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To: Dean Van Galen, Chancellor 116 North Hall University of Wisconsin-River Falls

From: James Madsen, Chair Faculty Senate

University of Wisconsin-River Falls

March 2, 2011

RE: UWRF Faculty Senate Motion 2010-2011/29

At the March 2, 2011 meeting of University of Wisconsin-River Falls Faculty Senate, motion 2010-2011/29 was passed and it is effective immediately. This motion is forwarded to you for your action.

Motion from the Academic Programs & Policy Committee (Jim Zimmerman, Chair) to approve the changes in the Sociology major, Sociology minor, and Anthropology minor as requested by the faculty of the Sociology Department (CAS).

Approved	
Disapproved	
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Dean Van Galen, Chancellor	Date

TRANSMITTAL for UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS: Changes or Proposals

INFORMATION

 Program title: Sociology Major, Sociology. Anthropolo 	
3. College(s): College Of Arts And S	
4. Proposal prepared by: Tricia Davis Da	ate: 11/26/2010
5. Check all that apply:	
 New program □ Change in course name ☑ Change in Major □ Change in course content 	 Existing program Change in number of credits Change in Minor Change in Emphasis/Option
6. Other Programs/Departments Constor Programs substantially affected):	ulted (Requires letters of support from all Departments
 Women And Gender Studies Film Studies 	3. 4.
7. Date of Implementation:Fall Semester	r 2011 Year
8. Have all courses in this program bee If "No," which ones? New Course	en approved? Yes ⊠ No □ s: Soci 231, 411, 421, 431, 441
9. Attach Request Narrative. (Include de	scription of program before and after proposed changes).
be affected by the changes or proposal. Signature 1	fall Departments Chairs and Deans whose programs will lines for the affected Departments and Colleges (Noted gnatures should be obtained prior to review by all other
	Signature Date /
Department Chair	10/25/10
College Curriculum Cmtt. Chair	benly 11/3/10
Dean of College	11/3/10
University Curriculum Cmtt. Chair Barbar	a S Milson 12/15/10
Academic Policy & Programs Cmtt. Chair	mer G Jammen 2/8/11
Faculty Senate Chair Can WC.	3/3/11
Provost / Vice Chancellor	3/3/11
Chancellor	3/1/11
NOTE: The master copy of this transmittal and accoffice upon final approval. The Provost's office wi	ompanying documents must be filed in the Provost's ll notify all appropriate administrative offices

[Registrar, Dean(s), and Department Chair(s)] of approvals and necessary actions to implement changes.

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DEPARTMENT & COLLEGE APPROVAL SIGNATURES

	Signature	Date	
Department Chair			
College Curriculum Cmtt. Chair _			
Dean of College			
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Department Chair			
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Dean of College			

October 25, 2010

The Film Studies Program at UWRF supports the changes in prerequisites for SOCI 310. The changes are:

- Change in prerequisites. OLD prerequisite: SOCI 100 or ANTH 100 or FILM 200 or consent of instructor.
- NEW prerequisite: SOCI 100 or FILM 200 or consent of instructor.

Ken Stofferahn Director of Film Studies UWRF



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TO: Tricia Davis, SACJ Curriculum Chair

FROM: Michelle Parkinson, Women's and Gender Studies Coordinator

RE: Changes in Co-listed Courses

DATE: 10/26/2010

This memo is to inform you that we approve the following changes to these co-listed courses.

SOCI/WGST 326: Sociology of Gender Roles

change in prerequisites. It was SOCI 100 or ANTH 100. Prerequisite is now: SOCI 100 or consent
of instructor.

SOCI/ANTH/WGST 221: Global Perspectives on Women

• has a change in number: SOCI/ANTH/WGST 331: Global Perspectives on Women SOCI/WGST 323: Sociology of Family

• has a change in number and change in prerequisites: SOCI/WGST 342: Sociology of Family. Prerequisites are now: SOCI 100 or consent of instructor.

Description and Narrative for Program Changes Sociology Major & Minor Anthropology Minor

Current Sociology Major = 39 Total Credits

Required	Core	Courses:	18	cr. hr	s.
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SOCI 100 Introduction to Sociology or	
ANTH 100 Introduction to Anthropology	(supporting course)
SOCI 200 Sociological Inquiry	3 cr.
SOCI 208 Sociology of Diversity or	
SOCI/ANTH 225 Sociology of Race and Ethnicity	3 cr.
SOCI 250 Social Statistics	3 cr.
SOCI 300 Research Methods	3 cr.
SOCI 400 Social and Cultural Theory	3 cr.
SOCI 480 Senior Seminar	3 cr.

Directed Electives: 21 cr. hrs.

15 credits must be at 300/400 level with at least 6 credits at the 400 level

New Sociology Major = 39 Total Credits

Required Core Courses: 15 cr. Hrs.

SOCI 100 Introduction to Sociology	(supporting cours
SOCI 200 Sociological Inquiry	3 cr.
SOCI 201 Theories of Sociology	3 cr.
SOCI 250 Social Statistics	3 cr.
SOCI 300 Research Methods	3 cr.
SOCI 480 Senior Seminar	3 cr.

