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To: Professor Ray Knapp, Chair  
Faculty Executive Committee, College of Letters and Sciences

**Re: PROPOSAL TO REVISE UNDERGRADUATE MAJORS**

Dear Professor Knapp,

The Department of French and Francophone Studies proposes below a revision of its existing undergraduate majors in the department:

- French B.A. -- French/Francophone Studies in Literature and Culture (Plan I)
- French B.A. -- Interdisciplinary French/Francophone Studies (Plan II)
- French and Linguistics B.A. (Plan III)

A Curriculum Committee was appointed to revise the programs. Their findings were presented to the department faculty.

**French B.A. -- French/Francophone Studies in Literature and Culture (Plan I)**

In the existing Major, eight courses (4 units each) were required in French and Francophone literature and/or culture selected from upper division offerings in the department in language, civilization, literature, or the arts. Two upper division elective courses were authorized from outside the department and could be substituted in the major program with the consent of the undergraduate adviser. The new requirement would allow any 7 100-level courses (4 units) from French and Francophone Studies (with option to select 1 course from outside FFS). Option for total number of courses from outside FFS reduced from 2 courses to 1. This change would reduce the overall number of UD electives from 8 to 7. Overall change would be 54 to 47 units.

**French B.A. -- Interdisciplinary French/Francophone Studies (Plan II)**

In the old major, at least two courses were required in French and Francophone literature; one additional elective course normally be selected from upper division offerings in the department in language, civilization, literature, or the arts; five upper division elective courses in fields relevant to French and Francophone studies to be selected in or outside the department in consultation with the undergraduate adviser. In the new major, any 4 100-level courses (4 units each) could be selected from French and Francophone studies, so long as they were 4 courses (4 units each) in

related areas to be selected from outside the department (in consultation with DUS). This would result in the overall number of UD electives remaining the same (8). Compared to the previous plan, students would now be required to take 4 courses within FFS (as opposed to 3), with the option to take up to 4 courses outside FFS (as opposed to 5). Overall change would be 58 to 46 units.

### **French and Linguistics B.A. (Plan III)**

Two courses were required from 105, 107, 108A, 108B, 109, 110; Linguistics 103, 110, 120A, 120B, and 165A or 165B (all of these were 4 units each). The new requirement would include 2 of the following from French and Francophone Studies: 105, 107, 108, 109, 110 (4 units), 1 UD elective (4) and all 4 of the following Linguistics courses: 103, 110, 120A, 120B (4 units ea.). The overall reduction would be from 12 UD courses to 11 UD courses. 108 A and B (courses on translation) would be merged into a single course called 108: Translation Workshop; this course may be taught by any faculty in FFS. The Linguistics courses would be reduced by 1 UD (165 A/B would no longer be required). The overall change would be from 50 to 46 units.

### **Rationale for Changes**

Our department has undergone significant transformation since 2001 when we became a Department of French AND Francophone Studies – expanding our curricular offerings towards a more global approach to the study of France and to those cultures where French is spoken. Our recent Academic Senate review (January 2010) confirmed that these changes had been positive – although our curricular offerings have been dramatically diversified with new hires since 2000, much of the curricular reform we have engaged in has concerned the graduate program. The Academic Senate review provided us with the opportunity to revisit the structure of our UG program and Major, and Challenge 45 has allowed us to act upon our own internal conclusions but also to adopt those recommendations made by the Academic Senate review team. We believe our revised major will offer greater flexibility, improve UG time-to-degree, assist UG students in fulfilling UG requirements, while also making more efficient use of faculty resources and specializations across the curriculum.

Respectfully yours,



Dominic Thomas  
Chair & Professor

**Challenge 45****Department: French and Francophone Studies****Major/Degree: French B.A.****Concentration: French/Francophone Studies in Literature and Culture (Plan I)**

<b>Current Major</b>	<b>Min Units</b>	<b>Max Units</b>	<b>Proposed Major</b>	<b>Min Units</b>	<b>Max Units</b>
French 100	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	French 100 Combined content of 100 & 101)	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>
French 101	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	French 101 (formally 102)	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>
French 102	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>			
Two from French 114A-114C	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	Two from French 114A-114C	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>
Eight upper division French courses	<b>32</b>	<b>32</b>	Seven upper division French courses	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>Total Units in Major*</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>54</b>		<b>47</b>	<b>48</b>

\*Range depends on which 4-unit or 5-unit classes students choose.

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**Decision Process:**

A Curriculum Committee was appointed to review the Major. Their findings were shared with the faculty and discussed in several department meetings.

