

Approval Chart for Curriculum Changes

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Course Number CHEM 114 or Degree Plan(s) BSN
 State the requested change and reason. A memo may be attached if more space is necessary.

Remove CHEM 114 selection from the Nursing Degree plan. NUTR 120 and NUTR 221, which are already in place, are more applicable to the Nursing curriculum.

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

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	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 department: 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 website for application and process. This change includes combining or splitting a course(s).	A	A	A	A				A	A

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		COUNCIL ³									
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1.	University Requirements — Change in approved course content ⁶	A	A	A	A			A	--	A	I
2.	University Requirements — Add or drop a required course from the University Requirements chart ⁶	A	A	A	A			A	A	A	I
3.	University Requirements — Add or drop a course from a menu within the University Requirements ⁶	A	--	--	A			A	--	A	I
4.	University Requirements — Change hours within a menu on the University Requirements chart ⁶	A	A	A	A			A	A	A	I
5.	Major — Revision of major ^{4,5}	A	A	A	A			A	--	A	--
6.	Major — Adopt or change admission requirements	A	A	A	A			A	--	A	--
7.	Major — Add ^{4,5}	A	A	A	A			A	A	A	I
8.	Major – Discontinue (proposed by the department or college)	A	A	A	A			A	A	A	I
9.	Major – Discontinue (proposed by the Provost)	See below.									
10.	GPA — Revise major or cumulative requirement	A	A	A	A			A	A	A	--
11.	Minor — Revise course selection	A	A	A	I			I	--	I	--
12.	Minor — Add	A	A	A	A			A	--	A	--
13.	Minor – Discontinue (proposed by the department or college)	A	A	A	A			A	--	A	--
14.	Minor – Discontinue (proposed by the Provost)	See below.									
15.	Degree — Add	A	A	A	A			A	A	A	I
16.	Degree – Discontinue (proposed by the department or college)	A	A	A	A			A	A	A	I
17.	Degree – Discontinue (proposed by the Provost)	See below.									
18.	Any change to a graduate degree program	A	A	A	A			A	--	A	--

COUNCIL ³										
	Provost-Proposed Change	Provost	Department	Dean	TEC	UUAC	Graduate	Faculty	President	Board of Trustees
1.	Major/Graduate Program – Discontinue (proposed by the Provost)	A	R	R	A			A	A	I
2.	Minor – Discontinue (proposed by the Provost)	A	R	R	A			--	A	--
3.	Degree – Discontinue (proposed by the Provost)	A	R	R	A			A	A	I

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	Change to the Catalog Information	Dept./School	College Academic	Deans	UGEC	UUAC	GRAD	Provost	President
1.	General requirements for graduation including course requirements that are common to all majors for all degrees ⁷	--	--	--		A		A	A
2.	Admission requirements	--	--	--		A		A	A
3.	Policies governing academic probation and suspension	--	--	--		A		A	A
4.	Requirements for graduating with honors	--	--	--		A		A	A
5.	Other academic policy changes	--	--	--		A		A	A

¹ Councils may request additional information about "Information" items. These items are approved as "Consent Agenda."

² The Dean and Department should respond to the Provost's recommendation to close a program in writing. Advise & Respond (R) requires that the voting body should receive the written responses at least one week prior to the vote.

³ All courses that meet University Requirements for general education must go through UGEC. Courses or degrees offered only to students seeking teacher certification must go through the Teacher Education Council. All undergraduate changes must go before the UUAC. All graduate degree plan changes must go through the Graduate Council.

⁴ 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.

⁵ Program or course changes that apply to any major that includes Teacher Certification will be reviewed by the college, the Teacher Education Council (TEC), and then the UUAC.

⁶ Courses that satisfy ACU's University Requirements (General Education) will normally have lower-level numbering, be free of prerequisites and co-requisites, 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.

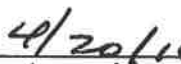
⁷ The UUAC approved the clarification that "general requirements for graduation" means the enumerated items in the "General Requirements for Bachelor's Degrees" section of the catalog.

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Graduate Council	
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Provost	
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To Whom It May Concern:

The Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry has been informed of the decision to request that CHEM 114 Introductory Organic and Biological Chemistry be removed from the nursing degree plan.

There was a time when nursing students used to take 11 hours of chemistry, including two labs. With this change, nursing students will take one three-hour lecture course in chemistry that includes no organic or biological chemistry. Medications are almost all organic compounds and the chemistry of the human body is all biological chemistry, so from my perspective it seems that any nursing professional would want to understand something about the foundations of how medications work in the human body. I want the nurses who are caring for me to understand something about these concepts.

That being said, I note that Texas Tech, the University of Texas, and Texas A&M BSN programs all require only 3 or 4 hours of chemistry, so I trust that nursing students are getting whatever chemistry they need to know in some other coursework. I fully acknowledge that I do not know the educational needs of nursing students or where else they might receive the chemistry and biochemistry knowledge that they might need.

The effect that this proposal will have on the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry is minimal. We will continue to offer one section of CHEM 114 for other majors that still require it, so this will not affect the number of courses offered by the department or the number of people needed to teach those courses.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kim L. Pamplin', is written over a horizontal line.

Kim L. Pamplin
Professor and Chair