HOBART AND WILLIAM SMITH COLLEGES
PETITION FOR CERTIFICATION, GOAL 7

Name: _______________________________ College: ______________  ID Number: ___________

Advisor: _______________________________

Goal 7. A critical knowledge of the multiplicity of world cultures, as expressed for example, in
their languages, histories, literatures, philosophies, religious and cultural traditions, social and
economic structures, and modes of artistic expression.

Courses in history, literature, language, the arts and the social sciences that study and explore the
multiplicity of world cultures address this goal, as does the experience of a different culture in an
off-campus program. “Critical knowledge” refers to a broad understanding that allows students to
understand the global complexity of the world and their place in it; this can include but is not
limited to a critique of cultures. Students will generally address this goal through a combination of
courses.

Student Narrative: How have you addressed this goal? Write a brief statement that specifies the
course work or credit-bearing academic work you have done to support this goal and your
understanding of how it addresses this goal. Other experiences may be part of this statement, but
not its full justification. Submit two copies of the completed narrative to your advisor for discussion
and possible approval.

Advisor’s Certification
I accept this petition as evidence that this student has addressed Goal 7.

Signed: ________________________________  Date: _____________________

Note to Advisor: Send signed original to Registrar and retain a copy in the student’s advising folder.