TO: College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee

FROM: Rose-Marie Avin
WGSS Program Director

DATE: August 6, 2019

RE: Program Change

We request implementation of the following program change with the next possible Catalog.

Name of Program: Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Major, Liberal Arts

Program Code: 485-201

Date of Department/Program Approval: April 22, 2019 and May 6, 2019


To: 1) Remove WGSS 250 as part of the WGSS Major core requirement, decrease the core credits to 15 and increase the electives to 21; 2) Remove the option of WGSS 301 in the core; 3) Add the optional electives of AIS 444 and SOC 415.

Why: The Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies requests these changes to increase the flexibility of the WGSS major. 1) The WGSS Program does not have the resources to offer WGSS 250 offer every year; 2) WGSS 301 has been dropped from the curriculum; 3) Adding AIS 444 and SOC 415 as elective options will widen the choices of students completing the Major and will be valuable experiences for those who take them.

Overall, making these changes will help the WGSS majors graduate in a timely manner. Also, by giving students more flexibility, that would help us recruit more students into the Program.

Attachment