Dean Randy L. Diehl, in the College of Liberal Arts has filed with the secretary of the Faculty Council the following addition to the *Undergraduate Catalog, 2016-2018*. On May 13, 2015, Senior Associate Dean Richard Flores approved the new minor. The secretary has classified this proposal as legislation of *exclusive* interest to only one college or school.

The Committee on Undergraduate Degree Program Review recommended approval of the minor on November 4, 2015, and forwarded the proposal to the Office of the General Faculty. The Faculty Council has the authority to approve this legislation on behalf of the General Faculty. The authority to grant final approval on this legislation resides with UT System.

If no objection is filed with the Office of the General Faculty by the date specified below, the legislation will be held to have been approved by the Faculty Council. If an objection is filed within the prescribed period, the legislation will be presented to the Faculty Council at its next meeting. The objection, with reasons, must be signed by a member of the Faculty Council.

To be counted, a protest must be received in the Office of the General Faculty by November 18, 2015.

Hillary Hart, Secretary
General Faculty and Faculty Council

*Posted on the Faculty Council website (http://www.utexas.edu/faculty/council/) on November 12, 2015.*
REQUEST TO ADD A TRANSCRIPT-RECOGNIZED ISLAMIC STUDIES MINOR IN THE
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS CHAPTER IN THE UNDERGRADUATE CATALOG, 2016-2018

1. Type of Proposal  ☑ New Transcript-Recognized Minor
☐ Change an Existing Transcript-Recognized Minor
☐ Delete a Transcript-Recognized Minor

2. Official Name: Transcript-Recognized Minor in Islamic Studies

3. Proposed Implementation Date: Fall 2016

4. Field of Study, CIP Code (administrative unit awarding the certificate): ISL

5. Statement of Objective We would like to offer students the option of completing an Islamic Studies transcript-recognized minor.

6. Admissions requirement (if any): N/A

7. Number of Students Expected to Receive the Transcript-Recognized Minor Each Semester: Five to ten.

8. Anticipated Enrollment Capacity? Twenty-five to thirty.

9. Number of Hours Required for Completion 1: Fifteen

10. Composition of the Minor Faculty Committee (including the committee chair):

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11. Academic Course Requirements: Use this table to identify the courses that qualify for this minor program.

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12. **Other Minor Requirements:**
   Students must take ISL 310, three hours of ISL 340, and nine hours of upper-division ISL coursework chosen from ISL 340, ISL 372 or ISL 373.

13. **College/School Approval Process:**
   Approver: Richard Flores
   Title: Senior Associate Dean, College of Liberal Arts
   Date: May 13, 2015

**PROPOSED NEW CATALOG TEXT:**

Islamic Studies Minor:

Fifteen semester credit hours, including:

- ISL 310
- ISL 340

Nine additional hours of upper-division ISL coursework chosen from ISL 340, ISL 372, and ISL 373.

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1 See footnote 1 A.b. above: 15-18 hours are required.