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FROM: Dr. Jacalyn Weissenburger, Interim Provost, University of Wisconsin – Superior

The following majors have been suspended:

- POLITICAL SCIENCE (BS/BA)
 - CIP-451001
 - MAJOR CODE-22071
- SCIENCE (BROAD AREA) (BS/BA)
 - CIP-300101
 - MAJOR CODE-49027
- SOCIOLOGY (BS/BA)
 - CIP-451101
 - MAJOR CODE-22081
- THEATRE (BFA/BS/BA):
 - CIP-500501
 - MAJOR CODE-10071
- VISUAL ARTS (MA)
 - CIP-500799
 - MAJOR CODE-10021

The decision to suspend was made after a thorough review of enrollment, retention and graduation rates; student demand in the related programs and national trends towards enrollment; and context of programs as related to the UW-S mission and strategic plan and context as a liberal arts campus.

The impact on current students enrolled is minimum. All currently enrolled students will be allowed to reasonably complete their major and courses taught as needed within four years to meet degree requirements. Courses in these majors which meet a University Studies category and/or service courses to other majors will be scheduled and taught as needed to ensure that students are able to reasonably meet those degree requirements.

Faculty and staff in the related majors will not experience job loss – no positions are being cut as a result of the suspensions. Faculty and staff in the related programs will work with the Dean of Academic Affairs and Interim Provost to design curricular offerings to meet minors (as appropriate to those programs), University Studies categories, and requirements for other majors. Spring 2018 courses are already scheduled to meet those areas with no changes at this time. Programs will need to submit plans to teach-out their majors and meet other requirements by June 2018.

As per Chapter 36, governance approval was not required for these suspensions as no faculty or staff positions were cut.

The effective date is November 3, 2017.