Subject: Critical Culture and Theory Minor

TO: Mitch Masters (ASCC Chair)
FROM: Tim Leasure (A&H Panel Chair)

Dear Mitch:

In May 2012, the Arts and Humanities panel reviewed a proposal from the Department of English for the semester version of their Critical Culture and Theory Minor. Within this interdisciplinary minor are three areas of study: Disciplinary Theory, Theory in Practice, and Transdisciplinary Theory. Students must take at least one course from each area.

While the cover letter and semester advising sheet contained minor errors, the A&H panel nevertheless voted unanimously to approve the minor. The English department has subsequently fixed the errors and submitted a revision.

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Tim Leasure
Associate Professor
Associate Director
School of Music
Credit Hour Explanation

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Program Learning Goals

Note: these are required for all undergraduate degree programs and majors now, and will be required for all graduate and professional degree programs in 2012. Nonetheless, all programs are encouraged to complete these now.

Program Learning Goals

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Assessment

Assessment plan includes student learning goals, how those goals are evaluated, and how the information collected is used to improve student learning. An assessment plan is required for undergraduate majors and degrees. Graduate and professional degree programs are encouraged to complete this now, but will not be required to do so until 2012.

Is this a degree program (undergraduate, graduate, or professional) or major proposal? No

Program Specializations/Sub-Plans

If you do not specify a program specialization/sub-plan it will be assumed you are submitting this program for all program specializations/sub-plans.

Pre-Major

Does this Program have a Pre-Major? No
**Attachments**

- Conversion cover letter.doc: Conversion Cover Letter  
  (Letter from Program-offering Unit. Owner: Lowry,Debra Susan)
- Critical and Cultural Theory Minor Update 3-8-12.doc: Converted Advising Sheet  
  (Semester Advising Sheet(s). Owner: Lowry,Debra Susan)
- Critical and Cultural Theory Minor Update 8-17-10B.pdf: Previous Advising Sheet  
  (Quarter Advising Sheet(s). Owner: Lowry,Debra Susan)
- Transition Policy.doc: Transition Policy  
  (Transition Policy. Owner: Vankeerbergen,Bernadette Chantal)
- Conversion_cover_letter 5-4-12.doc: Conversion Cover Letter  
  (Letter from Program-offering Unit. Owner: Lowry,Debra Susan)
- Critical_and_Cultural_Theory_Minor_Update_5-4-12.doc: Converted Advising Sheet  
  (Semester Advising Sheet(s). Owner: Lowry,Debra Susan)
- ASCC Panel Chair letter_09May12.doc: ASCC A&H Panel Chair -- Cover letter  
  (Other Supporting Documentation. Owner: Vankeerbergen,Bernadette Chantal)

**Comments**

- Dept of English attached updated "Conversion Cover Letter" and "Converted Advising Sheet" (5-4-12) so please ignore previous versions of these docs. (by Vankeerbergen,Bernadette Chantal on 05/23/2012 01:26 PM)
- A&H-recommended revisions have been incorporated. Professors Phelan and Ettlinger prefer that only courses at the 3000-level or above be applied to this minor. (by Lowry,Debra Susan on 05/08/2012 10:02 AM)

**Workflow Information**

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April 25, 2012

To: ASCC A&H Panel
From: James Phelan
RE: Converting Critical and Cultural Theory Minor to Semesters

I am writing to confirm that I have reviewed and approved the attached documentation relevant to the conversion of the interdisciplinary minor in critical and cultural theory to the semester system. The conversion is a straightforward one with just about all the courses approved for the minor under quarters continuing in their converted forms.

For various reasons, especially the departure from campus of some of the faculty who were instrumental in designing the minor and getting it approved, the minor has been slow to get established. The first time the core course was offered it did not attract sufficient enrollment to run. But the second time it was offered—this past Winter—it did go, and the ten students had a positive experience. So we are generating a little momentum. We never expected the minor to attract a large number of students, but Nancy Ettlinger and I as well as the advisors in English, where the minor is now housed, are confident that, by emphasizing the way its design offers excellent and appropriately flexible preparation for graduate school in the Social Sciences and the Humanities, we can attract more students.
Critical and Cultural Theory Minor (English)

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While minor programs are not required for graduation, students are encouraged to complete them. They are especially useful for students to indicate a breadth of interest that goes beyond narrow specialization.