Directed Electives: 15 Credits

Choose 3 credits from Culture and Community Emphasis: 3 cr. ANTH 100 Cultural Anthropology 3 cr. SOCI 210 Social Problems 3 cr.

SOCI 218 Deviant Behavior 3 cr. SOCI/FILM 310 Sociology Through Film 3 cr.

SOCI/ANTH 314 Faces of Culture 3 cr. 3 cr.

SOCI/ANTH 316 Social and Cultural Change Choose 3 credits from Diversity and Inequality Emphasis: 3 cr.

SOCI 220 Sociology of Diversity: Race, Class, and Gender 3 cr.

SOCI 321 Power and Inequality 3 cr.

SOCI/ANTH 322 Race and Ethnicity 3 cr. SOCI/WGST 326 Sociology of Gender Roles 3 cr.

SOCI 328 Perspectives on Race Relations 3 cr.

Choose 3 credits from Globalization Emphasis: 3 cr.

SOCI 231 Sociology of Globalization 3 cr.

SOCI/ANTH/WGST 331 Global Perspectives on Women 3 cr.

SOCI 332 Environmental Sociology 3 cr.

SOCI/ANTH 333 Human and Cultural Origins	3 cr.
SOCI/ANTH 338 Global Perspectives on Health and Di	sease 3 cr.
SOCI/ANTH 395 Belize Study Tour	3 cr.
Choose 3 credits from Life Course Emphasis:	3 cr.
SOCI 241 Social Psychology	3 cr.
SOCI 341 Sociology of Later Life	3 cr.
SOCI/WGST 342 Sociology of the Family	3 cr.
SOCI 343 Sociology of Sport and Leisure	3 cr.
Choose 3 credits from the following:	3 cr.
SOCI 411 Seminar in Culture and Community	3 cr.
SOCI 421 Seminar in Diversity and Inequality	3 cr.
SOCI 431 Seminar in Globalization	3 cr.
SOCI 441 Seminar in Life Course	3 cr.

Electives: 9 cr.

9 credits of electives must be numbered 300 or above. Courses may come from either the directed electives listed above or the following:

SOCI 378 Semester Abroad Research
SOCI 379 Internship in Sociology
3-6 cr.
6-12 cr.

(only 6 can apply in major)

SOCI 389 Special Topics in Sociology 3 cr.
SOCI 490 Readings 1-2 cr.
SOCI 499 Independent Study 1-2 cr.

The goal with the new curriculum is to have a strong methodological core along with four areas of emphasis that fit with the department's mission and support the University's mission and strategic plan. In terms of content, the Sociology program remains the same. The difference is structural. The sequencing, in both the required core and directed electives, is designed to develop a series of skills in students. These skills are cumulative and begin with those developed in the introductory core courses (i.e. the 200-level courses).

Required Core Changes: 18 credits to 15 credits and sequencing

In the old curriculum, the 18 credits included a course in diversity. Since the university has a requirement for diversity, and in our new curriculum we have an emphasis in diversity and inequality, we do not believe there is a need for 3 required diversity credits in the major; thus the change to only 15 required credits. Based on the requirements of the directed electives (see below), students will be taking at least one diversity course. The other change is with the content and sequencing of SOCI 200, 300 and 480. Previously, SOCI 200 was an introduction to modern sociological theories and techniques of research design. In order to adequately cover these areas, we recognized that the existing course had to be split into two different courses, one focusing on techniques of research design (SOCI 200) and the other on theory (SOCI 201). Thus, SOCI 200 will provide the sociology major/minor with an introduction to the concepts and tools for conducting sociological research. This includes a beginning effort to formulate a research project and writing a literature review. The next course in the methodological sequence is SOCI 300 – Research Methods. In this course, students will further develop the project they started in SOCI

200 and will learn the actual methods necessary for engaging in sociological research. At the conclusion of SOCI 300, students will have a research proposal prepared to carry out when they get to SOCI 480 – Senior Seminar. In SOCI 480, the student will then conduct the sociological research and will be required to report their results in both oral and written form.

ANTH 100 is no longer a choice in the core requirements. In the past, students who took this course, instead of SOCI 100, found it difficult to grasp the theories and concepts in SOCI 200. Thus, we have taken it out of the core. Note, however, that it is now an elective in the Culture and Community emphasis.

Directed Electives Changes

In the old curriculum, students were to take 15 credits at the 300/400 level with at least 6 credits at the 400 level. The issue here is that students could potentially graduate with a sociology major without ever taking a course in an area that we as a department, and as a university, want to emphasize – preparing global citizens. Thus, we believe it is important to structure the curriculum around four important themes in sociology that fit well with the department's and university's mission and strategic goals: culture and community, diversity and inequality, globalization, and life course. Students need to take a minimum of one course out of each area, where at least 15 credits must be at the 300/400 level and at least 3 credits at the 400 level. Furthermore, we have structured the curriculum within each of these areas in the following way:

- 200-level: These courses lay the foundation for the 300 level. 200 level courses provide introductions to, or principles of, areas of study within sociology. Taking these courses will develop students' basic writing skills. They may or may not have prerequisites.
- 300-level: These courses lay the foundation for the 400 level. Courses at this level will
 require students to synthesize, integrate, and critically think about sociological ideas that
 require advanced writing skills.
- 400-level: These are highly specialized courses and capstone seminars. Intensive writing, prerequisites, a level of readiness, and advancement within the major is required for this advanced level work.

