

Routing Sheet for Review and Approval

Proposed New Academic Plan or Name Change to Existing Academic Plan

Required steps in the review and approval process for proposed new academic plans and name changes to existing academic plans vary depending upon a number of factors. The Provost's Office reviews each concept for a new academic plan or name change in light of UMBC campus governance procedures and USM/MHEC approval guidelines. This online form has been routed by the Provost's Office to each office or governance group that needs to review this particular proposal.

Name of proposed new program OR program action: Name change MLL Concentration Linguistics

Date of PCG review: 04/26/2019 Review by USM: yes

Date of approval initiation: 04/30/2019 Maryland Higher Education

Date Letter of Intent sent to USM: Commission for: admin review

Date RSTARS transfer requested: Target MHEC Submission Date: winter 2019

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Proposal and Other Attachments					
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INSTRUCTIONS

1. The proposal and this routing form are being sent to each office indicated on this form via DocuSign, in the order in which each appears on the list. Each recipient who needs to review the proposal will receive an email notification when it is his or her turn to sign.
2. If you have a concern regarding the proposed new plan or plan change, please do the following: (1) select "Concern" on the dropdown near your designated signature block, (2) enter a brief description of your concern regarding the proposal in the text box that appears, (3) select "Finish Later" under the "Other Actions" menu option, and (4) e-mail Beth Wells at bwells@umbc.edu with a more detailed description of your concern.

If you have questions about this form or the review process, please contact Beth Wells at bwells@umbc.edu, x5-8907. Thank you very much for your assistance.

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Please contact Beth Wells at bwells@umbc.edu with a brief description of your concern regarding the proposal. To end this session please select Finish Later under the "Other ~~Chair, Undergraduate Cases~~ Do Not Decline to Sign.

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Date Submitted to MHEC:

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Proposed name change of concentration in Modern Languages & Linguistics BA from
“Linguistics” to “Applied Linguistics”

Dear...

Within the Modern Languages and Linguistics Bachelor’s degree, UMBC offers a concentration in Linguistics. The faculty of the department of Modern Languages, Linguistics, and Intercultural Communication request approval to change the name of this concentration from Linguistics to “Applied Linguistics.” The primary goal is to increase the number and quality of our applicants by more accurately representing the goals of the program and the preparation of our students. There is no programmatic change planned in this name change proposal, and no new resources are required.

While the program continues to provide a solid foundation in structural linguistics, the name change from Linguistics to Applied Linguistics reflects the pragmatic focus within our program, incorporating, in addition to core courses in phonology, morphology, and syntax, topics such as language planning, first and second language acquisition, cognitive linguistics, discourse analysis and pragmatics, and sociolinguistics and dialectology. The department has long offered an introductory course to the field of applied linguistics (LING 290 “Introduction to Applied Linguistics”), which is a required course within the program. While continuing to attract students interested in more traditional areas of linguistics, this expanded focus has also begun attracting students in disciplines such as English, education, psychology, and computer sciences, concomitantly increasing interdisciplinary ties with other departments. In addition, the Applied Linguistics concentration is an excellent preparation for students interested in continuing in the Master’s program in Intercultural Communication. In this connection, the department includes LING 401 Pragmatics, an undergraduate version of the MLL 601 INCC graduate course.

MLLI’s Linguistics concentration has been an integral component of the department since its earliest days; indeed, in 1979, in keeping with the increased importance of linguistics in the field, the department (originally just “Modern Languages”) was renamed Modern Languages and Linguistics (MLL). While the linguistics track has long been successful in placing graduates in topnotch graduate programs in linguistics, many of the graduates continue in such applied fields as education (TESOL), forensic linguistics, and speech pathology, among others, lending additional rationale for the proposed name change to “Applied Linguistics.”