

CLAYTON STATE UNIVERSITY
Professional Qualification Statement for Degree/Concentration/Certificate

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| Date: | 11/11/09 |
| College/School/Department: | College of Arts and Sciences, Office of Interdisciplinary Studies |
| Degree/Concentration/Certificate: | Degree: Master of Arts in Liberal Studies |
| Coordinator: | Wendy Burns-Ardolino, Director of the Office of Interdisciplinary Studies |
| Coordinator Responsibilities: | Work with faculty in proposing new courses and changes to the Liberal Studies curriculum. Coordinate proposed curriculum changes for submission to the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences |
| Degrees: | PhD, Cultural Studies MA, English BA, Philosophy and Politics |
| Experience: | 10 years of college and university teaching; service on curriculum committees; writing proposals for new courses; service as Chair of the Curriculum and Academic Policy Committee, service as coordinator for Integrative and Liberal Studies, responsible for coordinating curriculum change proposals and program proposals |
| Courses taught at CSU: | WST 2500 Intro to Women's Studies, WST 3400 Gender, Culture and Globalization, WST 3500 Feminist Theory, CMS 3020 Research and Methods for CMS, MALS 5000 Intro to Graduate Research, INTE 3901 Internship Course, CMS 3810 Women and Popular Culture |

Narrative Statement of Qualifications (to be completed by chair or dean):

1. What evidence exists that the coordinator has the qualifications and credentials for leadership in the development and review of the curriculum?

The coordinator has a PhD in Cultural Studies, an interdisciplinary degree with focus in the humanities and social sciences as well as a Master's Degree in English. She has 10 years of interdisciplinary teaching experience with 5 years experience in advising and course development at the university level. She has chaired the Curriculum and Academic Policy Council, served on curriculum committees, and has been responsible for proposals of curricular change at a variety of administrative levels.

2. What evidence exists that the coordinator provides oversight for assessing the quality of the curriculum for the program and for ensuring that the curriculum and its delivery are educationally sound?

The coordinator has directed the MA in Liberal Studies since July 1 of 2008. She has served on the Graduate Council, the governing body in the School of Graduate Studies which oversees curriculum development, programmatic changes, graduate school admission requirements, academic policies and protocols for graduate student progression to degree completion. The Director of the Office of Interdisciplinary Studies is a member of the Association of Graduate Liberal Studies Programs and the Association for Integrative Studies. The Director maintains current scholarship, pedagogy and administrative expertise in the fields of Interdisciplinary and Liberal Studies. The best practices of these fields that continue to guide the design and assessment of this program curriculum. Audits of all MALS course syllabi and classroom observations are conducted by the coordinator each semester.