



Date: November 5, 2021

To: Hossein Saiedian, University Senate President
Faculty in the Department
Barbara A. Bichelmeyer, Provost & Executive Vice Chancellor

From: Karen Moeller, Chair Academic Policy and Procedure committee

Re: Program Discontinuance of Co- Major in European Studies

In Accordance with University Senate Rules and Regulations USRR 8.2, the Academic Policies and Procedure committee (AP&P) has reviewed the documentation and held an open public hearing on September 29, 2021 regarding the recommendation to discontinue the Co-Major in European Studies offered in the Center for Global and International Studies (GIST) in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at the University of Kansas.

In the submitted documentation titled "Recommendations for Discontinuance of an Active Academic Program," GIST has proposed moving the co-major in European Studies to a concentration within its BA degree and is projected to be available to students beginning Spring or Summer of 2022. The European Studies minor will remain available to students. A last admit term of Fall 2021 has been placed on the EURS co-major. GIST cites challenges attracting students to this major in their documentation.

At the public hearing on September 29, 2021, no one spoke for or against proposed changes. No written statements were received for committee review.

On October 22, 2021, the AP&P Committee met to discuss the submitted documentation and the hearing. AP&P recommends by a majority vote that the Co-major in European Studies be discontinued. The recommendation to discontinue is made with the understanding that students currently enrolled in the program will be allowed to complete their degrees. Additionally, no faculty or staff will be terminated by this action. The committee agrees the planned changes are in the best academic interests of the University and adequate provisions have been made for present students and for the rights of faculty and staff in the program.

Documentation Reviewed by the Committee:

1. Recommendation for Discontinuance of an Active Academic Program, September 7, 2021
2. Program Review, February 2013

C: John Colombo, Interim Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences