The University of Oklahoma

**Academic Programs Council**

**Program Proposal Requests Distributed for May 4, 2018 meeting**

**SUBSTANTIVE:**

COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE

Interior Design, Master of Science in Interior Design (RPC 383, MC M586, M587, M588). Course requirement change. The current request is to give the students an option to take either ARCH 5053 or ID 5153. This will provide the students with additional flexibility to layout their course work, since the two courses are offered in two different semesters. Total credit hours for the degree will not change.

Reason for request: The content of the course ARCH 5053 is very similar to the content of the course ID 5153, except that ARCH 5053 focuses on the built environment as a whole instead of just Interior

Design. Additionally, this will provide the Division of Interior Design with the flexibility to not have to offer the course I D 5153 every year if there are reduced numbers of students in the class.

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Film and Media Studies, Bachelor of Arts (RPC 316, MC B429). Option name change and program requirement changes. Change the Level IV option name to Film and Media Studies. 1) Remove ENGL 4253, Introduction to Film Theory, from the Core Requirements. 2) Replace 3 hours of the current 21 hours of Major and Guided Electives with a specific category of elective: Creative Skills Requirement. 3) Remove the list of Guided Electives from the checksheet to a list maintained in the department and publish it online. 4) Remove WGS 3813, Female Heroism in Hollywood, from the list of Guided Electives and add ENGL 4253, Introduction to Film Theory, GEOG 3113, Media Geographies, WGS 3703, Female Heroism in Hollywood, and WGS 3813, Sociology of Gender & Sexuality, to the list of Guided Electives. Total credit hours for the degree will not change.

Reason for request: When a request for program name change was submitted in 2010 to change from Film and Video Studies to Film and Media Studies (FMS), the option name change was not completed. FMS would like to correct this so that the option name is Film and Media Studies as well. 1) FMS would like to remove ENGL 4253, Introduction to Film Theory, as an option for the theory requirement in the Core Requirements, leaving FMS 3213, Media Theories and Methodologies, a survey that incorporates media theory in with film theory. We would like to move ENGL 4253 to the list of Guided Electives, as it is a senior level course that delves more deeply in to specific theorists and approaches. 2) FMS would like to replace 3 hours of the current 21 hours of Major and Guided Electives with a specific category of elective: Creative Skills Requirement. Practical application of skills improves student understanding of concepts while also providing real world skills to take into the work place. The Creative Skills Requirement would be satisfied by taking one course from existing FMS production/skills-based courses: FMS 2123, 3313, 3323, 3703, 3713, and 3853. FMS 1313, Narrative Production Basics which is in process as a New Course Proposal will be listed as well. A list of Creative Skills courses offered in ART, DRAM, and JMC will be maintained by the department for options in this requirement. 3) FMS would like to remove the list of Guided Electives from the checksheet to a list maintained in the department and publish it online. The list of Guided Electives has grown to the point that visually, it dominates the checksheet. We need more space on the checksheet to clarify the nature and addition of the Creative Skills Requirement to the curriculum. 4) GEOG 3113, Media Geographies and WGS 3813, Sociology of Gender & Sexuality in the Media, are new courses on campus which FMS would like to add to the list of Guided Electives. Additionally, one of the courses currently listed as an FMS Guided Elective, WGS 3813, Female Heroism in Hollywood, has been assigned a permanent number, WGS 3703, Female Heroism in Hollywood. FMS would like to delete the course as listed under the variable topics number, WGS 3813, and add it under the permanent number WGS 3703. We would also like to add ENGL 4253, Introduction to Film Theory, to the list of Guided Electives, having removed it from the Core Requirements.

Social Work, Bachelor of Arts (RPC 210, MC B840). Course requirement change. We are deleting a 3-hour core course (S WK 3243), and changing the credit hours from 1 to 3 on two core courses (4311 & 4331), and changing those course numbers to 4313 and 4323, and moving some of the courses to improve the alignment of our curriculum. Total credit hours for the degree will not change.

Reason for request: The School of Social Work proposes the expansion of SWK 4311 & SWK 4331 (new course numbers: 4313 & 4323) to provide students more time for the important work of processing and reflecting upon their practicum experience. Additionally, students will have more opportunities to integrate the new Council on Social Work Education educational competencies with their practicum work.

