

Approval Chart for Curriculum Changes

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Course Number _____ or Degree Plan(s) IDSC Early Childhood/Elementary
State the requested change and reason. A memo may be attached if more space is necessary.

Change social science/humanities menu

Current menu: Choose 6 hours from: (two different areas).....(6)¹ HIST 117, 118, 221, 222, INTS 212, 217, GEOG 235, 354, POLS 225, 226

Proposed new menu:

Choose 3 hours from HIST 117, 118, 221, or 222

Choose 3 hours from POLS 221, POLS 222, or ECON 260

Choose 3 hours from GEOG 235, GEOG 354, INTS 212, or INTS 217

Rationale provided at the end of this document

Circle the number that corresponds to the requested change. Degree plan changes are on the second page.

COUNCIL**

	Change to a Course	Dept./School	College Academic	Deans	TEC	UGEC	UUAC	GRAD	Provost	President
1.	Title (description unchanged)	A	A	A		I			I	I
2.	Description (not affecting content)	A	A	A		I			I	I
3.	Content (substantive change)	A	A	A		I			A	A
4.	Number of hours (lecture, lab, contact)	A	A	A		A			A	A
5.	Course number within the hundred	A	A	I		I			I	I
6.	Course number beyond the hundred	A	A	A		A			A	A
7.	Prerequisites	A	A	A		I			I	I
8.	Course fee(s)	A	--	A		--			A	I
9.	From U to G <i>or</i> G to U	A	A	A		A			A	A
10.	Cross list with another dept: U or G level	A	A	A		A			A	A
11.	Department of record	A	A	A		A			A	A
12.	Open or close a course	A	A	A		A			A	A
13.	New course — See Adams Center for packet. This change includes combining or splitting a course(s).	A	A	A		A			A	A

* Councils may request additional information about "Information" items. These items are approved as "Consent Agenda."

**Courses offered only to students seeking teacher certification must go through the Teacher Education Council.

Note: When an academic unit does not have a council, the UGEC and/or UUAC will serve as its academic council, depending on the nature of the issue.

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	Change to a Degree Plan	Dept./School	College Academic	Deans	TEC	COUNCIL			Provost	Faculty	President
						UGEC	UUAC	GRAD			
1.	University Requirements — Change in approved course content**	A	A	A		A			A	--	A
2.	University Requirements — Add or drop a required course from the University Requirements chart**	A	A	A		A			A	A	A
3.	University Requirements — Add or drop a course from a menu within the University Requirements**	A	A	A		A			A	--	A
4.	University Requirements — Change hours within a menu on the University Requirements chart**	A	A	A		A			A	A	A
4.	Major — Revision of major ♦ ‡	A	A	A		A			A	--	A
5.	Major — Adopt or change admission requirements	A	A	A		A			A	--	A
6.	Major — Add or discontinue	A	A	A		A			A	A	A
7.	GPA — Revise major or cumulative requirement	A	A	A		A			A	A	A
8.	Minor — Revise course selection	A	A	A		I			I	--	I
	Minor — Add or discontinue	A	A	A		A			A	--	A
9.	Degree — Add or discontinue	A	A	A		A			A	A	A
10.	Any change to a graduate degree program*	A	A	A		A			A	--	A

♦ A minimum of 30 hours is required for a major. A maximum is specified for each degree (e.g., BA, BS). The university minimum for elective hours is 6, unless the requirements of external accrediting bodies make it impossible.

‡ Program or course changes applying to any major that includes Teacher Certification will be reviewed by the college, the Teacher Education Council (TEC), and then the UUAC.

* All graduate degree plan changes must go through the Graduate Council.

** Courses that satisfy ACU's University Requirements (General Education) will normally have lower-level numbering, be free of prerequisites and corequisites, appeal to more than one or two majors, and "not narrowly focus on those skills, techniques, and procedures specific to a particular occupation or profession" (SACS 2.7.3). Departments may request exceptions to the first three criteria.

Note: The Board of Trustees is informed when a major or degree is added or discontinued.

