Faculty Senate
Curriculum Committee

Bilingual Business Certificate in Spanish
Minor in Museum Studies
A request from the College of Business to discontinue the Bilingual Business Certificate in Spanish was presented due to low enrollments in the program and the difficulties in locating instructors that can teach the courses in Spanish.
The Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee recommends the approval of the discontinuation of the Bilingual Business Certificate in Spanish program.

Curriculum Committee Recommendation
The College of Liberal and Fine Arts submitted a proposal to create a Minor in Museum Studies that will provide students with “opportunities to develop and interdisciplinary relationship with the arts, material culture, cultural production, cultural history, and natural history, through theoretical and practical training in the display and interpretation of exhibited objects.”

Minor in Museum Studies
Minor requires 18 SCH (most are existing courses)

9 SCH of required courses

- MSM 3XX3 (Fundamentals of Museum Studies)
- MSM 4XX3 (Topics of Museum Science)
- MSM 4XX3 (Museum Internship)

Comprehensive list of elective courses has been provided (see proposal on RowdySpace)

Minor in Museum Studies
While the proposal establishes that “students are encouraged to enhance their language skills through additional coursework”, the committee members felt that there was a rather low probability that students would even select one language course out of the 24 possible elective courses.

In addition, the members of the committee recommend that the courses COM 2113, ENG 2413, and IDS 2083 be removed as possible electives as these are more general courses not specific to the minor. While the committee members understand that these courses were included to address the cited statement above, a student could fulfill 9 SCH of elective using these courses which do not enhance the minor compared to any general education requirement.

Minor in Museum Studies
The Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee recommends the approval of the Minor in Museum Studies with the recommendation that COM 2113, ENG 2413, and IDS 2083 be removed from the approved electives for the minor.

Curriculum Committee Recommendation