The department seeks to provide a challenging and well-rounded education that will serve as a solid foundation for students who pursue professional or graduate studies or who embark on a career after earning their baccalaureate degree.

Current Sociology Minor = 24 Total Credits

Required Courses: 9 cr. hrs.

SOCI 100 Introduction to Sociology or

ANTH 100 Introduction to Anthropology (supporting course)

SOCI 200 Sociological Inquiry 3 cr.

SOCI 208 Sociology of Diversity or

SOCI/ANTH 225 Sociology of Race and Ethnicity 3 cr.

SOCI 400 Social and Cultural Theory 3 cr.

General Electives in Sociology/Anthropology 15 cr. hrs.

At least 9 credits must be at 300/400 level.

New Sociology Minor = 24 Total Credits

Required Courses: 6 cr. hrs.

SOCI 100 Introduction to Sociology (supporting course)
SOCI 200 Sociological Inquiry 3 cr.
SOCI 201 Theories of Sociology 3 cr.

General Electives in Sociology/Anthropology 18 cr. hrs.

Sociology has a great deal to offer students from other disciplines. Pre-med students, business majors, and education majors can all benefit from the insights into human behavior that come from a familiarity with sociological theory and analysis. Students choosing to minor in sociology have two required courses beyond the supporting course. SOCI 200, Sociological Inquiry, provides students with an introduction to the concepts and tools for conducting sociological research, including beginning to formulate a research project and writing a literature review. SOCI 201, Theories of Sociology, provides students with an explanation as to why a phenomenon occurs. The focus is on major social theorists and their contributions to the field as well as classical and modern theoretical schools in sociology.

ANTH 100 is no longer a choice in the required courses of the sociology minor. In the past, students who took this course, instead of SOCI 100, found it difficult to grasp the theories and concepts in SOCI 200. Thus, we have taken it out of the core. We have left the general electives open so students can choose courses based on their interests, which may possibly fit their major area of study.

Current Anthropology Minor = 24 Total Credits

Required Courses: 12 cr. hrs.

SOCI 100 Introduction to Sociology or

ANTH 100 Cultural Anthropology (supporting course)

Choose one of the following courses:

SOCI/ANTH 221 Global Perspectives on Women 3 cr.

ANTH 225 Sociology of Race and Ethnicity 3 cr.

Take the following courses:

ANTH 247 Human and Cultural Origins 3 cr.

ANTH 348 Faces of Culture 3 cr.

Choose one of the following courses:

ANTH 228 Native American Cultures 3 cr.

SOCI/ANTH 338 Global Perspectives on Health & Disease 3 cr.

SOCI/ANTH 211 Global Perspectives on Children 3 cr.

General Electives in Sociology/Anthropology 12 cr. hrs.

At least 6 credits must be at 300/400 level

New Anthropology Minor = 24 Total Credits Required Courses: 12 cr. hrs.

ANTH 100 Cultural Anthropology	(supporting course)
SOCI 231 Sociology of Globalization	3 cr.
SOCI/ANTH 314 Faces of Culture	3 cr.
SOCI/ANTH 333 Human and Cultural Origins	3 cr.
Choose one of the following courses:	
SOCI 220 Sociology of Diversity: Race, Class, and Gende	r 3 cr.
SOCI/ANTH 322 Race and Ethnicity	3 cr.
General Electives in Sociology/Anthropology 12 cr. hrs.	
Choose from:	
SOCI/ANTH 316 Social and Cultural Change	3 cr.
SOCI/WGST 326 Sociology of Gender Roles	3 cr.
SOCI/ANTH/WGST 331 Global Perspectives on Women	3 cr.
SOCI 332 Environmental Sociology	3 cr.
SOCI/ANTH 338 Global Perspectives on Health and Disea	ase 3 cr.
SOCI/WGST 342 Sociology of the Family	3 cr.
SOCI/ANTH 395 Belize Study Tour	3 cr.

The Anthropology minor is valuable for students who anticipate international careers or working in professional capacities that require interaction with members of non-mainstream cultural groups. The new core requirements reflect the changes being made in the department as a whole. Recent hiring in the department focused on internationalizing the curriculum, and to that end courses in globalization have been developed that address needs in both sociology and anthropology. The core requirements introduce students to the two main fields of Anthropology – cultural (ANTH 100) and biological (ANTH 333). The core also requires Sociology of Globalization (SOCI 231) so that students can recognize that issues of culture occur throughout the world, as well as a course in advanced cultural studies (ANTH 314). The last course in the minor is one of two diversity courses (SOCI 220 or SOCI/ANTH 322). The directed elective courses include those focusing on culture and community, globalization, and family. The new arrangement of the minor allows the student to examine the field of anthropology as it addresses patterns and processes of cultural change, with a focus on how people live in particular places, how they organize and govern, and how they create meaning.