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To: Cathy Kraus  
Subject: Re: Undergraduate Council Meeting-Tues, Nov 4, 2008 in Johnson  
Hall Conference Rm

Importance: High

Cathy,

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Here is my proposed revision:

- Purpose statement: The Multicultural Requirement provides for focused study of the benefits and consequences of human diversity and the opportunities and challenges of life in a multicultural society.

The requirement asks students to complete a minimum of two courses that engage these issues.

My rationale was two pronged. 1) I imagine that some UO students don't need an "introduction" to the richness of human diversity, they possibly have experienced life already from the perspective of multiple cultures. 2) The phrase "richness of human diversity" seems like an its-all-good kind of statement. I had hoped for a more analytical view of how diversity has worked/can work to both positive and negative consequences.

Best,  
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