PROGRAM/DEGREE REQUIREMENT CHANGE (MAJOR/MINOR)

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PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION:

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A. CHANGE IN DEGREE REQUIREMENTS: (Brief statement of program/degree changes and objectives)

Change BIOL 104 (3) to BIOL 104x (4) and add asterix in major requirement section where we list specific courses required of NORS majors. Just below major requirements insert the following:

**Students may take this course as one of the two lab science courses that they are required to take within the university's general requirements.

Add requirement to take ART F425, ENG F349 or ENG F350.

Provide two alternatives for the major requirement of ANL F315

B. CURRENT REQUIREMENTS AS IT APPEARS IN THE CATALOG:

Major -- B.A. Degree

1. Complete the general university requirements.

2. Complete the B.A. degree requirements.

3. Complete the following northern studies core requirements:* ANL F315--Alaska Native Languages: Eskimo-Aleut--3 credits ANTH F242--Native Cultures of Alaska--3 credits BIOL F104--Natural History of Alaska--3 credits GEOG F427--Polar Geography--3 credits HIST F483W--20th Century Circumpolar History--3 credits NORS F484W--Seminar in Northern Studies--3 credits PS F263--Alaska Native Politics (3) or PS F462--Alaska Government and Politics (3)--3 credits

4. Complete 15 credits* from 2 of the following groups:**

1. Anthropology ANTH F302--Ethnography of Siberia (s)--3 credits ANTH F309--Circumpolar Archaeology--3 credits ANTH F313--Ethnography of Alaska (s)--3 credits
ANS/ANTH F320W--Language and Culture: Applications to Alaska--3 credits
ANTH F383--Athabascan Peoples of Alaska and
Adjacent Canada--3 credits
ANTH F472--Culture and History of the North Atlantic--3 credits

2. Geography
GEOG F302--Geography of Alaska--3 credits
GEOG F303--Geography of United States and Canada--3 credits
GEOG F306--Geography of Russia--3 credits

3. History
HIST F404--Modern Scandinavia--3 credits
HIST F461W--History of Alaska--3 credits
HIST F463--Foundations of Russian History--3 credits
HIST F464--History of Russia--3 credits
HIST F481--Polar Exploration and Its Literature--3 credits

4. Political Science
PS/ANS F325--Native Self-Government--3 credits
PS/ANS F450--Comparative Aboriginal Rights and Policies--3 credits
PS F452--International Relations of the North--3 credits
PS F454--International Law and the Environment--3 credits
PS F460W--Government and Politics of Canada--3 credits
PS F468W--Government and Politics of Russia--3 credits

5. Humanities
ART F365--Native Art of Alaska--3 credits
ART F367--Eskimo Art--3 credits
ENGL F349--Narrative Art of Alaska Native Peoples (in English Translation)--3 credits
ENGL F350--Literature of Alaska and the Yukon Territory--3 credits
Northern language*** 10

5. Minimum credits required--130 credits

* Students must earn a C grade (2.0) or better in each course.

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*** Two semesters of a northern language, such as Eskimo or Russian.

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C. PROPOSED REQUIREMENTS AS IT WILL APPEAR IN THE CATALOG WITH THESE CHANGES:
(Underline new wording strike-through old wording and use complete catalog format)

Major -- B.A. Degree

1. Complete the general university requirements.

2. Complete the B.A. degree requirements.
3. Complete the following northern studies core requirements:*  
   ANL F315--Alaska Native Languages: Eskimo Aleut--3 credits  
   ANL F256--Introduction to Alaska Native Languages: History, Status and  
   Maintenance(3)  
   or ANL F315--Alaska Native Languages: Eskimo Aleut(3)  
   or ANL F316--Alaska Native Languages: Indian Languages(3)--3 credits  
   ANTH F242--Native Cultures of Alaska--3 credits  
   BIOL F104--Natural History of Alaska--3 credits  
   BIOL F104x--Natural History of Alaska--4 credits**  
   ART F425W--Visual Images of the North(3)  
   or ENGL F349--Narrative Art of Alaska Native Peoples (in English Translation)(3)  
   or ENGL F350--Literature of Alaska and the Yukon Territory(3)--3 credits  
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D. ESTIMATED IMPACT

WHAT IMPACT, IF ANY, WILL THIS HAVE ON BUDGET, FACILITIES/SPACE, FACULTY, ETC.

none

E. IMPACTS ON PROGRAMS/DEPTS:

What programs/departments will be affected by this proposed action?
Include information on the Programs/Departments contacted (e.g., email, memo)

None

F. IF MAJOR CHANGE -- ASSESSMENT OF THE PROGRAM:

Description of the student learning outcomes assessment process.

Students will have the option to take this class as one of their two lab classes, rather than taking it in addition to two other lab classes. We are adding a requirement to take a northern humanities class.

Students will now have more choices in their introduction to Alaska Native languages; currently they're all required to take the Eskimo-Aleut course, which is limiting. Furthermore, there is a strong emphasis on linguistics in ANL 315, for which NORS students generally are not prepared. Most of our students are more suited for taking ANL 256 Introduction to Alaska Native Languages: History, Status and Maintenance.
JUSTIFICATION FOR ACTION REQUESTED

The purpose of the department and campus-wide curriculum committees is to scrutinize program/degree change applications to make sure that the quality of UAF education is not lowered as a result of the proposed change. Please address this in your response. This section needs to be self-explanatory. If you drop a course, is it because the material is covered elsewhere? Use as much space as needed to fully justify the proposed change and explain what has been done to ensure that the quality of the program is not compromised as a result.

The biology department quit teaching this class without the lab. This change ensures that NORS students still benefit from this valuable class without having to take a third lab science class.

This allows students appropriate flexibility and allows them to take an Alaska Native languages course that is more aligned with their interests and preparation.

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