Dear University Curriculum Committee Members,

The Dance Program requests a Program Proposal change for the BA in Dance.

For the **BA in Dance** we wish to add Option 2 to the Language Requirements. Our Option 2 will require 6 credit hours of FL and 6 credit hours of DANC 4800; Independent Study. We have attached the proposal form that our students currently use when enrolling in DANC 4800 for a Directed Reading focus.

Additionally, where we currently have an open 6-10 electives, we wish to focus those credit hours towards DANC 3640; Teaching Creative Dance for Elementary, DANC 3320; Techniques and Materials for Modern Dance This is to support the overwhelming majority of our BA in Dance majors who are currently, and will be in the future, teaching dance in the private sector.

**JUSTIFICATION:**

**Adding Option 2- to the BA Language Requirement brings the Dance Program in alignment with many of the BA degree offerings in the university by providing our majors with both options in their studies. Additionally, the re-assignment of coursework in dance pedagogy courses, in lieu of the current 6-10 open electives, helps to focus students in relevant research and practice for private sector dance employment.**

Thank you,

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