Teacher Certification Program?

No

Will specialized accreditation be sought for this program?

No

Enrollment

Will the department limit enrollment to the minor?

No

Describe how the department will monitor the admission to/enrollment in the minor.

The undergraduate advisor in GLL will advertise the minor, communicate with all students who have signed up for the minor, and will be available during office hours or willing to make an appointment to answer questions.

Are there any prerequisites for the proposed minor?

No
Describe how this revision will impact enrollment and degrees awarded.

1. The department decided to make GER 211 “Conversation and Writing I” a required course, since almost all students who elect the minor also take this course. To have this course be required will also help the department with assessment (all students will be assessed in this course). Having two required courses in the minor will also create a common base for all students doing the minor.

2. The fact that GER 103 “Intermediate German I” is now an option for the minor reflects that fact that fewer students come to Illinois with AP credit in German, and so more students pursuing a degree in German have to take elementary and intermediate courses at Illinois. This will help students interested in German, but without this intermediate course credit granted at the time of admission, to complete their minor faster.

3. The practical effect of allowing students to choose from more courses offered by the department will be that each semester students can choose from a broader range of courses counting towards the minor. They are no longer bound to a specific track in the form of sequenced courses in the minor. This will make it much easier for students to complete the minor in a timely fashion.

4. We decided to exclude GER 320 “German for Business” and GER 321 “German for Economics” from the minor to make the Minor in German clearly distinct from the new proposed Minor in German Business and Commercial Studies (see separate proposal).

Delivery Method

This program is available:

**Face-to-Face**

Other than certification via the students’ degree audits, is there any additional planned mechanism to award/honor successful completion of the minor?

**No**

Budget

Are there budgetary implications for this revision?

**No**

Will the program or revision require staffing (faculty, advisors, etc.) beyond what is currently available?

**No**
Resource Implications

Facilities
Will the program require new or additional facilities or significant improvements to already existing facilities?

No

Technology
Will the program need additional technology beyond what is currently available for the unit?

No

Non-Technical Resources
Will the program require additional supplies, services or equipment (non-technical)?

No

Resources

Library Resources
Describe your proposal's impact on the University Library's resources, collections, and services. If necessary please consult with the appropriate disciplinary specialist within the University Library.

No impact on the library

Instructional Resources
Will there be any reduction in other course offerings, programs or concentrations by your department as a result of this new program/proposed change?

No

Does this new program/proposed change result in the replacement of another program?

No

Does the program include other courses/subjects impacted by the creation/revision of this program?

Yes

Required courses
PS 385 - Politics of the European Union
Explain how the inclusion or removal of the courses/subjects listed above impacts the offering departments.

**see attached email**

Attach letters of support from other departments.

### Financial Resources

How does the unit intend to financially support this proposal?

**No impact on financial resources.**

Will the unit need to seek campus or other external resources?

**No**

Attach letters of support

### Program Regulation

Describe how the program is aligned with or meets licensure, certification, and/or entitlement requirements, if applicable.

Briefly describe the plan to assess and improve student learning, including the program’s learning objectives; when, how, and where these learning objectives will be assessed; what metrics will be used to signify student’s achievement of the stated learning objectives; and the process to ensure assessment results are used to improve student learning.

Is the career/profession for graduates of this program regulated by the State of Illinois?

**No**

### Program of Study

"Baccalaureate degree requires at least 120 semester credit hours or 180 quarter credit hours and at least 40 semester credit hours (60 quarter credit hours) in upper division courses” (source: https://www.ibhe.org/assets/files/PrivateAdminRules2017.pdf). For proposals for new bachelor’s degrees, if this minimum is not
explicitly met by specifically-required 300- and/or 400-level courses, please provide information on how the upper-division hours requirement will be satisfied.

An undergraduate minor should consist of at least 16 - and no more than 21 hours - of course work, with at least 6 hours of 300- or 400-level courses. Except clearly remedial offerings, prerequisite courses within the sponsoring unit count towards the total; prerequisite courses outside the sponsoring unit do not count toward this total. The unit sponsoring the minor and that unit's college may set educationally necessary prerequisites for eligibility for the minor within these constraints. Does this proposal meet these criteria?