The Cultural and Critical Theory Minor is an interdisciplinary program which requires 15 credits distributed as follows: the 3-credit core course (Arts Sci 3331), one 3-credit course from each of the three broad categories of the minor, listed below, and an additional 3 hours from any listed category, all at the 3000 level or above, including the optional capstone course, Arts Sci 4531.

Students must take at least one course from the three categories below.

**Category A: Disciplinary Theory**
- Anthro 3525
- Comp Std 5970
- Econ 3048
- English 4577.03
- History of Art 4901
- Linguistics 4000
- Philos 3750
- Philos 3600
- Philos 5410
- Philos 5750
- Pol Sci 4450H

**Category B: Theory in Practice**
- ArtsSci 4531
- AFAmAST 4921 (Cross-listed in Comp Std and WGSSSt)
- AFAmAST 3440 (Crossed-listed in Philosophy)
- CompStd 4921 (Cross-listed in AFAmAST and WGSSSt)
- Comp Std 4845 (Cross-listed in WGSSSt)
- English 4573.02
- Geog 5502
- Philos 3420
- Philos 3440 (Cross-listed in AfAmAst)
- Pol Sci 3910
- WGSSSt 4845 (Cross-listed in Comp Std)
- WGSSSt 4921 (Cross-listed in AfAmAST and CompStd)
- WGSSSt 4575
- WGSSSt 5620

**Category C: Transdisciplinary Theory**
- ASC 4531
- English 4559
- English 4573.01
- English 4576.01
- English 4576.02
- English 4576.03
- Geog 5601
- History of Art 5640
- Philos 3810
- Philos 5450
- Philos 5650
- Pol Sci 4420H
- Pol Sci 3420
- Pol Sci 3440
- Pol Sci 6411
- Pol Sci 6412
- Pol Sci 6413
- Pol Sci 6414
- Soc 3488

**Note:** Students may not count courses for both their major and a minor. They must designate whether they will count a course for either the major or the minor.

**Cultural and Critical Theory minor program guidelines**

The following guidelines govern this minor.

- **Required for graduation**  No
- **Credit hours required**  A minimum of 15
- **Transfer credit hours allowed**  A maximum of 6
- **Overlap with the GEC**  Permitted
- **Overlap with the major**  Not allowed and
  - The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
  - The same courses cannot count on the minor and on the major.
- **Overlap between minors**  Each minor completed must contain 12 unique hours.
- **Grades required**
  - Minimum C- for a course to be listed on the minor.
  - Minimum 2.00 cumulative point-hour ratio required for the minor.
  - Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor.
- **Filing the minor program form**  The minor program form must be filed at least by the time the graduation application is submitted to a college or school counselor.
- **Changing the minor**  Once the minor program is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by:
  - The academic unit offering the minor.

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Curriculum and Assessment Services
154 Denney Hall, 164 W. 17th Ave.
http://artsandsciences.osu.edu
Update Pending 3-8-12
Transition Policy:

The faculty coordinators for the Critical and Cultural Theory minor will ensure in transition that students carry no undue burden owing to semester conversion. The minor is structured by course and specified course components so that requirements can be considered fulfilled in transition, credit hours notwithstanding. In transition, students who completed Women's Studies 550 may apply the course to the program although it will no longer pertain to the minor in future as it has been converted under semesters as a 2000-level course, WGGSt 2550. All other pertinent courses are available as semesters courses and there have been no new or additional requirements or components that might add cumulatively to a student's program to impede progress. Professional and faculty advisors will work with students to apply course work completed prior to conversion as appropriate and guarantee that progress within the minor results in its completion as planned.