**Faculty Vote: 12 Approve 0 Disapprove 1 Abstain**

**Date: April 19, 2010**

**Challenge 45****Department: French and Francophone Studies****Major/Degree: French B.A.****Concentration: Interdisciplinary French/Francophone Studies (Plan II)**

<b>Current Major</b>	<b>Min Units</b>	<b>Max Units</b>	<b>Proposed Major</b>	<b>Min Units</b>	<b>Max Units</b>
French 100	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	French 100 Combined content of 100 & 101)	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>
French 101	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	French 101 (formally 102)	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>
French 102	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>			
Two from French 114A-114C	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	One from French 114A-114C	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>
Two upper division French courses	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	Four upper division French courses	<b>16</b>	<b>18</b>
One upper division French elective	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>			
Five upper division electives in courses related to French/Francophone	<b>20</b>	<b>25</b>	Four upper division courses in related areas	<b>16</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Total Units in Major*</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>61</b>		<b>46</b>	<b>52</b>

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## Challenge 45

**Department: French and Francophone Studies**

**Major/Degree: French and Linguistics B.A. (Plan III)**

Current Major	Min Units	Max Units	Proposed Major	Min Units	Max Units
French 100	4	4	French 100 Combined content of 100 & 101)	5	5
French 101	4	4	French 101 (formally 102)	4	4
French 102	4	4	French 104	4	4
Two from French 114A-114C	10	10	One from French 114A-114C	5	5
Two from French 105, 107, 108A, 108B, 109, 110	8	8	Two from French 105, 107, 108, 109, 110	8	8
			One upper division French elective	4	5
Linguistics 103, 110, 120A, 120B and 165A or 165B	25	25	Linguistics 103, 110, 120A, 120B	20	20
<b>Total Units in Major*</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>55</b>		<b>50</b>	<b>51</b>

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## French B.A./French and Linguistics B.A. Majors

UCLA General Catalog 2009-10 <del>struckthrough</del> to be <i>deleted</i>	Proposed changes to the text in the next catalogue <u>underlined</u> to be <i>added</i>
<p><b>Preparation for the Majors</b></p> <p>Required: French 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 12, or equivalent. Students normally take course 6 before undertaking course 12. Students who receive a grade of A in course 5 may enroll in course 12 concurrently with course 6, with consent of the instructor. Students in Plan III must also take Linguistics 20.</p>	<p><b>Preparation for the Majors</b></p> <p>Required: French 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 12, or equivalent. Students normally take course 6 before undertaking course 12. Students who receive a grade of A in course 5 may enroll in course 12 concurrently with course 6, with consent of the instructor. Students in Plan III must also take Linguistics 20.</p>
<p><b>Transfer Students</b></p> <p>Transfer applicants to the French majors with 90 or more units must complete the following introductory courses prior to admission to UCLA: two years of French and one French literature course. Students in Plan III must also complete an introduction to linguistics course. Refer to the UCLA Transfer Admission Guide at <a href="http://www.admissions.ucla.edu/prospect/adm_tr.htm">http://www.admissions.ucla.edu/prospect/adm_tr.htm</a> for up-to-date information regarding transfer selection for admission.</p>	<p><b>Transfer Students</b></p> <p>Transfer applicants to the French majors with 90 or more units must complete the following introductory courses prior to admission to UCLA: two years of French and one French literature course. Students in Plan III must also complete an introduction to linguistics course. Refer to the UCLA Transfer Admission Guide at <a href="http://www.admissions.ucla.edu/prospect/adm_tr.htm">http://www.admissions.ucla.edu/prospect/adm_tr.htm</a> for up-to-date information regarding transfer selection for admission.</p>
<p><b>The Majors</b></p> <p>Three plans are offered by the department:</p> <p><b>Plan I: French/Francophone Studies in Literature and Culture</b></p> <p>Plan I leads to the Bachelor of Arts in French. Required: <del>Thirteen upper division courses, including</del> French 100, 101, <del>102</del>; two courses from 114A, 114B, 114C; <del>at least six</del> courses in French and Francophone literature and/or culture selected from upper division offerings in the department in language, civilization, literature, or the arts. <del>Two</del> upper division elective courses from outside the department may be substituted in the major program with consent of the undergraduate adviser.</p>	<p><b>The Majors</b></p> <p>Three plans are offered by the department:</p> <p><b>Plan I: French/Francophone Studies in Literature and Culture</b></p> <p>Plan I leads to the Bachelor of Arts in French. <i>Required:</i> French 100 and 101, two courses from French 114A-114C, <u>seven</u> courses (<u>4 units each</u>) in French and Francophone literature and/or culture selected from upper division offerings in the department in language, civilization, literature, or the arts. <u>One</u> upper division elective course from outside the department may be substituted in the major program with consent of the undergraduate adviser. <u>All courses must be taken for a letter grade.</u></p>
<p><b>Plan II: Interdisciplinary French/Francophone Studies</b></p> <p>Plan II, with emphasis on French and Francophone culture, leads to the Bachelor of Arts in French and is a core program in French allowing for individual selection of relevant courses in related fields such as humanities, social sciences, women's studies, and linguistics. Required: <del>Thirteen upper division courses, including</del> French 100, 101, <del>102</del>; two courses from 114A, 114B, 114C; <del>at least two</del> courses in French and Francophone literature; <del>one additional elective course normally selected from upper division offerings in the department in language, civilization, literature, or the arts</del>; <del>five</del> upper division elective courses in fields relevant to French and</p>	<p><b>Plan II: Interdisciplinary French/Francophone Studies</b></p> <p>Plan II, with emphasis on French and Francophone culture, leads to the Bachelor of Arts in French and is a core program in French allowing for individual selection of relevant courses in related fields such as humanities, social sciences, women's studies, and linguistics. <i>Required:</i> French 100 and 101; <u>one</u> course from French 114A-114C; <u>four upper division courses</u> in French and Francophone <u>Studies</u>; <u>four</u> upper division elective courses in fields relevant to French and Francophone studies to be selected outside the department in consultation with the undergraduate adviser. <u>All courses must be taken for a letter grade.</u></p>

