

UNIVERSITY SENATE

UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY
STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

Introduced by: Senator David Wills

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RESOLUTION TO DETERMINE OFFERINGS IN EUROPEAN LANGUAGES & CLASSICAL STUDIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH UALBANY'S MISSION AND STRATEGIC PLAN

Whereas none of UAlbany's peer institutions offers fewer than 3 baccalaureate programs in European languages,

Whereas the deactivations of 10/1/10 reduce such offerings at UAlbany to 1 (Spanish),

Whereas the Undergraduate Education Objective #4 of the Strategic Plan calls for various initiatives designed to enhance the international components of undergraduate education,

Whereas the Student Experience Objective #4 of the Strategic Plan, which calls for amplifying the 'World Within Reach' perspective through a dynamic, rich assemblage of experiences, includes as Action Step 4.5 "to encourage undergraduate student contact with foreign languages and world cultures,"

Whereas the Strategic Plan charges the Vice Provost for International Education with organizing a group to identify critical languages and ways to build the University's capacity to deliver instruction in them, such group to be convened immediately following approval of the Strategic Plan, such group not having yet been convened,

Whereas Faculty By-Law 2.2.1 charges the Faculty with initiating, disapproving or approving and recommending for implementation "all changes in, additions to, or deletions from the Curriculum,"

Be it resolved that the Executive Committee of the Senate immediately establish a subcommittee composed of representatives from UAC, GAC and UPPC, as well as other faculty with relevant expertise, to determine which programs in European Language and Classical Studies should be activated, reactivated, or remain active in accordance with the liberal arts mission of the university, such subcommittee to report back to the Senate by 4/15/12.