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January 6, 2016

Dr. Steven Leslie
Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
The University of Texas System
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Dear Dr. Leslie:

Enclosed for your consideration and approval is a proposal to create a minor in Information Studies in the School of Information chapter in the *Undergraduate Catalog, 2016-2018* (D 13736-13739). Faculty Council approved this proposal on December 14, 2015. Final approval resides with UT System.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Judith H. Langlois".

Judith H. Langlois
Executive Vice President and Provost, *ad interim*

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Enclosure

cc: Gregory Fenves, President
Carol Longoria, Assistant Deputy to the President
Andrew Dillon, Dean, Information
Carla Criner, Assistant Dean, Information
Brenda Schumann, Associate Registrar
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December 15, 2015

Judith H. Langlois
Interim Executive Vice President and Provost
The University of Texas at Austin
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Dear Dr. Langlois:

Enclosed for your consideration and action is a proposal to create a minor in Information Studies in the School of Information chapter in the *Undergraduate Catalog, 2016-2018* (D 13736-13739). The proposal was classified as being of *exclusive* interest to only one college or school and was approved by the Faculty Council on a no-protest basis on December 14, 2015. The authority to grant final approval on these changes resides with UT System.

Please let me know if you have questions or if I can provide other information concerning this legislation.

Sincerely,

Hillary Hart, Secretary
General Faculty and Faculty Council

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Enclosures

xc: Gregory L. Fenves, president
Janet Dukerich, senior vice provost

ec (letter only): Carol Longoria, deputy to the president
Andrew Dillon, dean, information
Carla Criner, assistant dean, information
Allen Walser, manager of reporting and analysis, IRRIS
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Lydia Cornell, program coordinator, provost's office
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DOCUMENTS OF THE GENERAL FACULTY

REQUEST TO ADD A TRANSCRIPT-RECOGNIZED INFORMATION STUDIES MINOR IN THE SCHOOL OF INFORMATION CHAPTER IN THE *UNDERGRADUATE CATALOG, 2016-2018*

Dean Andrew Dillon, in the School of Information has filed with the secretary of the Faculty Council the following addition to the *Undergraduate Catalog, 2016-2018*. On May 13, 2015, Senior Associate Dean Richard Flores approved the new minor. The secretary has classified this proposal as legislation of *exclusive* interest to only one college or school.

The Committee on Undergraduate Degree Program Review recommended approval of the minor on December 3, 2015, and forwarded the proposal to the Office of the General Faculty. The Faculty Council has the authority to approve this legislation on behalf of the General Faculty. The authority to grant final approval on this legislation resides with UT System.

If no objection is filed with the Office of the General Faculty by the date specified below, the legislation will be held to have been approved by the Faculty Council. If an objection is filed within the prescribed period, the legislation will be presented to the Faculty Council at its next meeting. The objection, with reasons, must be signed by a member of the Faculty Council.

To be counted, a protest must be received in the Office of the General Faculty by December 14, 2015.



Hillary Hart, Secretary
General Faculty and Faculty Council

**REQUEST TO ADD A TRANSCRIPT-RECOGNIZED INFORMATION STUDIES MINOR IN THE
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS CHAPTER IN THE UNDERGRADUATE CATALOG, 2016-2018**

1. **Type of Proposal** New Transcript-Recognized Minor
 Change an Existing Transcript-Recognized Minor
 Delete a Transcript-Recognized Minor
2. **Official Name:** Transcript-Recognized Minor in Information Studies
3. **Proposed Implementation Date:** Fall 2016
4. **Field of Study, CIP Code (administrative unit awarding the certificate):** Information Science/Studies
11.401 (School of Information)
5. **Statement of Objective:** : This minor aims to complement students' work in their major fields, to prepare them for graduate study in information studies and cognate disciplines, and to enhance their abilities to succeed in an increasingly digitized, informed workplace and world.
6. **Admissions requirement (if any):** N/A
7. **Number of Students Expected to Receive the Transcript-Recognized Minor Each Semester:**
Approximately thirty to sixty per year
8. **Anticipated Enrollment Capacity?** Approximately 250-500 per semester
9. **Number of Hours Required for Completion:**¹ Fifteen-semester credit hours.
10. **Composition of the Minor Faculty Committee (including the committee chair):** All faculty members of the Department of Classics

