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**MEMO TO: Faculty Executive Committee**

**FROM: David I. Kertzer**

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**RE: Proposal to change the name of the Program in Ancient Studies**

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I am writing to let you know that in its meeting last week, the Academic Priorities Committee endorsed the proposal to change the name of the Program in Ancient Studies to the Program in Early Cultures. The new name will, it is thought, better reflect the “wide geographical coverage and long temporal reach of the program.” Faculty members associated with the Program and on the Program’s Steering Committee were consulted in the process of proposing the name change. The proposal was also posted on the Academic Priorities Committee website last month, and Faculty members were invited to respond. Six responses were received, the majority in favor.

The Academic Priorities Committee is pleased to support and proposal and encourages its consideration by the Faculty. The proposal can be found on the APC website at <http://www.brown.edu/Administration/Provost/proposed/EarlyCultures.pdf>.