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March 14, 2014

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Douglas Estry, Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education
and Dean of Undergraduate Studies

FROM: Dr. John Gaboury, Associate Provost for Academic Services

RE: Request to Phase Out and Discontinue the Specialization in
Canadian Studies

For Transmittal to the University Committee on Undergraduate
Education (UCUE)

The request referenced above is being sent to the University Committee on Undergraduate Education (UCUE) in accordance with the *Bylaws for Academic Governance*, 4.4.

UCUE Response Requested:

Please ask the UCUE to consider the request referenced above and provide consultative commentary. Please mail the related materials referenced under the heading Attachments at the end of this memorandum to UCUE members.

After receiving UCUE's consultative response, the Provost will make a determination to discontinue or not to discontinue this program. If the Provost determines that the program will be discontinued, the request will be forwarded to the University Committee on Curriculum for deletion of curriculum and degree requirements.

If you have any questions, please call Joy Speas, University Curriculum Administrator at 5-8420.

Thank you.

Attachments:

1. Request to Discontinue an Academic Program form dated March 13, 2014: Specialization in Canadian Studies and attachments.
2. Student Enrollments by Program; Student Awards by Programs (for the request referenced above).

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View a Program		Main Menu
Joy Speas, RO	Friday, 3/14/2014	
Program Name: Canadian Studies Degree: SPCU Sequence Number: 3	Program Request ID: 2656	
Effective Dates: Summer 2014 Status: Interim Initial Action: Deleted		
Requested Date: 3/13/2014 3:23:09 PM		
<p>1. Department/School/College: 38766 College of Social Science</p> <p>2. Name of Program: Canadian Studies</p> <p>3. Name of Degree: SPCU</p> <p>4. Type of Program: <i>Program currently in moratorium</i></p> <p>5. Effective Start Semester: <i>SS11-SS14</i> Summer 2014</p> <p>Effective End date: Summer 2014</p> <p>Will the proposed change(s) have a negative impact on students? If so, which ones?: No. There are no currently active students in the specialization.</p> <p>Describe impact and explain what accommodations will be made: The College and Center are now in process of working toward development of a new minor in Canadian Studies, restructured to ensure that students will have access to an appropriate range of courses.</p> <p>Reason(s) for change(s): Enrollment in the Canadian Studies specialization has been very low in recent years. There are no current students in the specialization. In addition, review of the curriculum demonstrated that the program is difficult for students to complete because required or selective course options are limited or not offered on a regular basis. In consultation with International Studies and Programs and the Canadian Studies Center, for which CSS administers the specialization, the program was placed in moratorium effective Spring 2011, extended to Spring 2014. The College and Center are now in process of working toward development of a new minor in Canadian Studies, restructured to ensure that students will have access to an appropriate range of courses. We anticipate that that new minor will be reviewed by the College Committee on Curriculum and Academic Policies later this semester. The new minor will be significantly different from the current specialization, including a broader range of courses. If the College committee concludes that the problems afflicting the previous specialization have been adequately addressed, we anticipate that the new minor might be submitted to governance for a 2015 start to the new minor.</p>		

DEPARTMENT LEVEL APPROVAL STATUS

Approved: College of Social Science
3/13/2014 3:25:14 PM by Michael Connelly for Ethan Segal, Associate Dean

COLLEGE LEVEL APPROVAL STATUS

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Undergraduate Specializations - Student Enrollments and Awards By Program

Program - Description	Span		FY04	FY05	FY06	FY07	FY08	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	Total
Social Science - Continued													
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4453-Asian Studies	FQ89-	Enrollments	65	80	101	94	103	79	101	72	61	35	791
		Awards	10	19	19	16	36	18	31	31	26	1	207
		%	15%	24%	19%	17%	35%	23%	31%	43%	43%	3%	26%
→ 4701-Canadian Studies	SS98-FS10	Enrollments	1	0	1	0	2	2	1	1	0	0	8
		Awards	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	4
		%	100%	0%	100%	0%	0%	50%	0%	100%	0%	0%	50%
4723-Chicano/Latino Studies	FS99-	Enrollments	126	103	129	110	89	82	56	60	42	33	830
		Awards	3	5	11	9	4	4	4	5	7	5	57
		%	2%	5%	9%	8%	4%	5%	7%	8%	17%	15%	7%
7651-Gender and Global Change	US07-	Enrollments	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	1	3	1	10
		Awards	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	3
		%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	50%	0%	67%	0%	30%
4449-International Development	FQ83-	Enrollments	28	31	47	59	86	110	103	72	52	53	641
		Awards	8	13	11	12	10	24	31	24	17	13	163
		%	29%	42%	23%	20%	12%	22%	30%	33%	33%	25%	25%
4658-Latin Amer & Caribbean Studies	WQ89-	Enrollments	147	155	96	70	117	137	119	131	81	44	1,097
		Awards	26	35	25	17	11	23	26	24	16	6	209
		%	18%	23%	26%	24%	9%	17%	22%	18%	20%	14%	19%
4726-Peace and Justice Studies	FS01-	Enrollments	62	68	69	82	99	102	137	139	107	71	936
		Awards	8	8	9	10	12	14	23	20	22	16	142
		%	13%	12%	13%	12%	12%	14%	17%	14%	21%	23%	15%

Fiscal Year (FY) counts are distinct student counts within the Summer, Fall, and Spring terms.
 e.g. FY07=distinct student count within Summer 06, Fall 06, and Spring 07.
 If a student changed majors within the FY, he/she is counted under both majors.

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SPECIALIZATION IN CANADIAN STUDIES

The Specialization in Canadian Studies is designed for students who plan careers with an international orientation focused on inter-American relations involving Canada. The specialization provides an opportunity for students to increase their understanding of:

1. the processes of social, economic, political, and cultural change in Canada and in Canada's international relations.
2. how the structure of the contemporary world system influences Canadian affairs.
3. how culture shapes the process of national development in one of the major world regions.

Multidisciplinary in theory and practice, the specialization is based on the methodologies, theories, and literatures of the social sciences and liberal arts. It involves faculty from the social sciences, arts, languages, and applied professional fields.

The specialization is available as an elective to students who are enrolled in bachelor's degree programs at Michigan State University. The specialization is administered by the College of Social Science.

With the approval of the department and college that administer the student's degree program, the courses that are used to satisfy the requirements for the specialization may also be used to satisfy the requirements for the bachelor's degree.

Students who elect the specialization are encouraged to study French or another language spoken by a significant minority in Canada.

The academic advisor for Canadian studies in the College of Social Science, located in Room 205 South Kedzie Hall, coordinates the specialization on behalf of the Dean. That advisor assists the student in planning a program of study that is tailored to the student's interests, disciplinary major, and career objectives. The student's program of study for the specialization must be approved **in advance and in writing** by both the advisor for Canadian studies and the Associate Dean for Academic and Student Affairs in the College of Social Science.

Requirements for the Specialization in Canadian Studies

The student must complete a minimum of 18 credits at the 200 level or above, distributed as follows:

	CREDITS
1. Core courses:	10
a. The following course:	
ISS 336 Canada: Social Science Perspectives (I)	4
Integrative Studies in Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences 336 may be used to satisfy both the requirements for the Specialization in Canadian Studies and university requirements.	
b. Six credits from the following courses:	
ENG 465 Canadian Literature	3
GEO 230 Geography of United States and Canada	3
HST 329 History of Canada	3
2. Eight additional credits in courses relevant to Canadian studies including 4 credits related to one of the following options:	
a. A study abroad experience.	
b. An internship with a public or private sector agency or organization.	