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**ALL numbers in section (A) need to be completed, including the impact ones.**

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| A.1. [Course or program](#Proposal) | **Modern Languages Department Minors: French, Italian, Portuguese, and spanish** | | | |  |
| [Replacing](#Ifapplicable) |  | | | |
| A.2. [Proposal type](#type) | **Program:** [**revision**](#revision) | | | |
| A.3. [Originator](#Originator) | **Silvia Oliveira** | [Home department](#home_dept) | **Modern Languages** | | |
| A.4. [Context and Rationale](#Rationale) | **The Modern Languages Department offers 6 minor degree programs:**   1. **Four (4) in French, Italian, Portuguese, Spanish, for a total of 18-20 credits including 201, 202 and “*10-12 credit hours of additional courses . . . . at the 300-level or above.”*** 2. **Two (2) in Latin American Studies and Francophone Studies on a flexible interdisciplinary curriculum (“*any 6 courses . . . . chosen with the consent of the advisor*”).**   **This proposal affects only group a. Minors in French, Italian, Portuguese and Spanish.**  **Given that 200 level courses correspond to the 5th and 6th semesters of language (3rd year), completing a minor is very challenging for students who start learning a language at the 101 level and plan to graduate by the end of their 8th semester (4th year).**  **In order to incentivize more students to declare a minor, the Modern Languages Department proposes the following change to the four minor degree programs: adding FREN/ITAL/PORT/SPAN 115 and eliminating one FREN/ITAL/PORT/SPAN 300 level course from the requirements. The total number of credits remains the same (18-20). The course progression in the minor becomes as follows: FREN/ITAL/PORT/SPAN 115, 201, 202 and 6*-8 credit hours of additional courses . . . . at the 300-level or above.***  **FREN/ITAL/PORT/SPAN 115 courses fulfill the Literature requirement of General Education and also the Second Language requirement. With this proposal, 115 will also count for the minor degrees.**  **Note also that FREN, ITAL and PORT 115 are now only being offered in the Spring.** | | | | |
| A.5. [Student impact](#student_impact) | **This change will incentivize more students to declare minors in MODLAN** | | | | |
| A.6. [Impact on other programs](#impact) |  | | | | |
| A.7. [Resource impact](#Resource) | [*Faculty PT & FT*](#faculty): | **No change** | | | |
| [*Library*:](#library) | **No change** | | | |
| [*Technology*](#technology) | **No change** | | | |
| [*Facilities*](#facilities): | **No change** | | | |
| A.8. [Semester effective](#Semester_effective) | **Fall 2019** | A.9. [Rationale if sooner than next Fall](#Semester_effective) | |  | |
| A.10. INSTRUCTIONS FOR CATALOG COPY: This single file copy must include ALL relevant pages from the college catalog, and show how the catalog will be revised. (1) Go to the “Forms and Information” page on the UCC website. Scroll down until you see the Word files for the current catalog. (2) Download ALL catalog sections relevant for this proposal, including course descriptions and/or other affected programs. (3) Place ALL relevant catalog copy into a single file. Put page breaks between sections and delete any catalog pages not relevant for this proposal. (4) Using the track changes function, revise the catalog pages to demonstrate what the information should look like in next year’s catalog. (5) Check the revised catalog pages against the proposal form, especially making sure that program totals are correct if adding/deleting course credits. If new copy, indicate where it should go in the catalog. If making related proposals a single catalog copy that includes all is acceptable. Send as a separate file along with this form. | | | | | |

C. [Program Proposals](#program_proposals) **complete only what is relevant to your proposal Delete this whole page if the proposal is not revising, creating, deleting or suspending any progam.**

