

AGENDA
Faculty Senate Meeting
April 20, 2023 – 3:45 pm, Lowrimore Auditorium

- I. Call to order**
- II. Approval of Minutes from the March 21, 2023 meeting**
- III. Elections**
 - a. Vice-Chair of the Faculty**
 - b. Faculty Secretary**
- IV. Reports from standing committees** (The reports will be placed in the minutes for informational purposes only).
- V. Report from the Executive Committee**
- VI. Report from the Academic Affairs Committee** (*See the attachment for complete proposals. See the appendix for supporting materials.*)
 - 1. Proposal from the Department of English, Modern Languages, and Philosophy**
 - A. Add MOLA 250
 - B. Modify Modern Languages Mission Statement
- VII. Report from the Graduate Council** (*See the attachment for complete proposals. See the appendix for supporting materials.*)

There were no proposals sent forth from the GC for this meeting.
- VIII. Old Business**
- IX. New Business**
- X. Announcements**
- XI. Adjournment**

Attachment to the Faculty Senate Agenda – April 20, 2023

VI. Report from the Academic Affairs Committee

1. Proposal from the Department of English, Modern Languages, and Philosophy

- A. **ADD** on page 92 of the current catalog under the new MOLA banner and after MOLA 100:

250 Introduction to French and Hispanic Literature in Translation (3) Introduces a variety of literature and allied narrative art from Hispanic and Francophone cultures. Familiarizes students with cultural concepts, traditions, and products. Practices literary analysis and appreciation, covering key phrases and vocabulary from the original language.

Rationale for A:

A literature course in translation allows students without language skills to enter, engage, and start to understand other Francophone and Hispanic Cultures. Taught by Modern Languages professors, students can appreciate how a different culture and language changes the ways people think and feel. Literature in translation courses are a standard part of college curricula, but have not yet been used at Francis Marion University.

- B. **MODIFY** on pg. 85 under Mission Statements in the left column:

FROM:

MODERN LANGUAGES—The Department of English, Modern Languages, and Philosophy offers a major in Modern Languages with tracks in French and Spanish. Minors and collaterals are also offered in these languages. The department provides the resources for students to acquire proficiency in the four language skills (listening, speaking, reading, and writing) in French and Spanish and to gain knowledge of the culture, the literature, and the civilization of countries where these languages are spoken. Career opportunities for foreign language majors include 1) teaching, 2) international business, 3) translation/interpretation, and 4) professions requiring a University degree with a background in the liberal arts. Modern language majors also frequently seek graduate degrees in foreign languages or related fields.

TO:

MODERN LANGUAGES – The Department of English, Modern Languages, and Philosophy offers a major, minor, and collateral in Modern Language studies with courses in French and Spanish literatures and cultures for various professions. The program prepares students to comprehend and analyze texts and to compose professional documents in the target language. By applying cultural principles to a variety of contexts, students learn how to navigate through and operate in French and Spanish cultures. A degree in Modern Languages enhances career opportunities in a variety of fields such as teaching, business, communications, government, healthcare, and interpretation/translation.

Rationale for B: The revised mission statement reflects the program’s updated curriculum and trims unnecessary wording. The foundation of the curriculum continues to be language learning and literary study. The revision incorporates more diverse cultural products and practical application of language skills.