

**Proposition 10-10/11**

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**Proposed Committee Assignment:** Scholastic Affairs

**Actual Committee Assignment:** Scholastic Affairs Tuesday, 12/7/10 **AND 1/25/11**

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**Title:** A Proposition to amend the Viewing a Wider World description in the Undergraduate Catalog and NMSU Policy Manual to reinstate the requirement that the two VWW courses be taken from different colleges

**Proposal:**

We propose that the Policy Manual and Undergraduate Catalog be amended by adding the proposed text (three words) that will reinstate the unintentionally omitted language (in Proposition 25-07/08) requiring undergraduate students to take their Viewing a Wider World (VWW) courses in **two separate colleges**, while retaining the current option of taking one of them in their home college.

**Rationale:**

The original, pre-2008 language in the Catalog stated "NMSU students are required to take...6 credits of Viewing a Wider World **from two colleges other than their own.**" During the policy revision in 2008, this requirement was not explicitly stated, thus the new policy could be interpreted as allowing both classes to be taken from a single college or even the same department. This proposal amends the catalog and policy manual to fix this inadvertent omission.

**Proposed Text for NMSU Policy Manual (amended text in bold; nothing deleted)**

6.65 General Education Courses: Viewing a Wider World Courses

Prior to graduating, NMSU students are required to take two courses from the Viewing a Wider World list in the Undergraduate Catalog **from separate colleges**. These courses are upper-division (300-400 level) General Education courses and should be taken in a student's junior and/or senior year. One of the two courses must be in a college other than their own. The other course may be taken within their home college, but this course (1) must be in a different department from their major department; (2) must not be cross-listed with a course in their home department; and (3) cannot be counted as one of the requirements for the student's major.

**Proposed Text for Undergraduate Catalog (amended text in bold; nothing deleted)**

**NMSU Viewing a Wider World Courses**

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