The course content from SWK 3243 is being moved to the newly expanded SWK 4313 & SWK 4323 courses. The students will be in practicum agencies while taking SWK 4313 & 4323, which will help them apply the course content about organizational assessment.

JEANNINE RAINBOLT COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Language Arts Education, Bachelor of Science in Education (RPC 143, MC B625). Course requirement change. EDSP 3054 is changing to EDSP 3053. ILAC 4143 and EDUC 4060 are being added to the Professional Education column. Writing electives are being reduced from 9 to 6 hours and all 9 hours of guided electives are being eliminated. This will increase the Professional Education column from 26 to 38 hours and reduce the Specialized Education column from 57 to 45 hours. Total credit hours for the degree will not change.

Reason for request: To update the courses to meet accreditation requirements. EDSP 3054 is changing to EDSP 3053. ILAC 4143 and EDUC 4060 are being added to the Professional Education column. Writing electives are being reduced from 9 to 6 hours and all 9 hours of guided electives are being eliminated. This will allow the Graduate Certification Component to be brought into the bachelor’s degree making Language Arts uniform with all other BS in Ed degrees. This will increase the Professional Education column from 26 to 38 hours and reduce the Specialized Education column from 57 to 45 hours.

Mathematics Education, Bachelor of Science in Education (RPC 156, MC B673). Course requirement change. EDSP 3054 is changing to EDSP 3053. The additional hour will be added to specialized education electives increasing it from 4-7 to 5-8 hours. In addition, ILAC 4143 is being replaced with ILAC 4243. This will reduce the Professional Education column from 38 to 37 hours and increase Specialized Education column from 41 to 42 hours. Total credit hours for the degree will not change.

Reason for request: To update the courses to meet accreditation requirements. EDSP 3054 is changing to EDSP 3053. The additional hour will be added to specialized education electives increasing it from 4-7 to 5-8 hours. In addition, ILAC 4143 is being replaced with ILAC 4243. This will reduce the Professional Education column from 38 to 37 hours and increase Specialized Education column from 41 to 42 hours.

Social Studies Education, Bachelor of Science in Education (RPC 208, MC B837). Course requirement change. EDSP 3054 is changing to EDSP 3053. The additional hour will be added to advisor approved electives increasing it from 4 to 5 hours. ILAC 4143 will be replaced with ILAC 4243. This will reduce the Professional Education column from 35 to 34 hours and increase Specialized Education column from 44 to 45 hours. Total credit hours for the degree will not change.

Reason for request: To update the courses to meet accreditation requirements. EDSP 3054 is changing to EDSP 3053. The additional hour will be added to advisor approved electives increasing it from 4 to 5 hours. ILAC 4143 will be replaced with ILAC 4243. This will reduce the Professional Education column from 35 to 34 hours and increase Specialized Education column from 44 to 45 hours.

World Language Education, Bachelor of Science in Education (RPC 083, MC B833-P266, B833-P271, B833-P411, B833-P621). Course requirement changes. All 4 tracks: EDSP 3054 is changing to EDSP 3053. LING 4023 and MLLL 4813 are being replaced with EDWL 4023 and EDWL 4033 and moved to the Professional Ed column. ILAC 4143 will be replaced with ILAC 4243. EDUC 4050 and 4060 are changing from 4-5 to 5 hours for a total of 10 hours of Internship to be consistent with internships in other program areas. This will increase the Professional Education column from 30 to 34 hours and reduce the Specialized Education column from 46 to 39 hours. *French*: Additional specialized electives are being reduces from 6 to 2-3 hours. *German:* GERM 3623 is being removed. GERM 4000-5000 is reduced from 6 to 3 hours. Additional specialized electives are being increased from 3 to 5 hours. *Latin:* Additional specialized electives are being increased from 0 to 1 hours. *Spanish:* Additional advisor approved specialized electives are being decreased from 12 to 8 hours. Total credit hours for the degree will not change.

Reason for request: To update courses to meet accreditation requirements and changing total of Internship hours to be consistent with internships in other program areas.

GALLOGLY COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Biomedical Engineering, Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering (RPC 413, MC B108). Program requirement change. Change in foundational biology course (replace BIOL 1114 and 1121 with BIOL 1124); addition of a 1 hour circuits course (ENGR 2431) to better prepare the students for Signals and Systems for BME; a more applicable/appropriate programming course (replace C S 1313 with C S 1213); removed a required Chemistry course (CHEM 3653) to allow for flexibility in choosing an upper-division biology elective relevant to the student's area of specific interest; title change for BME 2433 to Signals and Systems for Biomedical Engineering and course number change for BME 3823 to 4813; and modification of several course prerequisites to better prepare students as they move through the required course sequence. Total credit hours for the degree will not change.