|  | [Old (for revisions only)](#old_program) | New/revised |
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| C.1. [Enrollments](#enrollments) |  |  |
| C.2. [Admission requirements](#admissions) |  |  |
| C.3. [Retention requirements](#retention) |  |  |
| C.4. [Course requirements](#course_reqs) for each program option | French Minor  Requirements  The minor in French consists of 18-20 credit hours, as follows:  Courses   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | FREN 201 | Advanced French: Conversation and Composition | 4 | F | | FREN 202 | Advanced French: Composition and Conversation | 4 | Sp |   and 10-12 credit hours of additional courses in French at the 300-level or above.  Total Credit Hours: 18-20  Italian Minor  Requirements  The minor in Italian consists of 18-20 credit hours, as follows:  Courses   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | ITAL 201 | Conversation and Composition | 4 | F | | ITAL 202 | Composition and Conversation | 4 | Sp |   and 10-12 credit hours of additional courses in Italian at the 300-level or above.  Total Credit Hours: 18-20  Portuguese Minor  Requirements  The minor in Portuguese consists of 18-20 credit hours, as follows:  Courses   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | PORT 201 | Conversation and Composition | 4 | F | | PORT 202 | Composition and Conversation | 4 | Sp |   and 10-12 credit hours of additional courses in Portuguese at the 300-level or above.  Total Credit Hours: 18-20  Spanish Minor  Requirements  The minor in Spanish consists of 18-20 credit hours, as follows:  Courses   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | SPAN 201 | Conversation and Composition | 4 | F, Sp | | SPAN 202 | Composition and Conversation | 4 | F, Sp |   and 10-12 credit hours of additional courses in Spanish at the 300-level or above.  Total Credit Hours: 18-20 | French Minor  Requirements  The minor in French consists of 18-20 credit hours, as follows:  Courses   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | FREN 115 | Literature of the French-Speaking World | 4 |  | | FREN 201 | Advanced French: Conversation and Composition | 4 | F | | FREN 202 | Advanced French: Composition and Conversation | 4 | Sp |   and 6-8credit hours of additional courses in French at the 300-level or above.  Total Credit Hours: 18-20  Italian Minor  Requirements  The minor in Italian consists of 18-20 credit hours, as follows:  Courses   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | ITAL 115 | Italian Literature | 4 |  | | ITAL 201 | Conversation and Composition | 4 | F | | ITAL 202 | Composition and Conversation | 4 | Sp |   and 6-8 credit hours of additional courses in Italian at the 300-level or above.  Total Credit Hours: 18-20  Portuguese Minor  Requirements  The minor in Portuguese consists of 18-20 credit hours, as follows:  Courses   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | PORT 115 | Literature of the Portuguese-Speaking World | 4 |  | | PORT 201 | Conversation and Composition | 4 | F | | PORT 202 | Composition and Conversation | 4 | Sp |   and 6-8 credit hours of additional courses in Portuguese at the 300-level or above.  Total Credit Hours: 18-20  Spanish Minor  Requirements  The minor in Spanish consists of 18-20 credit hours, as follows:  Courses   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | SPAN 115 | Literature of the Spanish-Speaking World | 4 |  | | SPAN 201 | Conversation and Composition | 4 | F, Sp | | SPAN 202 | Composition and Conversation | 4 | F, Sp |   and 6-8 credit hours of additional courses in Spanish at the 300-level or above.  Total Credit Hours: 18-20 |
| C.5. [Credit count](#credit_count) for each program option | **18-20** | **18-20** |
| C.6. Other changes if any |  |  |
| C.7 [Program goals](http://www-prod.ric.edu/curriculum_committee/documents/Program%20goals)  Needed for all new programs |  |  |

## D. Signatures

* Changes that affect General Education in any way MUST be approved by ALL Deans and COGE Chair.
* Changes that directly impact more than one department/program MUST have the signatures of all relevant department chairs, program directors, and relevant dean (e.g. when creating/revising a program using courses from other departments/programs). Check UCC manual 4.2 for further guidelines on whether the signatures need to be approval or acknowledgement.
* Proposals that do not have appropriate approval signatures will not be considered.
* Type in name of person signing and their position/affiliation.
* Send electronic files of this proposal and accompanying catalog copy to [curriculum@ric.edu](mailto:curriculum@ric.edu) and a printed or electronic signature copy of this form to the current Chair of UCC. Check UCC website for due dates.

##### D.1. Approvals: required from programs/departments/deans who originate the proposal. may include multiple departments, e.g., for joint/interdisciplinary prposals.

| Name | Position/affiliation | [Signature](#_Signature" \o "Insert electronic signature, if available, in this column) | Date |
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| Earl Simson | Dean of Faculty of Arts and Sciences |  |  |