

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Presidents

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**FROM:** Linda L. Baer, Ph.D., Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs

**DATE:** December 13, 2002

SUBJECT: INCLUSION OF INTERMEDIATE LEVEL WORLD LANGUAGES IN

THE MINNESOTA TRANSFER CURRICULUM (MnTC)

Effective fall semester 2002, all intermediate level world languages, including American Sign Language and Native American languages; such as, Anishinaabe and Ojibwa, are included in Goal 8 Global Awareness of the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum.

This addition comes after a year of careful analysis of world language placement in the MnTC, including strong recommendations from faculty and administration throughout the Minnesota State Colleges & Universities (MnSCU), as well as unanimous support from the MnSCU Transfer Oversight Committee. Meetings between MnSCU world language faculty representatives and Office of the Chancellor staff, along with University of Minnesota faculty representatives and administrators from the College of Liberal Arts, led to a limited agreement that preserves the current arrangement between MnSCU and the University to accept the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum as a package in transfer.

Further study of world languages in the MnTC is planned both by the University and MnSCU as a joint project. Both the University and MnSCU support the development of second languages among our students. Because our systems have different admission and graduation requirements in this area, it is also important that courses included in the MnTC meet the high standards of college study and are acceptable to both systems.

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