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PROPOSAL TO OFFER A MINOR IN FALL 2003

Proposed Name of Minor: Chicana/o Studies

Faculty Proposing Minor: Assistant Professor Frank Barajas and Professor Lillian Vega-Castañeda

1. Catalog Description:

MINOR in Chicana/o Studies (18-20 Units)

Affords students the opportunity to investigate the multi-dimensional culture of the Chicana/o community in the United States from various ways of knowing. Therefore the minor is, by definition, interdisciplinary and seeks to provide students with a nuanced appreciation of this population.

2. Justification for Proposed Minor (< 100 words):

In addition to providing students with a nuanced understanding of the history and culture of the Chicana/o community, the rigor of this area of study enhances the skills of critical thought as well as expression written and verbal. Employers within and outside of the public sector value not only these competencies but also seek out individuals sensitive to the background and world view of people of Mexican heritage considering the ever increasing influence of this population on our society.

3. Total Number of Units in the Minor (including pre-/ co-requisites):[1]

18-20 units

4. Lower-Division Requirements (including pre-/ co-requisites):[1,2]

6-8 Units

SPAN 201 Intermediate Spanish I (4)
SPAN 202 Intermediate Spanish II (4)
Or
SPAN 211 Spanish for Heritage Speakers I (4)
SPAN 212 Spanish for Heritage Speakers II (4)
Or
Six upper division units in Spanish approved by minor advisor.

1. **Upper-Division Requirements (including pre-/ co-requisites):**[1,2]

12 Units

Select four course from the following:

EDUC 464 The Chicana/o Child (3)
ART/HIST 333 History of Southern California Chicana/o Art (3)
BUS/ECON/HIST 349 History of Business & Economics in North America (3)
HIST 350 Chicana/o History and Culture (3) Title V
HIST 402 Southern California History and Culture (3)
HIST 421 Revolutionary Mexico, 1876-1930 (3)
Or
Other upper division courses approved by the minor advisor.

Notes:

1 All courses required for the minor must be listed. For example, the Chemistry minor requires 20 units of Chemistry courses, but several of the courses have the requirement of two semesters of Calculus (Calculus I and II). The lower-division requirements for the Chemistry minor must include these additional math courses.

2 The Academic Senate at CSUCI has approved that all minors must have a minimum of 15 units, 9 of which must be upper-division.