

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, EAST BAY

Designation Code: **2010-11 CAPR 10** revised

Date Submitted: February 17, 2011

TO: The Academic Senate
FROM: Committee on Academic Planning & Review (CAPR)
SUBJECT: MLL **Minors** discontinuance
PURPOSE: For Action by the Academic Senate

ACTION

REQUESTED: That the Academic Senate approve the request of the Modern Languages and Literatures program to discontinue **Minors** in the following languages, effective Fall 2012:

- Portuguese
- Russian

BACKGROUND

INFORMATION: CAPR unanimously recommended at its February 17, 2011 meeting that the Academic Senate approve the request by the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures to discontinue two **Minors**, Portuguese and Russian, for which courses have not been offered since 2004 and 2002 respectively owing to a lack of tenure-track faculty with expertise in these area (following retirements) coupled with a general lack of demand for this language by CSUEB students. CAPR was informed that no students are currently pursuing these **Minors**, that there are no resource implications, and that no departments have raised concerns. One question raised by CAPR that was not addressed at the meeting was the issue of Russian being one of the federally designated “strategic languages” and if, therefore, there were plans to offer it at CSUEB via some other mechanism than through a formal **Minors** program. Several CAPR members expressed their sadness at the loss of these languages from the curriculum though it was noted that students still have a range of major, minor and option opportunities in other subjects.

(see also 10-11 CIC 11)

First Quarter/Year of Discontinuance Quarter: FALL Year: 2012 Date Submitted to APGS: 1/24/11 Catalog: 2012/13

**REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF DISCONTINUANCE OF
MINOR IN PORTUGUESE**

1. **Department:** Modern Languages & Literatures
2. Full and exact title of program, with name of major for options:
Portuguese Minor
3. List of **other options, minors, certificates, or credentials** in the major/department.
Minors are offered in Chinese Language and Cultural Studies, French, German, Italian, Russian (also requesting discontinuance), Sign Language, and Spanish.
4. **Purpose** of the Proposed Discontinuance: Portuguese courses have not been offered by the Department since Professor Warrin retired in 2004. No other programs will be affected by this discontinuance since no Portuguese courses have been offered since 2004.
5. **How many students** are currently pursuing this option, minor, certificate, or credential?
None, these courses haven't been offered since 2004.
6. The **Department is responsible for accommodating students** who are currently pursuing this option, minor, certificate, or credential in finishing their program: N/A
5. **RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:** None
6. **CONSULTATION** with other affected departments and program committee:
 - a) The following **department(s)** has (have) been consulted and raise **no objections**:
All Academic Departments and Programs at CSUEB were consulted using the Sharepoint Curriculum site and there were no objections.
 - b) The following **department(s)** has (have) been consulted and **raise concerns**: N/A
7. Certification of **DEPARTMENT APPROVAL** by the chair and faculty.
Chair: Monique Manopoulos Date: November 22, 2010
8. Certification of **COLLEGE APPROVAL** by the dean/associate dean and college curriculum committee.
Dean/Associate Dean: Jiansheng Guo Date: January 10, 2011

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**REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF DISCONTINUANCE OF
MINOR IN RUSSIAN**

7. **Department:** Modern Languages & Literatures
8. Full and exact title of program, with name of major for options:
Russian Minor
9. List of **other options, minors, certificates, or credentials** in the major/department.
Minors are offered in Chinese Language and Cultural Studies, French, German, Italian, Portuguese (also requesting discontinuance), Sign Language, and Spanish.
10. **Purpose** of the Proposed Discontinuance: Courses in Russian have not been offered since the retirement of our Russian faculty, Professor Schulak in 2002. The teaching of Russian is being removed from being taught in Language departments to being taught as a strategic language. There will be no effect on the other programs in the department, since Russian has not been offered since 2002.
11. **How many students** are currently pursuing this option, minor, certificate, or credential?
None, these courses have not been offered since 2002.
12. The **Department is responsible for accommodating students** who are currently pursuing this option, minor, certificate, or credential in finishing their program: N/A
5. **RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:** None
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