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To Whom It May Concern:

This is to confirm that WCL 3392 Introduction to Latin American Cultural Studies will serve as an elective in the Latin American Studies Minor.

Yours truly,

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Director Latin American Studies

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Dear Marsha, I’m writing to clarify several issues regarding the Latin American Studies Minor that has come before the Undergraduate Council. First, in regard to the proposed LAST 3000 course English 1304 would be an acceptable prerequisite. Second, I am not aware of any impact that the LAST minor would have on major or minor requirements in other colleges and departments, other than offering another minor field which students could include in their program. Third, in regard to our submission for WCL 3392, I’m proposing the following modification in the catalog language that appears on pp. 219-220:

A minor in Latin American Studies (LAST) requires a minimum of 18 semester hours: six hours of required coursework (LAST 3000, HIST 2371 or 2372, or SPAN 3374 plus either a 3000-level Spanish-language course or a course covering Mexican-American and/or Latin-related topics); three 3000 or 4000 level courses in one of three possible areas of concentration (Latin American Cultural Studies, including WCL 3392; Latin American History, Politics and Society; or Latin American Economics and Business Practices); and one additional course at the 4000-level in the student’s area of concentration. This course may be an independent study course focusing on a research project or an internship in the student’s area of concentration. Twelve of the 18 semester hours must be in residence, including 6 semester hours at the 3000- or 4000-level. A minimum 2.0 grade point average for all courses applied to the minor is required.