<p>Francophone studies to be selected in or outside the department in consultation with the undergraduate adviser.</p>	
<p><b>Plan III: French and Linguistics</b>  Plan III leads to the Bachelor of Arts in French and Linguistics. In addition to the normal preparation for the major, students are required to complete the sixth term of work in one other foreign language or the third term in each of two other foreign languages. Linguistics 20 is required as preparation for the major. Required: Twelve upper division courses, including French 100, 101, <del>102</del>; two courses from 105, 107, <del>108A, 108B</del>, 109; <del>two</del> courses from 114A, 114B, 114C; Linguistics 103, 110, 120A, 120B, <del>and 165A or 165B</del>.</p>	<p><b>Plan III: French and Linguistics</b>  Plan III leads to the Bachelor of Arts in French and Linguistics. In addition to the normal preparation for the major, students are required to complete the sixth term of work in one other foreign language or the third term in each of two other foreign languages. Linguistics 20 is required as preparation for the major.  <i>Required:</i> French 100, 101, <u>and 104</u>; <u>one</u> course from French 114A-114C; two courses from French 105, 107, <u>108, 109, 110</u>; <u>one upper division French elective course</u>; Linguistics 103, 110, 120A and 120B. <u>All courses must be taken for a letter grade.</u></p>
<p>It is strongly advised that students who intend to pursue advanced degrees begin preparation for the language requirements at the undergraduate level.</p> <p>If students' knowledge of French exceeds the preparation usually received in courses preparing for the major and if they demonstrate the requisite attainment in French 100, 101, <del>or 102</del>, they may substitute for those courses in grammar and composition an equivalent number of upper division courses in the French and Francophone Studies Department in consultation with an adviser. All prospective French majors who are native or quasi-native speakers of French must see the undergraduate adviser before beginning upper division work in the major.</p> <p>All majors must complete a minimum of nine courses of appropriate upper division work in the UCLA French and Francophone Studies Department. Freshmen and sophomores may take up to two courses taught in English, selected from French 164 through 167, in fulfillment of major requirements (if taken in the junior or senior year, these courses count as electives). A maximum of 8 units of course 199 may be applied toward the elective requirements for the major if approved in advance by the undergraduate adviser. Students must maintain a C average in upper division major courses in order to remain in any of the French majors.</p> <p>Coursework taken on a Passed/Not Passed basis is not acceptable in any area of the major program. It is recommended that students intending to major in French consult the undergraduate adviser before enrolling in upper division courses.</p>	<p>It is strongly advised that students who intend to pursue advanced degrees begin preparation for the language requirements at the undergraduate level.</p> <p>If students' knowledge of French exceeds the preparation usually received in courses preparing for the major and if they demonstrate the requisite attainment in French 100 or 101, they may substitute for those courses in grammar and composition an equivalent number of upper division courses in the French and Francophone Studies Department in consultation with an adviser. All prospective French majors who are native or quasi-native speakers of French must see the undergraduate adviser before beginning upper division work in the major.</p> <p>All majors must complete a minimum of nine courses of appropriate upper division work in the UCLA French and Francophone Studies Department. Freshmen and sophomores may take up to two courses taught in English, selected from French 164 through 167, in fulfillment of major requirements (if taken in the junior or senior year, these courses count as electives). A maximum of 8 units of course 199 may be applied toward the elective requirements for the major if approved in advance by the undergraduate adviser. Students must maintain a C average in upper division major courses in order to remain in any of the French majors.</p> <p>Coursework taken on a Passed/Not Passed basis is not acceptable in any area of the major program. It is recommended that students intending to major in French consult the undergraduate adviser before enrolling in upper division courses.</p>