## Cover Sheet: Request 12980

## French and Francophone Studies Minor

Info

| Process | Minor\|Modify/Ugrad |
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| Status | Pending at PV - University Curriculum Committee (UCC) |
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| Description of <br> request | The request is to drop the required amount of credit hours for the French and Francophone <br> Studies Minor from 17 CRH to 16 CRH. This does not involve any changes in course offerings or <br> required courses. |

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## Responses

## Name

Enter the name of the minor.
Response:
French and Francophone Studies minor

## Code

Enter the two or three letter specialization code that identifies the minor in the student information system.
Response: FFS

## Effective Term

Enter the term (semester and year) at which the modification should be effective.
Response:
Spring

## Effective Year

Response: 2018

## Proposed Changes

Describe the proposed changes to the minor.
Response:
The French section wants to change the minor to 16 CRH instead of 17.

## Pedagogical Rationale/Justification

Describe the rationale for the proposed changes.
Response:
As a result of programmatic changes at the 2000-level (merger of two classes into one and subsequent reduction from 5 to 4 hours), the majority of students request a 1-credit hour independent study to reach the 17 hour requirement. Changing the credit requirement from 17 to

16 hours will allow more students to complete the minor through coursework alone, thus encouraging those who might otherwise be discouraged from doing so.

## Impact on Other Programs

Describe any potential impact on other programs or departments, including increased need for general education or common prerequisite courses, or increased need for required or elective courses outside of the existing program.

Response:
No impact, except a change in the catalog and student audits. All required courses would still apply.

The French minor currently consists of 17 hours, including the following three required courses:
FRE 2221 (Intermediate French II, 4 cr)
FRE 3300 (Grammar and Composition, 3 cr)
FRE 3320 (Composition and Stylistics, 3 cr)
Students then choose other FRE, FRW and FRT courses at the 3000- and 4000-levels to total 17 credit hours.

Several years ago, students completing the minor were required to take FRE 2201 (Intermediate French II, 3 cr ) and FRE 2241 (Conversation, 2 cr ), for a total of 5 hours. This was followed by four 3-credit courses (FRE 3300, FRE 3320 and two electives) to total 17 hours. A programmatic decision was made to combine FRE 2201 and 2241 into one 4-credit hour course (FRE 2221). The unintended consequence was that students now need an additional 13 credits for the completion of the minor. This is difficult to achieve, given the preponderance of 3 -credit hour courses offered. We are requesting a change in the minor, reducing the total number of required hours to 16 . This will allow students to complete the minor with four courses (two required, two electives), and no need for independent studies.

## FRENCH AND FRANCOPHONE STUDIES MINOR

- At least three courses (none can be individual work) of no fewer than three credits each must be at the 3000 level or above.
- Of the total credits, no more than three may be individual work.
- A minimum of nine credits must be completed at UF.
- Students must complete a minimum of six credits of coursework exclusive to the minor that cannot count toward the major(s) or other minors.


## Required Courses

Course List

## Code

FRE 2221

FRE 3300

FRE 3320

FRE, FRW, or FRT courses ${ }^{1}$

Total Credits

At a level higher than FRE 2221.

## Credits

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