MINOR ACADEMIC RESTRUCTURING PROPOSAL

Statement of Purpose:

- **Current name of department:** Global Cultures and Languages
- **Proposed name of department:** Modern Languages, Anthropology and Geography
- **Proposed by** Department Faculty (voted on and approved in Department meeting on December 10, 2015)
- **Reasons and Benefits:** Department members concur that the name change is in the best interests of the programs and students because
  - it is a more direct reflection of what courses and programs are offered within the department
  - it provides better general (websites, promotional materials, etc.) visibility of what the department offers
  - Web searches by prospective students are more likely to include words like “languages,” “anthropology,” and “geography” than “global” or “culture”
  - the inclusion of Geography in the proposed title reflects the fact that in this department is where all geography courses on campus are taught.

- **Costs:**
  - No new letterhead or other departmental materials have been ordered since the department name was changed to Global Cultures and Languages in 2009(?), so publication costs will be minimal.
  - The name Global Cultures and Languages is scattered about in many places on the internet, so time and vigilance will be required to locate and change them.
  - Sign in front of Old Art Building