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**To:** [Brintlinger, Angela](#)  
**Cc:** [Kunkler, Eileen](#); [Reed, Katie](#); [Smith, Randy](#); [Carpenter, Thomas J.](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Degree name change request, MA in Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies  
**Date:** Thursday, June 3, 2021 2:59:35 PM  
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Dear Angela,

Thank you for clarifying that the requested change is for the SLVCEES program (and not the SLAVEES-MA) program. CAA should be able to act on the two documents you already sent.

All best,  
Anika

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**From:** "Brintlinger, Angela" <brintlinger.3@osu.edu>  
**Date:** Thursday, June 3, 2021 at 2:02 PM  
**To:** "Anthony, Anika" <anthoni.171@osu.edu>, "Kunkler, Eileen" <kunkler.10@osu.edu>  
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**Subject:** Re: Degree name change request, MA in Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies

Dear Anika,

Just to clarify: the Center for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies administers an MA program, with current program code SLVCEES, only.

We are hoping that by changing the code we will among other things avoid the constant error of conflating this MA program with SLAVEES-MA and SLAVEES-PH, the two graduate programs within the College of Arts and Sciences administered by the Department of Slavic and East European Languages and Cultures.

SLVEEES-MA will look different enough from SLAVEES-MA that we may be able to highlight the interdisciplinary degree and the fact that it also includes Eurasian material.

If I understand you, you are suggesting we rewrite our May 26 letter to Randy Smith to clarify that we want a new long code in SIS? Or can CAA act on the two documents we sent already?

Thank you,  
Angela

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**From:** Anthony, Anika <anthoni.171@osu.edu>

**Sent:** Thursday, June 3, 2021 1:45 PM

**To:** Kunkler, Eileen <kunkler.10@osu.edu>

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**Subject:** Re: Degree name change request, MA in Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies

Dear Eileen,

The Graduate School has reviewed the degree title change request for the MA in Slavic and East European Studies. Generally, the Graduate School has no concerns and it can go straight to CAA for review; however, the following considerations were noted:

1. The program is suggesting a new plan code. The Registrar's Office has the final say on any plan change. If the plan code is changed, then please be aware that current students will be under the old plan name. Historically, the Graduate School has allowed current students to make the choice to graduate from the program name in which they were admitted. The program can decide whether to notify current students about the switch or if current students will remain under the old plan.
2. Even though this is a degree title change, as a point of clarification, the degree title does not affect the name of the program. If you would also like the program name to change, then the description in SIS (known as the long code) will need to be updated. Please consider noting this in your letter to CAA.
3. The letter only mentions the SLAVEES-MA program. If the program would also like a similar change for the SLAVEES-PH program, please note this in your letter to CAA and complete a second CCGS Title Change form.

Following CAA approval, TJ and I can assist you with submitting the signed Title Change form(s) to CCGS.

Sincerely,  
Anika

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**From:** "Kunkler, Eileen" <kunkler.10@osu.edu>

**Date:** Friday, May 28, 2021 at 2:18 PM

**To:** "Smith, Randy" <smith.70@osu.edu>

**Cc:** "Brintlinger, Angela" <brintlinger.3@osu.edu>, "Anthony, Anika" <anthony.171@osu.edu>, "Reed, Katie" <reed.901@osu.edu>

**Subject:** Degree name change request, MA in Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies

Dear Dr. Smith,

Attached please find the degree name change request for the MA in Slavic and East European Studies, as well as the degree title change form, from Dr. Angela Brintlinger.

Please let us know if we need to do anything else to move this matter forward.

Best,  
Eileen



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May 26, 2021

Dr. Randy Smith  
Council on Academic Affairs  
203 Bricker Hall  
Columbus campus

Dear Dr. Smith:

The Center for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies (CSEEEES) within the Office of International Affairs recently went through the process of having its name changed to more accurately reflect its growing sphere of activities related to the Eurasian region. In light of the center's name change, CSEEEES is now requesting to change the name of the Master of Arts in Slavic and East European Studies to the **Master of Arts in Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies** with the new academic plan code of **SLVEEES**. Both the center's and degree's name change were approved unanimously by the Advisory Council of the Center for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies on November 12, 2020. This degree is an interdisciplinary area studies degree owned by the Graduate School but administered by CSEEEES. The name change will more accurately reflect already existing course offerings and the needs of graduating students who want to show their diverse regional expertise. This name change will not require any course code changes as CSEEEES does not own any courses.

If you have any questions or concerns, I would be happy to discuss them further.

Sincerely,

Angela Brintlinger  
Director



CHANGE REQUEST FORM  
DEGREE TITLE CHANGE

CCGS member institutions must use this form to request degree title changes for previously approved graduate programs. Change requests must be submitted through the institution’s CCGS representative. In order to ensure sufficient time for review, please submit all requests **at least four weeks prior to an upcoming meeting of the CCGS**. Documents may be submitted as PDF or Microsoft Office documents (e.g., Word or Excel).

Date of submission:

May 26, 2021

Name of institution:

The Ohio State University

Primary institutional contact for this request:

Name	Randy Smith
Title	Vice Provost for Academic Programs
Phone number	614-292-5881
E-mail	Smith.70@osu.edu

Previously approved title:

M.A. in Slavic and East European Studies

Proposed new title:

M.A. in Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies

Date that the request received final approval from the appropriate institutional committee:

March 25, 2021

Proposed implementation date:

August 1, 2021

Educator Preparation Programs:

Indicate whether the program that is being retitled leads to educator preparation licenses or endorsements.

Licensure No  
Endorsement No

**Please provide the following information:***1. Rationale for title change.*

The Center for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies recently finished the process of changing its name from the Center for Slavic and East European Studies. As the interdisciplinary area studies center that administers the current M.A. in Slavic and East European Studies, changing the name to M.A. in Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies will fully align the degree with the new name of the center while also more accurately reflecting the coursework of the program.

*2. Describe how the title change will affect students in the current program.*

Impact on current students will be minimal as the degree name change is not associated with any other changes to course codes or titles. The new name will better reflect the coursework that students are already completing, which includes significant Central Asian content. By creating a more inclusive degree name, students will be better positioned to market themselves on the job market as having Eurasian area studies expertise.

*3. Are there any administrative, curricular, faculty or support service changes occurring along with the title change? If "yes," please describe.*

No. The name change will not require any further administrative, curricular, faculty, or support service changes. All administrative and curricular options will stay as is. The Center for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies is not a tenure-initiating unit and does not own courses.

*4. Have the appropriate accreditation agencies been informed of the proposed change (if applicable)?*  
n/a

The person listed below verifies that this request has received the necessary institutional approvals and that the above information is truthful and accurate.

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Signature (Chief Academic Officer or Delegate – e.g., Graduate Dean)

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Typed Name & Title

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Date of Approval