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Dear Curriculum Committee Members:

Along with the required documentation for course approval, DLOT has developed the following checklist to ensure distance learning course quality and equity with traditionally delivered courses. DLOT supports faculty in their efforts to maximize student success and retention in distance learning courses by ensuring the incorporation of sound instructional design into all distance courses developed with assistance from DLOT.

FLIT 3044: Italian Composition has been developed with assistance from DLOT and we certify that the following criteria have been met or exceeded.

✓ **Course Overview and Introduction**  
Standard: The overall design of the course, navigational information, as well as course, instructor and student information are made transparent to the student at the beginning of the course.

✓ **Learning Objectives/Outcomes/Competencies**  
Standard: Learning objectives are clearly defined and explained. They assist the student in focusing on content and learning activities in order to achieve learning outcomes.

✓ **Assessment and Measurement**  
Standard: Assessment strategies are designed to measure student progress formatively and to demonstrate student achievement of stated learning objectives. Assessments are designed to maximize academic integrity of the courses.

✓ **Resources and Materials**  
Standard: Instructional materials are sufficiently comprehensive to achieve stated objectives and are prepared by content experts and instructional media developers.

✓ **Learner Interaction**  
Standard: Instructor-student interaction, student-content interaction, and student-peer interaction is incorporated into teaching and learning activities to stimulate student motivation, intellectual engagement, and personal development.

✓ **Course Technologies**  
Standard: Student learning is enhanced by course technologies that enrich instruction and foster student interactivity.

✓ **Learner Support**  
Standard: Courses provide support for students through fully accessible modes of delivery, providing access to library and external resources, and to student technical support.

✓ **ADA Compliance**  
Standard: The course is ADA compliant.

Should you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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