

C - Small Curricular Revisions : Entry # 3666**Today's Date**

07/26/2026

Your Name

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By checking below I am certifying that my department chair (named above) has seen and approved the courses that are included in this proposal.

Yes

Please select the appropriate school overseeing this proposal:

Humanities and Behavioral Sciences

Does this proposal correspond to a particular term?

Fall 2027

Course Prefix, Number, & Name

ITA 2050, ITA 2040, ITA 2130, ITA 3100

Does this course currently count towards Gen Ed curriculum?

No

Which category does this change fall under?

- Distribution requirements - minor

Name of Major or Minor that you are revising distribution requirements for:

Italian Studies

Distribution Requirement Changes**What is being changed?**

ITA 2050 and ITA 2040 are being replaced by ITA 2130 and ITA 3100

Rationale for change (brief)

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There are several difficulties with ITA 2050 and ITA 2040: they focus on specific aspects of language learning rather than a holistic approach. Their numeration conflicts with the normal order we have offered them (2050 in the fall; 2040 in the spring), which is difficult for students, difficult for faculty, and difficult to justify in assessment. Ultimately, there is no longer good pedagogical support for teaching the Italian minor with these two courses, and their replacement will help us greatly to assess our minor, as well as give our students a greater sense of accomplishment when they finish their course of language study.

To replace these in the curriculum sequence, I propose two new course:

- ITA 2130 Readings in Italian and Grammar Review [after FRE 2130]

- ITA 3100 Italian Composition and Conversation

These two courses place us in line with the French and Spanish Programs, who have similarly named and numbered courses with similar pedagogical approaches. Also, they create a clearer course of study for our students, with elementary, intermediate, and intermediate-advanced study, each lasting a two-semester sequence, with the final course [3100] that focuses on Italian canonical text and media to culminate their study of Italian language.

Does this change affect any other departments, schools, or programs besides your own? If so, please describe your consultation process with affected parties in the box below.

The switch made here will effect International Business Majors with an Italian focus, who were previously required to take both ITA 2050 and ITA 2040. I have discussed this with Dr. Mike McCully, and the proposed course changes will be accepted by that academic program as well.

Dean Review**[DEAN] I approve/deny this proposal**

Approve

Today's Date

07-09-2026

Name of Dean (if this is being reviewed by multiple deans, please indicate who approved it first here)

Ken Elston