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Dear Colleagues:

The attached proposal to make the following changes to combine programs in the Franklin College of Arts and Sciences will be an agenda item for the March 25, 2016, Full University Curriculum Committee meeting:

Terminate the major in French (M.A.)

Create a new Area of Emphasis in French/Francophone Literature and Culture, or French Linguistics under the major in Romance Languages (M.A.)

Sincerely,

William K. Vencill, Chair  
University Curriculum Committee

cc: Provost Pamela S. Whitten  
Dr. Rahul Shrivastav



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*Department of Romance Languages*

TO: Graduate School Curriculum Committee

FROM: *Stacey D. Casado*  
Stacey D. Casado, Professor and Head, Department of Romance Languages

DATE: March 13, 2016

RE: Merge M.A. French with M.A. Romance Languages

Last year the M.A. in French, with an area of emphasis in French and/or Francophone Literature and Culture, or in French Linguistics, was identified as a low-producing major. The Department of Romance Languages would like to terminate the M.A. in French and merge it with the existing M.A. in Romance Languages with the same two areas of emphasis. No aspect of the degree or course requirements will change.

# OUTLINE FOR DEACTIVATION OR TERMINATION OF A GRADUATE OR UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAM

## I. Basic Information

1. Institution: University of Georgia Date: 2/6/2016
2. School/College: Franklin College of Arts and Sciences
3. Department/Division: Romance Languages
4. Program  
Degree: M.A.  
Major: French
5. Deactivation \_\_\_\_\_ or Termination X
6. Last date students will be admitted to this program: May 15, 2016
7. Last date students will graduate from this program: May 15, 2017
8. Abstract of the deactivated or terminated program

The M.A. in French was identified as a low-producing major. As described below, we will not be terminating the actual degree, only renaming it.

The M.A. in French will be terminated as such but will be combined with the already existing M.A. in Romance Languages as one of the areas of emphasis offered. We currently offer an M.A. in Romance Languages where students can concentrate in Portuguese, Italian, or a combination of any of the two Romance Languages taught in the department (French, Italian, Portuguese and Spanish). As a low enrolling program, the termination of the M.A. in French and its combination with the M.A. in Romance Languages will ensure that we can continue to offer an M.A. degree in French and Francophone language, literature and culture, or in French linguistics. Students currently enrolled in the program will continue with the same plan of study and be expected to fulfill the same requirements. Thus, the combining of the M.A. in French with the M.A. in Romance Languages will not affect either the currently enrolled students in the program nor the faculty and staff involved in the program. The termination of the M.A. in French and its combining with the M.A. in Romance Languages will only serve to strengthen the graduate programs in the department. Graduates of the program will be eligible to apply to the Ph.D. in Romance Languages with an area of emphasis in French literature or linguistics.

## PROPOSAL FOR AREA OF EMPHASIS

1. School/College: Franklin College of Arts & Sciences

2. Department/Division: Romance Languages

3. Major: Romance Languages (M.A.)

*If major has more than one area of emphasis, submit all areas of emphasis under one major together. A course may appear in more than one area of emphasis, but each area of emphasis should have a distinct focus.*

4. Major Requirements: Attach a list of requirements for the major. Undergraduate programs may attach a copy of the major requirements from the online bulletin. Graduate programs may provide a list of general requirements for the major.

(See below)

5. Area of Emphasis Title (as it will appear in the Bulletin): French/Francophone Literature and Culture,  
or French Linguistics

6. Proposed starting date: August 11, 2016

7. Area of Emphasis Description:

Include prefixes, numbers and titles of required courses, number of credit hours required; residency requirements (if any); and grade requirements (if any). Graduate Areas of Emphasis may refer to groups of courses if necessary.

### Required Courses

*Area of Emphasis in French/Francophone Literature and Culture, or French Linguistics (Thesis Option)*

Total hours required: 30

FREN/ROML 7700 Teaching College French 3 hours

Elective courses (24 hours) to be selected from the list of French graduate courses and ROML 8000-level courses in language, literature, linguistics and culture. M.A. students with an emphasis in French Linguistics may take, in consultation with their Advisory Committee, up to two graduate courses with another prefix, such as LING or LLED. Students at the M.A. level are limited to three hours credit in ROML 8000.

FREN 7300 Master's Thesis 1-9 hours

In addition, a comprehensive examination and a thesis and oral defense of the thesis are required.

*Area of Emphasis in French/Francophone Literature and Culture, or French Linguistics (Non-Thesis Option)*

Total hours required: 33

See the requirements above, except that non-thesis students do not take FREN 7300, but take 30 hours of elective courses.

In addition, a comprehensive examination and an oral defense of the examination are required.