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To: Administrative Boards of the College of Arts & Sciences and the General College

From: Nadia Yaqub, Chair, Department of Asian Studies

Re: Request for changes to the interdisciplinary Minor in Asian Studies

The provision regarding ASIA 451 is being deleted from the minor text now, since it has been over four years since the last time this course was offered (spring 2010).

A number of courses are also being added to and deleted from the minor, but these are all addressed by reference to the corresponding major, and thus require no change in the minor text.

Attached is a description of the minor as it would appear with the proposed changes.

Nadia Yaqub

Minoring in Asian Studies

A student may take an interdisciplinary minor in Asian studies by completing five courses from among those accepted for the interdisciplinary Asian studies major. At least two courses must be taken within the Department of Asian Studies, chosen from the list above in the section describing the major. The courses taken for the minor must include one from three of the six regions of Asia (China, Japan, Korea, Middle East, South Asia, Southeast Asia), as defined above in the section describing the major. Students interested in advanced Asian language training should consider the Arabic, Chinese, Hebrew, Hindi-Urdu, Japanese, or Korean minors.

No more than one first-year seminar may be counted toward the minor.

A student may not count toward the interdisciplinary minor in Asian studies both of any of the following pairs of courses: ASIA/HIST 138 and ASIA/RELI 180, ASIA/HIST 139 and ASIA/RELI 181, ~~ASIA 451 and ASIA/HIST 538~~.