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RE: Annual Update on Program Review, L&S 2017-18

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I am pleased to respond to your request dated June 4, 2018 for an update on L&S Program Review Activities.

- A. In addition to the reviews reported as completed in Attachment A, the L&S Academic Planning Council also completed reviews of several other programs. Please contact me if you do not have documentation concerning any of the following reviews:
- a. Certificates in:
 - i. Afro American Studies
 - ii. Chinese Professional Communication
 - iii. Japanese Professional Communication
 - b. Majors and Degrees in:
 - i. Anthropology (BA/BS major, MA/MS, PhD)
 - ii. Classical and Ancient Near Eastern Studies (MA, PhD)
 - iii. Conservation Biology (BA/BS)

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- iv. International Public Affairs and Public Affairs (MIPA, MPA)
- v. Latin American, Caribbean, and Iberian Studies (BA/BS major, MA) – completed in partnership with the Institute for Regional and International Studies; further action required
- vi. Statistics (BA/BS major, MS, PhD, Data Science named option)

B. Of the reviews in progress, we provide the following updates:

- a. Self-Study in progress:
 - i. Biology BA/BS major, including Named Option Plant Biology (due 2/1/19)
 - ii. Communication Sciences and Disorders (BA/BS major, MS, PhD, and post-baccalaureate capstone certificate, due 1/14/19)
 - iii. Creative Writing MFA (due 10/31/18)
 - iv. Linguistics (BA/BS major, MA, PhD, due 1/1/19)
- b. Self-Study Submitted, review committees to be convened or actively working:
 - i. Jewish Studies BA/BS major
 - ii. Religious Studies BA/BS major
 - iii. Second Language Acquisition PhD
 - iv. Graduate Certificate in the Transdisciplinary Study of Visual Culture
- c. Self-Study materials received, APC discussion pending:
 - i. Freshwater and Marine Science (MS, PhD)
 - ii. In cooperation with the Institute for Regional and International Studies,
 - 1. African Studies (Graduate Certificate)
 - 2. Russian, East European, and Central Asian Studies (MA, Graduate Certificate)
 - 3. Southeast Asian Studies (MA)
- d. Additional information, related to these reviews in progress:
 - i. The Institute for Regional and International Studies has informed L&S that we can expect to receive proposals to discontinue the graduate certificates in European Studies and in Southeast Asian Studies. I anticipate APC discussion of this request in Fall 2018.
 - ii. All programs administered by the Department of Comparative Literature and Folklore Studies have been suspended; during this period, students who are enrolled are able to take courses needed for the programs and have access to advising while the plan for departmental restructuring is being finalized.

C. We will communicate with departments offering programs to be charged with new review by October 1, 2018, including

- a. Capstone Certificate in Computer Sciences for Professionals
- b. Economics (BA/BS major, MS, PhD, and named option in Graduate Foundations)
- c. English (BA/BS major, MA, PhD)
- d. French (Undergraduate Certificate)
- e. Geology and Geophysics (BA/BS major) and Geoscience (MS, PhD)
- f. Political Science (BA/BS major, MA, PhD)

- D. As noted in your memorandum, a number of L&S academic programs were in suspended status.
- a. Lacking proposals to revised and continue programs, memoranda have been issued related to discontinuation of the following:
 - i. Capstone Certificate in French Studies
 - ii. Graduate Certificate in Material Culture Studies
 - b. We are awaiting final disposition from the faculty concerning;
 - i. International Politics and Policy Capstone Certificate
 - ii. History of Science, Medicine, and Technology BA/BS major
 - c. We have learned that the Department of History intends to discontinue the BA/BS major in History and History of Science, Medicine, and Technology; I anticipate APC discussion of this request in Fall 2018.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.