

Approval Chart for Curriculum Changes

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Course Number SOCW 481 or Degree Plan(s) _____

State the requested change and reason. A memo may be attached if more space is necessary.

Reduce course from 5 credit hours to 4 credit hours.

The School of Social Work recently aligned the minimum required field with the CSWE Requirements. Prior to 2020-2021, majors were required to complete 450 hours within a two-Semester sequence. This was reduced to 400 hours minimum. Additionally, benchmarking with other social work programs revealed that it is common to offer four credit hours per semester for the 400 hour field practicum. This change will allow us to be consistent with field norms.

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

		COUNCIL ³								
	Change to a Course	Dept./School	College Academic	Deans	TEC	UGEC	UAC	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.	Course term(s)	A	I	A	I				I	I
4.	Content (substantive change)	A	A	A	I				A	I
5.	Number of hours (lecture, lab, contact)	A	A	A	A				A	I
6.	Course number within the hundred	A	A	I	I				I	I
7.	Course number beyond the hundred	A	A	A	A				A	I
8.	Prerequisites	A	A	A	I				I	I
9.	Course fee(s)	A	--	A	--				A	I
10.	From U to G or G to U	A	A	A	A				A	I
11.	Cross list with another department: U or G level	A	A	A	A				A	I
12.	Department of record	A	A	A	A				A	I
13.	Open or close a course	A	A	A	A				A	I
14.	New course — See website for application and process. This change includes combining or splitting a course(s).	A	A	A	A				A	I

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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.

	Change to a Degree Plan	Dept./School	College Academic	Deans	COUNCIL ³			Provost	Faculty	President	Board of Trustees
					U	U	U				
1.	University Requirements — Change in approved course content ⁶	A	A	A	A			A	--	A	--
2.	University Requirements — Add or drop a required course from the University Requirements chart ⁶	A	A	A	A			A	A	A	--
3.	University Requirements — Add or drop a course from a menu within the University Requirements ⁶	A	--	--	A			A	--	A	--
4.	University Requirements — Change hours within a menu on the University Requirements chart ⁶	A	A	A	A			A	A	A	--
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	--

	Provost-Proposed Change	Provost	Department	Dean	COUNCIL ³		Faculty	President	Board of Trustees
					U	U			
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	Faculty 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

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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