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Dean William Blomquist School of Liberal Arts

Dear Dean Blomquist:

What follows is a summary of the work of the Liberal Arts Graduate Curriculum Committee for the 2012-13 school year. The committee members were Robert Aponte, Kristina Horn Sheeler, Ye Zhang, Rachel Wheeler, and Audrey Gertz. I served as chair; Prof. Aponte served as co-chair in the spring term.

The Committee oversaw the approval for a new graduate certificate program in Translation Studies sponsored by the Department of World Languages and Culture, and for the individual courses that will serve the certificate program: F560 (Translation); F693 (Internship in Translation); and F694 (Projects in Translation).

The Medical Humanities and Health Studies Program also submitted a graduate certificate proposal, which was sent back to the program for revision of MHHS M501 (Perspectives on Health and Disease) and M595 (Clinical Practicum) course syllabi.

The thesis research course number G598 was approved for use by eight departments: Anthropology, Communications Studies, Economics, Geography, History, Philosophy, Sociology, and Spanish.

The Philosophy Department proposed a doctoral minor in bioethics, which the Committee approved at its final meeting of the year. The Department also moved forward with a five-year co-terminal BA/MA degree in Philosophy, which needs slight revisions before it is sent forward. The Department was particularly busy developing new grad-level courses and the Committee approved four of these: P515, Medieval Philosophy; P536, Wittgenstein; P543, Social and Political Philosophy; and P561, Philosophy of Mind.

The Political Science Department and Communication Studies collaborated on the development of a course on Political Communication (Y644 and C644), and the latter sought and gained approval of two other courses in health communication, the emphasis of the impending doctoral program in Communication Studies: C621, Persuasion; and C650, Health Communication through Mediated Channels.

The Economics Department developed new numbers for its graduate theory courses, distinguishing between the Master's-level course, E511, and the Doctoral-level course, E521.

Although German G551, Structure of German, was approved and sent forward by the Committee, the creator of the course, Prof. Daniel Nützel, tragically passed away during the spring term. The course will be "on the books," as World Languages determines how to proceed.

Course approvals that were still pending at the end of the school year were for History H518, International Humanitarian Assistance, and Geography G478/ G578, Global Food Systems. Both of these courses have been sent back to the respective departments for revision and resubmission next year.

Altogether the Committee sent forward twenty new syllabi (including the G598 courses) and one certificate program, with four courses and one certificate program still pending revision.

I am happy to serve as a resource for this committee, despite my sabbatical during 2013-14.

Sincerely,

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Committee