Reason for request: To ensure that our BS BME/MS BME graduates are better prepared and are more competitive for top medical schools and graduate schools.

Computer Engineering, Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering (RPC 332, MC B225). Course requirement change. ECE 2523 is a new course and will replace ISE 3293. Total credit hours for the degree will not change.

Reason for request: The School of Electrical and Computer Engineering (ECE) runs a continual improvement program evaluation process as part of the School's ABET reaccreditation effort. As part of this process, the School identified the need for strengthening students' mathematical skills within the curriculum. Both statistics fundamentals and statistical applications specific to the discipline were areas identified as needing stronger support. The ECE faculty discussed potential solutions and voted to develop a new statistics course specific to ECE. Actions were then initiated to develop the proposed course. In the fall of 2017 during the onsite ABET reaccreditation review, the external evaluators of the ECE programs reached the same conclusion as the ECE faculty. The external evaluators reported the lack of adequate and targeted statistics within the curriculum as a program concern for both the electrical engineering and the computer engineering programs offered within ECE.

Electrical Engineering, Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering (RPC 059, MC B350). Course requirement change. ECE 2523 is a new course and will replace ISE 3293. Total credit hours for the degree will not change.

Reason for request: The School of Electrical and Computer Engineering (ECE) runs a continual improvement program evaluation process as part of the School's ABET reaccreditation effort. As part of this process, the School identified the need for strengthening students' mathematical skills within the curriculum. Both statistics fundamentals and statistical applications specific to the discipline were areas identified as needing stronger support. The ECE faculty discussed potential solutions and voted to develop a new statistics course specific to ECE. Actions were then initiated to develop the proposed course. In the fall of 2017 during the onsite ABET reaccreditation review, the external evaluators of the ECE programs reached the same conclusion as the ECE faculty. The external evaluators reported the lack of adequate and targeted statistics within the curriculum as a program concern for both the electrical engineering and the computer engineering programs offered within ECE.

**NONSUBSTANTIVE:**

JEANNINE RAINBOLT COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Educational Studies, Master of Education (RPC 115, MC M330). Course requirement change. The EDS Faculty updated the title and course information for two courses to be more inclusive of more contemporary research methodologies informing historical research, such as the development of digital humanities platforms. Similarly, the courses are focusing more on actual historical research methodologies, such as depth archival research and oral histories. Total credit hours for the degree will not change.

Reason for request: The EDS faculty requested these changes to update their current information backing. EDS 5943 will give students the opportunity to understand the overall history of the state, as it pertains to the school/schooling history of communities of color. Many of the students in the college focus on localize research, and have not had the opportunity to engage in scholarship that will deepen their understanding of Oklahoma as a critical space that can facilitate a historical conversation on race and education. EDS 5913 will allow students to focus on the individual day to day experience of the fastest growing population in U.S. schools.

**ADMINISTRATIVE/INTERNAL:**

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

English, Bachelor of Arts (RPC 068, MC B375-P421, B374-P696). Course requirement change. *Literary and Cultural Studies concentration:* We propose to revise the distribution requirements for the English major. Rather than select seven courses from four of six groups, majors concentrating in Literary & Cultural Studies (LCS - P421) will complete one course in LCS pre-1700, one course in LCS post-I 700, and one course in multicultural LCS. The core courses for the major remain unchanged. *Writing concentration:* We propose to revise the distribution requirements for English majors concentrating in Writing (P696). Instead of taking four designated Writing courses and three Literary & Cultural Studies (LCS) courses selected from Groups I-VI, students will take four writing courses and three major electives in Writing or LCS. The core courses for the major remain unchanged. Total credit hours for the degree will not change.

Reason for request: The English Department proposes to offer our majors more flexible distribution requirements and more freedom to choose electives within the major. We would like to afford students more opportunity to shape their courses of study and to seek the advice of faculty mentors whose research and teaching area address students’ interests and goals.

