REQUEST FOR PROGRAM CHANGE(S)
University of Central Oklahoma

Please note: All information contained in this form will be reviewed by persons outside of your college. Please use clear and concise language when completing this form.

Name of program-major or minor to be changed: (maximum of 30 spaces)
Existing Name: Psychology – General Psychology

Proposed Name: (if changing)(maximum of 30 spaces)
*Remember when abbreviating names, this is how they will appear on student’s transcripts.

Proposed Name: (full name of program/major if longer than 30 spaces)

Is this a: ______ Program        X Major        _____ Minor        _____ Sequence of Courses

Proposed change:
X Name Change
X Degree Designation
X Admission Requirement
X Curriculum Change
GPA Requirement
X Other: Added statement concerning
Accelerated Degree Plan

Is this program: ______ Undergraduate        X Graduate

Is this a teacher preparation program? (All courses required for any teacher preparation program must have approval from the Council on Teacher Education (CTE) before approval from AACC or Graduate Council.)
Yes        X No
If yes, send copy of proposal to the Director of Teacher Education, Dr. Bryan Duke.
CTE Approval (Stamp or initial)

Psychology
Department submitting the proposal
Dr. Thomas Hancock
Person to contact with questions

Approved by:

Department Chair
Date

College Dean
Date

Effective term for this program change
(Assigned by Academic Affairs)
1. Does this program change affect other programs or departments?
   
   Yes [X] No  
   If yes, provide name(s) of department chair(s) contacted, date(s), and results of discussion(s).

2. Proposed curriculum change(s):
   (Please include entire major/minor as it exists and as it is proposed. Italicize and bold changes.)
   
   **FROM** 
   **TO**
   
   **(Existing Catalog Requirements)**
   **(Proposed Catalog Requirements)**
   
   **Required Courses** .........................................32 Hours 
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   **Core Psychology Coursework** ..............................18 Hours 
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   **General Psychology Required Coursework** ........12 Hours 
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   **Capstone Experience** ........................................... 2 Hours 
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   **TOTAL HOURS REQUIRED** ..................................... 32 HOURS
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3. Degree Designation: (Example, B.A. to B.F.A.)
   
   Existing Designation: **M.A.** 
   
   To: **M.S.**

4. Change(s) in Minimum GPA Requirements:
   
   FROM **(Existing Catalog Requirements)** 
   **NA**
   
   TO **(Proposed Catalog Requirements)**

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Students expecting to graduate with an undergraduate degree in Psychology from UCO may apply during the last semester of their junior year (or within 30 hours of graduation) for application to the Accelerated Degree Program in Psychology – General Psychology M.S if they have a 3.0 overall GPA. If accepted to the Accelerated Degree Program, students may take up to 9 graduate hours during their senior year that will count toward both the Psychology bachelor’s degree as upper-level elective credits as well as the Psychology – General Psychology M.S. degree. The following graduate courses are approved for dual credit: PSY 5623, 5193, 5143, and a 3 hour - 5000-level elective.
5. Change(s) in Admission Requirements for the Program/Major:
   FROM (Existing Catalog Requirements) TO (Proposed Catalog Requirements)
   • A GRE score of at least 290 on the combined verbal reasoning and quantitative sections and a minimum of 3.5 on the analytical writing section. (This statement was approved for the '20-21 catalogue.)
   • A preferred GRE score of at least 290 on the combined verbal reasoning and quantitative sections and a minimum of 3.5 on the analytical writing section.

6. Other requested action: A statement was added clarifying courses involved in the Accelerated Degree Plan.

7. Will requested change require additional funds? Yes X No
   If yes, please specify the amount of the additional costs, the source of the funds, and how they will be expended over the next three years, including new or re-allocated full or part time faculty/staff.

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8. Please provide a summary of the requested changes. (This is a listing of the changes requested) (This information will be submitted to the OSRHE)
   We would like to change the designation of the degree from MA to MS to reflect both the coursework involved in this science-centered degree as well as to remain competitive with other institutions offering similar degrees. We would like to replace the requirement of Psychopathology (which is a diagnosis-based course) with Theories of Personality (which is a research-based course). We also added a statement clarifying the choice of courses for students in the Accelerated Degree Plan. And the GRE requirement was changed to a preference to allow admission flexibility.

9. The reason(s) for this change are based on which of the following: (Check all that apply; explain and document in Question #10)
   Specialized Accreditation
   X SSCI (Self Study for Continuous Improvement)
   X Benchmark (e.g. comparison to peer institutions)
   Assessment Data
   X Faculty Knowledge/Discipline Expertise
   Advisory Board/Outside Professional Group
   Other

10. For all items checked in Question #9, please provide a concise, yet comprehensive, statement that explains the reasons for requesting the change including any necessary documentation. (The information provided here will be submitted to the OSRHE)
    Faculty expertise and comparisons to peer institutions suggested that we should make the proposed changes to the required courses and degree designation.
Accelerated Degree Program Curricular Form

Thank you for your desire to have an Accelerated Degree Program approved through the Graduate College curriculum review process, which involves a recommendation from the Graduate Council's Curriculum Committee.

Given that Accelerated Degree Programs permit an undergraduate student to enroll in graduate courses and to count the completed graduate courses toward their undergraduate degree, these curriculum proposals are approved through both undergraduate (Academic Affairs Curriculum Committee) and graduate (Graduate Council) curricular processes. The Academic Affairs Curriculum Committee reviews Accelerated Degree Program proposals and makes recommendations to the Graduate Council.

In order for the Graduate Council to review the proposal submitted, this form should be completed and submitted with the undergraduate curriculum proposal. If approved, the information provided below will be used by the Graduate College to develop the Accelerated Degree Program paragraph in the Graduate Catalog degree sheet; a sample Degree Sheet paragraph is provided below.

Undergraduate Degree Faculty Contact:
Dr. Nora D. Gayzur

Undergraduate Degree Department:
Psychology

Name of the Undergraduate Degree in the Accelerated Degree Program:
Psychology

Name of the Graduate Degree in the Accelerated Degree Program:
Psychology - General Psychology

Name of the Graduate Program Advisor for the ADP Graduate Degree:
Dr. Jaclyn Maass

Specific Graduate Courses to Be Counted Toward the Undergraduate and Graduate Degrees:
(Students may select 9 hours from the following courses.)

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Please Note: No more than 10 hours of graduate coursework in an Accelerated Degree Program may be double-counted for both a graduate and undergraduate degree. No undergraduate coursework may be counted toward a graduate degree. All students are required to apply to the Graduate College for ADP admission and are subject to Graduate College policies upon graduate admittance.
Sample Accelerated Degree Program Graduate Catalog Degree Sheet Paragraph

Accelerated Degree Program
Students who are accepted to the undergraduate degree in [insert name of undergraduate degree] may apply to take [see table of approved 5000-level courses up to a maximum of 10 hours] during their senior year of the bachelor's degree. These courses will count toward both the [insert bachelor's degree] and [insert master's degree]. The approved graduate courses are: [insert list of approved graduate courses]. These courses are specified on the degree sheet. During the last semester of their junior year or within 30 hours of graduation, an undergraduate student with a 3.0 overall GPA may apply for admission to the Accelerated Degree Program.