TO: Dr. Sarah Fishman, Associate Dean, CLASS
FROM: Dr. Beth Olson, Director, Valenti School of Communication, ext. 3-2881
DATE: Sept. 15, 2010
RE: Proposal for changes in the Health Communication Minor of the VSoC

Background:
The Valenti School Undergraduate Committee reviewed the requirements for the Health Communication Minor, looking at the current UH catalog and discussing revisions for both clarity and effectiveness with faculty. The following recommendation was approved by the committee and endorsed by the faculty at our fall meeting:

Action:
1. Eliminate the two-track option for the Health Communication minor.
2. The minor would now be: COMM 3300 Health Communication required (3 hours) plus 15 hours from COMM 3301 Doctor-Patient Interaction, COMM 3302 E-Health and Telemedicine, COMM 3303 Health Literacy, COMM 3304 Multicultural Health Communication, COMM 3305 Communication and Catastrophic Illnesses, COMM 3340 Health Campaign Principles (CBM for course to be renamed Health Campaigns being submitted), COMM 3375 International Communications or COMM 4335 Crisis Communication.

Thank you.

If approved, the catalog language would read:

Health Communication Minor

Students seeking a minor in health communication must meet the following requirements:

1. A minimum of 18 semester hours.
3. Fifteen hours (five courses) from COMM 3301, 3302, 3303, 3304, 3305, 3340, 3375, 4335.