November 4, 2015

To: Sarah Mangelsdorf
   Office of the Provost

From: Kathryn VandenBosch
      Dean and Director

Subject: Request to Change LSC Subject Listing Code

On November 3, 2015 the CALS Academic Planning Council voted unanimously to approve the department of Life Sciences Communication proposal to change the short description of the UW Subject Listing Code for their departmental courses. The Council expressed no reservations in considering this proposal. We understand this motion requires action by the UAPC and ask that it be placed on their agenda at the earliest possible time. Supporting documents are attached. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

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To: Dean Kate VandenBosch, CALS
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From: Dominique Brossard, chair, Life Sciences Communication

CC: Laura Van Toll, CALS Academic Planning Council
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RE: Change in LSC Subject Listing Code

The department of Life Sciences Communication proposes a modest correction to the short description of the UW Subject Listing Code: from “L (space) SC (space) Com” to our more recognizable brand, “LSC.” We are requesting only how LSC appears in the UW Course Guide and other administrative units so that students, faculty and staff are no longer confused. The long description for LSC remains unchanged.

“L SC Com” appeared in 2000 during LSC’s transition from its historic name, “Agricultural Journalism.” At the time, “L (space) SC (space) Com” was appropriate as recognizable outside of CALS. (The “SC” stood for “science,” we think.)

However, after 15 years of growth, we wish to update this confusing identifier and align with how our 240 majors, prospective students, countless alumni, CALS and campus-wide advisors now know us: LSC (no spaces). Last Spring, LSC’s Undergraduate Curriculum Committee approved a motion for the Director of Undergraduate Studies to pursue correcting this important administrative code. LSC’s Executive Committee has asked for this correction for several years now.

After consulting with Michelle Young, LSC has a plan in place to work with DARS encoders, administrators, timetable and Registrar’s staff to update LSC’s subject listing code by Spring 2017 (1174) term. According to Michelle Young, UAPC approval would be needed no later than March 1, 2016 (so by the Feb. 18, 2016 meeting).

We first need CALS APC approval. If approved, LSC will send the proposal to Michelle Young who has agreed to place it on the docket for UAPC approval.