Name of Faculty Member	College/Department	Title at UT Austin	Highest Degree and Awarding Institution
William F. Aspray, Jr.	School of Information	Professor	PhD, University of Wisconsin at Madison
Diane E. Bailey	School of Information	Associate Professor	PhD, University of California at Berkeley
Lecia J. Barker	School of Information	Associate Professor	PhD, University of Colorado
Randolph G. Bias	School of Information	Professor	PhD, University of Texas at Austin
Craig E. Blaha	School of Information	Adjunct Assistant Professor	PhD, University of Texas at Austin
Tanya Elizabeth Clement	School of Information	Assistant Professor	PhD, University of Maryland
Mary Carla Criner	School of Information	Assistant Dean	PhD, Louisiana State University
Sarah H. Cunningham	School of Information	Lecturer	MS, University of Texas at Austin
Andrew P. Dillon	School of Information	Dean and Professor	PhD, Loughborough University of Technology
Philip Doty	School of Information	Associate Dean and Associate Professor	PhD, Syracuse University
Kenneth Robert Fleischmann	School of Information	Associate Professor	PhD, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Patricia K. Galloway	School of Information	Professor	PhD, University of North Carolina at

			Chapel Hill
Jacek Gwizdka	School of Information	Assistant Professor	PhD, University of Toronto
Lance A. Hayden	School of Information	Adjunct Assistant Professor	PhD, University of Texas at Austin
James L. Howison	School of Information	Assistant Professor	PhD, Syracuse University
Unmil P. Karadkar	School of Information	Assistant Professor	PhD, Texas A&M University
Matthew A. Lease	School of Information	Associate Professor	PhD, Brown University
Ann Minner	School of Information	Lecturer	MS, University of Texas at Austin
Karen L. Pavelka	School of Information	Lecturer	MS, Columbia University
Marion Rocco	School of Information	Lecturer	MS, University of Texas at Austin
Loriene Roy	School of Information	Professor	PhD, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Jeremy Selvidge	School of Information	Lecturer	MS, University of Texas at Austin
Ciaran Trace	School of Information	Assistant Professor	PhD, University of California at Los Angeles
Byron C. Wallace	School of Information	Assistant Professor	PhD, Tufts University
Jo Lynn Westbrook	School of Information	Associate Professor	PhD, University of Michigan at Ann Arbor
Karen M. Wickett	School of Information	Assistant Professor	PhD, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Amanda J. Williams	School of Information	Adjunct Assistant Professor	PhD, University of Texas at Austin
Michael B. Winship	Department of English, School of Information	Professor	DPhil, University of Oxford
Bo Xie	School of Information, School of Nursing	Associate Professor	PhD, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Yan Zhang	School of Information	Assistant Professor	PhD, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

11. **Academic Course Requirements:** Use this table to identify the courses that qualify for this minor program.

Course Abbreviation and Number	Course Title	SCH
Lower-division courses		
INF 304D or INF 304W	Introduction to Information Studies	3
INF 315E or 315W	Information and Culture May be repeated for credit when the topics vary.	3
* INF 315H	Topics in Human-Computer Interaction May be repeated for credit when the topics vary.	3

Upper-division courses		
INF 322T or 322W	Children's Literature	3
INF 327E or 327W	Information and People May be repeated for credit when the topics vary.	3
INF 331C or 331W	Beyond Google	3
INF 335C or 335W	Information in Cyberspace	3
INF 343C or 343W	Information Organization and Access	3
INF 350E or 350W	Information Technology May be repeated for credit when the topics vary.	3
INF 350E.1	Technologies of the Book	3
INF 350G or 350W	Information in Society May be repeated for credit when the topics vary.	3
* INF 350H	Advanced Topics in Human-Computer Interaction May be repeated for credit when the topics vary.	3
* INF 371E	Projects in Information Studies May be repeated for credit when the topics vary.	3
* INF 371H	Projects in Human-Computer Interaction	3

12. Other Minor Requirements: Courses presented for the minor must have grades of at least C-.

13. College/School Approval Process:

Approver: Andrew Dillon
 Title: Dean, School of Information
 Date: September 20, 2015

PROPOSED NEW CATALOG TEXT:

Minor in Information Studies

Fifteen semester credit hours composed of:

1. INF 304D or INF 304W
2. Six upper-division hours of Information Studies
3. Six additional hours of Information Studies.

Courses presented for the minor must have grades of at least C-.

¹ See footnote ¹A.b. above: 15-18 hours are required.