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Subject: Proposal to Add a Workshop Requirement to all 5 majors and 2 minors in the Dept of French and Italian
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[FRIT World Languages Skills and Competencies Workshop CoverLetter AU19.pdf](#)

Dear Randy and Katie,

Please find attached a proposal to add a World Languages Skills and Competencies Workshop Requirement to all 5 majors and 2 minors in the Dept of French and Italian. The proposal was approved by the ASC Curriculum Committee (ASCC) on Friday, December 6.

We are now advancing the proposal for review by CAA. The attached documents are (1) the actual proposal and (2) the Arts and Humanities 1 Panel cover letter to ASCC.

The contact person for this proposal is Janice Aski.

Please use this email as a cover letter indicating that the proposal has been duly reviewed and approved by the appropriate ASC curricular bodies (including the full ASC Curriculum Committee).

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best regards,
Bernadette



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December 5, 2019

Associate Professor Alison Crocetta
Chair, Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee

Re: Approval of Addition of World Languages Skills and Competencies Workshop in
French and Italian Programs

Dear Alison,

On Tuesday, November 7, 2019, the Arts and Humanities Panel 1 of the ASCC reviewed a proposed the addition of World Languages Skills and Competencies Workshop requirement for majors in Italian, Italian Studies, French, French and Francophone Studies, and Romance Studies, and minors in French and Italian.

The two-hour workshop will be offered each Fall and Spring semesters and co-taught by a faculty member or an advanced graduate student with a representative from Career Services. The goal of the workshop is to help undergraduate majors and minors in French, Italian, and Romance Studies develop the ability to articulate transferable skills that they have acquired throughout their undergraduate study of a world language.

The panel agreed on the importance of such a workshop and the role it will play in students advising and future career. A few questions and concerns were raised which were addressed by the department immediately. On November 21, 2019, the panel unanimously approved the proposal to add the World Languages Skills and Competencies Workshop as a requirement for all majors and minors in the Department of French and Italian. We now advance the proposal to the Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee with a motion to approve.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Taleghani-Nikazm".

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October 17, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

The World Languages Skills and Competencies Workshop was developed in response an encounter with a graduating senior who studied with Prof. Aski. This student was mildly distraught and said she was graduating *ONLY* with a double major in Italian and Spanish and didn't know what she was going to do. She felt that she could never get a job. This advising episode made Prof. Aski realize that undergraduates are not aware of the amazing and sought-after skills that they develop by studying a world language. The workshop, that will be offered both Autumn and Spring semesters, was developed in order to help UG majors and minors in world languages articulate these transferable skills. The goals of the workshop are the following:

At the end of this workshop students will be able to:

1. Concisely define 'intercultural competency';
2. Identify the behaviors and skills of a person who has achieved a high level of intercultural competency;
3. Give concrete examples of how they have developed intercultural competency during their study of (a) world language(s) and/or through other experiences during their time at OSU;
4. Describe these skills on a resume;
5. Describe to a potential employer the skills you have developed through your time as a student of a world language and your development of intercultural competency.

The two-hour workshop is offered every Autumn and Spring semester, co-taught by a faculty member or an advanced graduate student and a representative from Career Services (the first workshop was by Janice Aski from FRIT and Stephanie Ford). The workshop will be a requirement for majors in Italian, Italian Studies, French, French and Francophone Studies and Romance Studies, and minors in French and Italian. Students will receive a letter of attendance that they can submit to their advisor demonstrating completion of the requirement.

With the incorporation of Intercultural Competence into the goals of the new GE and general awareness of its importance in our increasingly interconnected world (Intercultural Competence is ranked fourth of the top ten work skills needed for the future:

<http://www.iftf.org/futureworkskills/>), we feel that this workshop is a necessary addition to our majors and minors.

Sincerely,



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