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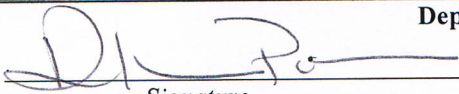
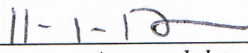
Approval Chart for Academic Information Changes

	Change to the Catalog	Dept./School	College Academic	Deans	UGEC	UUAC	GRAD	Provost	Faculty	President	Board of Trustees
1.	General requirements for graduation including course requirements that are common to all majors for all degrees*	--	--	--		A		A	A	A	--
2.	Admission requirements	--	--	--		A		A	A	A	--
3.	Policies governing academic probation and suspension	--	--	--		A		A	A	A	--
4.	Requirements for graduating with honors	--	--	--		A		A	A	A	--
5.	Other academic policy changes	--	--	--		A		A	--	A	

* The UUAC approved the clarification that "general requirements for graduation" means the seventeen items in the "General Requirements for Bachelor's Degrees" section of the catalog.

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Curriculum/Catalog Changes Signature Page

Department/School Chair(s)	
 Signature	 Approval date
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College Academic Council(s)	
 Signature	 Approval date
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Dean(s)	
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Teacher Education Council	
_____ Chair's signature	_____ Approval date

General Education Council	
_____ Chair's signature	_____ Approval date

Undergraduate Academic Council	
_____ Chair's signature	_____ Approval date

Graduate Council	
_____ Chair's signature	_____ Approval date

Provost	
_____ Signature	_____ Approval date

Faculty	
_____ Chair of faculty senate	_____ Approval date

President	
_____ Signature	_____ Approval date

Teacher candidates in Elementary/Early Childhood are responsible to teach social studies content through 6th grade. Prior to the implementation of the new university core, we were able to provide 12 hours of social science for our teacher candidates. The new core includes only 6 hours of social science/humanities. This is a serious challenge for these future teachers. The state is also appropriately increasing the standards for passing the social studies domain on the certification exam. I have included below the social studies domain results of the most recent testing cohort.

Because EDUC 211 fulfills the cultural awareness requirement, we can add three hours of social science without adding hours to the degree.

Overall Sca	ELAR	Math	Social St.	Science	Fine Arts, Health & PE	Avg. of 3 Domains	THEA Math Scores
269	90	83	88	77	73	79	285
261	83	88	75	64	93	77	260
263	85	96	79	55	87	74	290
268	85	88	71	86	80	79	296
267	88	83	83	73	87	81	275
255	75	75	83	59	93	78	282
269	88	88	83	77	80	80	293
259	90	71	75	64	87	75	297
233	73	50	54	55	80	63	238
267	83	100	88	73	67	76	291
249	78	79	63	59	93	72	277
252	78	92	63	82	53	66	260
255	85	79	54	73	93	73	268
260	83	92	67	64	93	75	268
260	80	83	67	68	100	78	264
248	70	88	79	55	73	69	243
273	93	92	75	86	80	80	290
256	83	75	75	64	87	75	243
266	83	83	75	86	87	83	275
277	85	92	100	77	87	88	279
286	90	96	88	100	93	94	282
269	85	83	92	82	73	82	279
289	95	96	96	91	100	96	274
264	88	88	71	73	87	77	276
262	85	83	79	64	87	77	258
249	63	92	71	73	80	75	282
255	78	79	71	77	80	76	280
275	83	92	96	73	100	90	293
252	73	75	83	68	80	77	228, 264
253	75	83	67	64	93	75	294
270	83	92	88	73	93	85	282
279	88	92	88	95	93	92	292
246	83	67	58	59	73	63	246
269	83	92	92	64	93	83	255
262	83	83	79	73	80	77	275
258	70	92	75	73	93	80	275
262	82	85	78	72	85	78	

Remove ART 287 and replace it in the degree plan with the new course, EDUC 287 Integrating the Arts Across the Elementary Curriculum

This is what you currently see in catalog in the Social Science/Humanities section:

Social Sciences/Humanities

Choose 6 hours from: (two different areas)(6)¹ HIST 117, 118, 221, 222, INTS 212, 217, GEOG 235, 354, POLS 225, 226

This is what it should change to in the 2012/2013 catalog although I do not know the standard format.

Social Sciences/Humanities

Choose 9 hours of social science from the following.....3(6)¹

3 hours from HIST 117, 118, 221, or 222

3 hours from POLS 221, POLS 222 or ECON 260

3 hours from GEOG 235, GEOG 354, INTS 212, or INTS 217

This will not result in an increase in hours because EDUC 476 will now fulfill the cultural awareness requirement. This course should be noted with the parentheses to indicate that it fulfills a university requirement. It should appear in the following format in the catalog:

EDUC 476 Effective Teaching Strategies for English Language Learners(3)¹