



HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITY

College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

MEMORANDUM

OFFICE OF THE DEAN

DATE: March 9, 2009

TO: Robert A. Snyder, Interim Provost

FROM: Kenneth P. Ayoob, Interim Dean
College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

**SUBJECT: Recommendations for action regarding selected programs in
Program Prioritization Category 4 - Restructure**

1. Interdisciplinary Studies Dance Studies Major (ISDS)

A choice needs to be made regarding the structure of a dance major at HSU. There should only be one major – either ISDS or the Dance Major in the Department of Theater, Film and Dance. I believe that the Chairs of Theater, Film and Dance and Kinesiology, the Program Leader of the ISDS Major, and the Interim Deans of the College of Professional Studies and College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences should meet to study the issue and make a recommendation that includes one dance major on campus and what sort of resources that major should be allocated. This would include space, courses, staffing, and where the department would be administratively. The Chair of Kinesiology and Interim Dean of Professional Studies need to be part of this team because many dance classes are offered through the department of Kinesiology and the best physical spaces for dance are located in the Kinesiology Building and West Gym. The report, recommendation, and final decision should be made prior to the end of the spring semester of 2009.

2. Elimination of low enrolled minors in the Department of Politics

I have consulted with the department on this issue. They will identify low enrolled minor offerings and eliminate or consolidate them.

3. Elimination of Latin American Studies Minor

The department of World Languages and Cultures has agreed to eliminate the Latin American Studies Minor.