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

The American Studies Department annually updates the courses that count for major credit in our elective categories. This year's changes include a recently approved course proposed by an American Studies faculty member and courses from other departments that we count for major credit. Courses that are no longer offered by other departments have been removed from the curriculum. These changes keep our curricular program current and minimize the number of substitution submissions to Tar Heel Tracker.

Small changes to the Major and Minor in American Studies: Regular Concentration, American Indian Studies Concentration, Southern Studies Concentration, Folklore Concentration and International American Studies Concentration are included in the attached *Undergraduate Bulletin* text with track-changes revisions reflecting the requested changes. We have confirmed these listings with the appropriate Department Chairs and faculty.

Additionally, the American Studies Department has one significant proposed change to our curriculum: changing the title of our American Indian Studies Concentration to American Indian and Indigenous Studies. Since the work of our affiliated faculty in Anthropology, Romance Languages and Linguistics focuses on indigenous peoples from a hemispheric perspective, the revised name will more accurately reflect the breadth of course offerings relevant to our teaching and research. Moreover, the proposed name change recognizes the alignment of our curriculum with the scope of the primary interdisciplinary professional organization to which our affiliated faculty belongs: the Native American and Indigenous Studies Association, or NAISA. The faculty of the American Studies Department and faculty affiliated with the curriculum in American Indian Studies have unanimously approved this name change.

Sincerely,

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