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Christina Palmer, Chair
College Faculty Executive Committee

Dear Christina,

I have reviewed the Diversity requirement proposal and wish to offer my perspective with regards to time-to-degree concerns. Students will be able to satisfy the Diversity requirement without taking additional courses beyond what is already required, unless they wish to do so or do not plan their courses to overlap. All students in the College, regardless of major, are required to take General Education courses, including courses in the Humanities and Social Sciences, from which a substantial number of diversity courses will likely be drawn. Also, College students are required to complete 60 units of upper division coursework, including the major courses. Since most majors are approximately 45-50 units, leaving 10-15 units of elective coursework, students could also take diversity courses that overlap with the upper division requirement. Finally, our experience with student behavior has shown that students are always looking to maximize their courses to overlap with multiple requirements, and I would expect that to be the case here as well. Thus, the Diversity requirement will not necessarily require that students stay longer.

Sincerely,



Corey Hollis