**Yes**

All proposals must attach the new or revised version of the Academic Catalog program of study entry. Contact your college office if you have questions.

Revised programs

- [German Minor Revision Academic Catalog Entry.docx](https://nextcourses.illinois.edu/programadmin/
- [German Minor Revision side by side comparison.docx](https://nextcourses.illinois.edu/programadmin/
- [GER 494 Not Found Explanation.pdf](https://nextcourses.illinois.edu/programadmin/

Attach a side-by-side comparison with the existing program AND, if the revision references or adds “chose-from” lists of courses students can select from to fulfill requirements, a listing of these courses, including the course rubric, number, title, and number of credit hours.

Catalog Page Text

Catalog Page Text: Description of program for the catalog page. This is not official content, it is used to help build the catalog pages for the program. Can be edited in the catalog by the college or department.

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EP Documentation

Attach
Rollback/Approval
Notices

DMI Documentation

Attach Final
Approval Notices

Attached
Document

Justification for this request

Program Reviewer
Comments

Key: 370
Hi Amy: We already took care of PS approval when we first filed the paperwork. Prof. Rudolph's message is below. Let me know if you need anything in addition.

Best,

Carl

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From: Rudolph, Thomas J <rudolph@illinois.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 8:42 AM
To: Niekerk, Carl Hendrik
Subject: RE: Request Support / German Curricular Reform

Professor Niekerk,

The Department of Political Science has no objection to undergraduates in German taking PS 385 "Politics of the European Union" for credit. We do, of course, reserve the right to allow political science majors to have first crack at course registration.

Thomas Rudolph
Professor and Head

-----Original Message-----
From: Niekerk, Carl Hendrik <niekerk@illinois.edu>
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 7:45 PM
To: Rudolph, Thomas J <rudolph@illinois.edu>
Subject: Request Support / German Curricular Reform

Dear Thomas Rudolph: I am working on a revision of the major in German. Instead of requiring a set of very specific courses, in the future we will allow students to pick courses from a set of electives. Among these electives, we would like to add GER 385 / PS 385 "Politics of the European Union." In order to be allowed to do so, we need a brief statement from your department (e-mail is fine) stating that PS intends to keep offering the course, and that it does not object to undergraduates in German taking it for credit. Could you send em a brief message to that effect? Let me know if you have questions.
Many thanks.
Carl Niekerk

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Germanic Studies: German Minor

for the Minor in Germanic Studies

department website: https://www.germanic.illinois.edu

department faculty: Germanic Languages & Literatures Faculty

overview of college admissions & requirements: Liberal Arts & Sciences

college website: https://las.illinois.edu/

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Germanic Studies: Revise the Minor in German

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Hi Katie,

Sorry for the delay on the course. I’ve reached out to the MACS committee chair to get the ball rolling. Once she approves I’ll keep it moving along on our side and keep you posted.

Thanks!
Katie

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Under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act any written communication to or from university employees regarding university business is a public record and may be subject to public disclosure.

Hi Katie:

It was nice to see you at the sorority thing the other night! I’m writing this morning in hopes that you could do me a favor. GER 494 has been sitting with MACS in the CIM since November 1st. This is a course that the department asked to be discontinued last year, secondary to a 6-10 violation. Since that time, they decided to revise their major and minor programs and wanted to bring GER 494 into those programs as an elective. Thus, they asked for the course to be reinstated. It’s cross-listed with MACS, which is why it’s with MDIA now.
We are trying to send forward the German minor revisions, but GER 494 is showing up as “not found” and so the Provost’s office doesn’t want to send the proposal to EPC without at least annotation about this. I’m wondering if you could talk with the people in the MDIA cue for the course and let them know the circumstances, so they could approve it on their end? I promise there’s nothing new at all about this course. It’s also fine if MACS wants to de-crosslist; we just need to get the course moving through the system.

Happy to talk on the phone if this is at all confusing, or if you have questions.

Thanks much for your time!

Kelly

Kelly Ritter  
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