

Dear _____ Majors,

According to the Registrar, you have listed yourself as majoring in _____. The Yale College Committee on Majors is now undertaking a review of the undergraduate programs in _____, and we would be very grateful to you if you could write to us with your impressions of your program. This review is part of a regular cycle in which all the majors in Yale College will be studied.

Please take a moment to consider the questions below. By replying to this e-mail, please answer any or all of these questions, insofar as you feel qualified to do so. Or if you have other concerns not addressed by these questions, please feel free to write about them to us. **ALL COMMENTS WILL BE KEPT ANONYMOUS AND CONFIDENTIAL.** While a summary may be shared with the Chair and the DUSes of _____, no individual student will be personally identified as the source of a comment.

Please consider the following questions as suggestions or guidelines for a response:

- 1) Why did you choose to major in _____? What major did you intend to follow when you matriculated at Yale?
- 2) How did you choose the particular courses you have taken in _____? How well does the Blue Book description match the actual courses you took? Are there other materials, such as on the Yale website, that you found helpful in this regard, or would like to see expanded?
- 3) In your opinion, what aspects of the programs in _____ have been most successful?
- 4) Are there problems in the current programs? Are course offerings adequate? Are there serious gaps in the curriculum? Are facilities adequate?
- 5) Do the introductory courses adequately prepare students for advanced work in the major? For related fields outside the major?
- 6) Is faculty advising (with regard to offerings in the major and for opportunities after graduation) adequate?

The Committee on Majors is chaired by _____ and includes _____.

To be most useful to the Committee, your replies should be sent by _____.

Your opinion really matters. Even if you do not feel you want to comment on every question, please write back.

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