The UAF Faculty Senate passed the following at Meeting #211 on December 7, 2015:

MOTION:

The UAF Faculty Senate moves to revise the catalog statements on the requirements for the Foreign/Alaska Native language/American Sign Language option in the Bachelor of Arts degree (page 132 of current Catalog) as indicated below:

Bachelor of Arts

Requirements (Credits)

Complete the baccalaureate core (38-39 credits)

Complete the following B.A. requirements in addition to the core:

- Humanities and social sciences (18 credits)
  - o Any combination of courses at the F100-level or above, with a minimum of 6 credits from the humanities and a minimum of 6 credits in the social sciences OR up to 12 credits in a single non-English language taken at the university level and a minimum of 6 credits in social science.
- Mathematics (3 credits)
  - o One course at the F100-level or above in mathematical sciences (math, computer science, statistics) excluding developmental math (DEVM) courses.
- ~~Complete one of the following:~~
  - o Minor complex* (at least 15 credits)
  - ~~o Foreign/Alaska Native language/American Sign Language option—12-18 credits Two years study of one foreign or Alaska Native language or American Sign Language at the university level (high school language credits or native language proficiency may allow students to begin at the intermediate or advanced level)~~
- Major complex* (at least 30 credits)
- Electives (12-19 credits)

EFFECTIVE: Fall 2016

RATIONALE: This option seems to have been originally designed to create an incentive for students to study languages. However, minors are available in Foreign Languages, Alaska Native Language, and American Sign Language. Allowing this option provides a loophole to the minor requirements in those areas, allowing students to complete fewer credits (12 as opposed to 15), use credits at the 100-level (not allowed in FLL minors), and not meet any residency requirement (3 credits for a minor).

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Approved: _X_   Disapproved: _____

Date: _12/8/15_

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