Information Studies, Minor (MC N560). Course requirement change. 1) Add "A grade of C or better must be earned in each course presented for minor credit." 2) Remove the following two courses from required courses and MOVE THEM to Information Technology Core Courses guided electives list: LIS 4223 Information Technology Management; LIS 4633 Design and Implementation of Web-Based Information Systems. 3) Add LIS 4643 Introduction to Data Analytics as a required course. 4) Move LIS 4683 from a guided elective to a required course under Database Design for Information Organizations 5) Delete the following guided electives: Information technology core courses - GEOG 2543, LIS 3003, LIS 4990; Information and Society core courses - HIST 3653; Organizational Communication core courses - COMM 3473. Total credit hours for the minor will not change.

Reason for request: 1) Ensures consistency with grade requirements for major. 2) The previously required courses will no longer be required for the major. They are moving to guided electives for the major. 3) The content of this new course will be significant to the minor. 4) This course content is significant to the minor. 5) These courses have been deleted or changed by their respective departments.

COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS

Music-Instrumental Jazz, Bachelor of Arts in Music (RPC 305, MC B703-P332). Course requirement change. Move MUS 4023 Capstone from Performance and Music Electives to Musicianship. Reduce Advised Music Electives from 7 hours to 3 hours. Increase Other Requirements from 43 hours to 47 hours. Add note: "The Bachelor of Arts degree requires at least 80 hours of liberal arts coursework." Total credit hours for the minor will not change.

Reason for request: To meet accreditation requirements for the National Association of Schools of Music. A certain percentage of courses must fall under categories of "Musicianship", "Performance and Music Electives" and "Other Requirements".

GAYLORD COLLEGE OF JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION

Professional Writing, Minor (MC N796). Admission requirement change to the minor. Remove the 10 page (double-spaced) prose piece prior to acceptance into the minor. Total credit hours for the minor will not change.

Reason for request: Students are unclear on what form the 10-page sample should be, such as formatting, subject matter and execution. This requirement is hindering the enrollment for this minor.

**ADMINISTRATIVE/INTERNAL REQUESTS FOR APC CHAIR TO REVIEW:**

COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE

Bachelor of Science in Architectural Studies/Master of Science in Architecture (RPC 429/012, MC A043/F046) – Course requirement change. We are proposing to delete one course (ARCH 1112) and add two credits to another course (ARCH 1153 to 1155). We request permission to change the name of Methods III - Materials and Forms to simply "Materials and Forms." We note that we are changing the course number for Structures I from 4133 to 4193. We are requesting permission to move math and science requirements in the semester by semester sequence to better align with University College requirements. Total hours for the degree will not change.

Reason for request: We are deleting ARCH 1112 Cultures of Collaboration. This course sought to foster interdisciplinary collaboration among freshman in architecture, interior design, construction science and environmental design. We have collectively learned, however, that first semester freshman do not understand their own disciplines well enough to be able to grasp the purpose of collaboration in professional practice. Thus we plan to fostering collaborations among our freshman through field trips, social events and other means.

We are adding two credits to ARCH 1153 to make it 1155. The proposed change would allow us to provide more time for learning basic design in the first semester. Every other studio in our ten semester studio sequence meets from 1:30-5:20pm MWF and is valued at 5 - 6 credits. Re-establishing Design I as a similarly organized studio course will strengthen the studio culture and allow students the necessary time to develop their drawing, modelling and design skills in the first semester. By deleting Cultures of Collaboration, we can re-assign these two credits and the class time to the first semester studio, from which they bad been subtracted.

We request permission to change the name of Methods III - Materials and Forms to simply "Materials and Forms." This will allow us to cross-list it with the same course in Construction Science. The content remains the same. We note that we are changing the course prefix for Structures I from 4133 to 4193. This will allow us to cross-list the course with Construction Science. The content remains the same.

GALLOGLY COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering/Master of Science (in Biomedical Engineering) (RPC 413/353, MC A108/F109-Q062) – requesting the same changes as the Bachelor of Science.

Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering/Master of Science (in Computer Science) (RPC 332/132, MC A225/F235-Q147) – requesting the same changes as the Bachelor of Science.

Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering/Master of Science (in Electrical and Computer Engineering) (RPC 332/060, MC A226/F226) – requesting the same changes as the Bachelor of Science.

Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering/Master of Science (in Electrical and Computer Engineering) (RPC 059/060, MC A350/F350) – requesting the same changes as the Bachelor of Science.