LETTER OF NOTIFICATION – 1

NAME CHANGE OF EXISTING CERTIFICATE, DEGREE, MAJOR, OPTION

OR ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT

(No change in program curriculum, option/emphasis/concentration or organizational structure)

* 1. Institution submitting request: University of Arkansas Fayetteville
  2. Contact person/title: Dr. Terry Martin, Senior Vice Provost for Academic Affairs
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  4. Proposed effective date: Fall 2019
  5. Current title of degree/certificate program: Master of Arts
  6. Current title of major or option/emphasis/concentration: Spanish with two concentrations in 1) Literature and 2) Pedagogy.
  7. Current title of organizational unit: Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences, Department of World Languages, Literatures, and Cultures.
  8. Proposed name of certificate/degree: No change.
  9. Proposed name of major or option/emphasis/concentration: Spanish with two concentrations in 1) Literature and 2) Language Learning and Teaching (only changing the second concentration).
  10. Proposed name of organizational unit: No change.
  11. Program CIP Code: 16.0905 – Spanish Language and Literature.
  12. Degree/Department Code: 5480/1390.
  13. Reason for proposed action:

The name change for the second concentration is necessary to reflect this concentration’s academic rigor and emphasis on research, which matches that of the Literature concentration.

* 1. Semester credit hours for proposed major or option/emphasis/concentration: 36 credit hours.
  2. Provide the curriculum/credit hours for the certificate/degree/major/option/emphasis/concentration listed above.

Aside from deficiencies, a minimum of 36 graduate credit hours is required for the degree. During their first semester, all students must take WLLC 5063 Teaching Foreign Languages on the College Level. In addition, 24 credit hours of Spanish literature at the 5000-level or higher is required. The remaining 9 credit hours comes from one of two concentrations listed below.

Literature concentration: Students will take SPAN 5703 Special Topics (in literature) or an equivalent research seminar, as approved by the graduate advisor. In this course, students will be required to present a research paper that meets professional research methods and standards. Students will also take an additional 6 credit hours in literature.

The comprehensive examination for the Literature concentration will include five areas of focus. This includes two periods from each tradition (Latin America and Spain) and at least two periods before 1900. The periods of concentration are Colonial, 19th century, 20th/21st century, and U.S. Latino/a for Latin America, and Medieval, Golden Age, 19th century, and 20th/21st century for Spain.

Language Learning and Teaching concentration: Students will take SPAN 5703 Special Topics (in language learning and teaching) or an equivalent research seminar, as approved by the graduate advisor. In this course, students will be required to present a research paper that meets professional research methods and standards. Students will also take an additional 6 credit hours in language learning and teaching.

For the Language Learning and Teaching concentration, the comprehensive examination will include five areas of focus. One area will be language learning and teaching. The four others will consist of literature and culture from four historical periods of the Hispanic world, including at least one period from each tradition (Latin America and Spain) and at least one period before 1900. The periods of concentration are Colonial, 19th century, 20th/21st century, and U.S. Latino/a for Latin America, and Medieval, Golden Age, 19th century, and 20th/21st century for Spain.

* 1. Provide additional program information if requested by ADHE staff.

President/Chancellor Approval Date: January 21, 2019

Board of Trustees Notification Date: March 28, 2019

Chief Academic Officer: James S. Coleman Date: January 10, 2019