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Proposal #
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S20psy6 Proposal #
(College use only)

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 – Forensic 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 Major Minor Sequence of Courses

Proposed change:

Name Change

Curriculum Change

Degree Designation

GPA Requirement

Admission Requirement

Other: Added statement regarding the Accelerated Degree Plan

Is this program: Undergraduate 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 AACCC or Graduate Council.)

Yes 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

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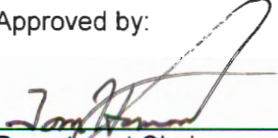
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Person to contact with questions

email address

Ext. number

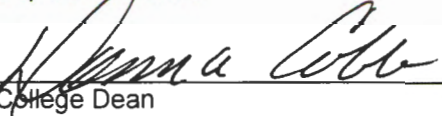
Approved by:



Department Chair Date 7/29/20



College Curriculum Committee Chair Date 8/21/20
(Please notify department chair when proposal is forwarded to dean.)



College Dean Date 8/21/20
(Please notify department chair when proposal is forwarded to AA.)

Academic Affairs Curriculum or Graduate Council Date

Office of Academic Affairs Date

Effective term for this program change
(Assigned by Academic Affairs)

1. Does this program change affect other programs or departments?

If yes, provide name(s) of department chair(s) contacted, date(s), and results of discussion(s). FRSC new course requests converting the 2 seminar/special topics courses where submitted for '20-21 catalogue.

Yes No

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) Submitted for '20-21 catalogue

(Proposed Catalog Requirements)

Core Psychology Coursework.....18

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Hours

Hours

Course Prefix	Course No.	Course Title
PSY	5143	Advanced Developmental Psychology
PSY	5193	Experimental Design
PSY	5233	Psychopathology (remove)
PSY	5563	Advanced Social Psychology
PSY	5633	Cognitive Psychology
PSY	5783	Behavioral Neuroscience

Course Prefix	Course No.	Course Title
PSY	5143	Advanced Developmental Psychology
PSY	5193	Experimental Design
PSY	5623	Theories of Personality
PSY	5563	Advanced Social Psychology
PSY	5633	Cognitive Psychology
PSY	5783	Behavioral Neuroscience

Forensic Psychology Required Coursework.....18

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Hours

Hours

Course Prefix	Course No.	Course Title
PSY	5623	Theories of Personality (moved)
PSY	5383	Multivariate Analysis w/SPSS
PSY	5653	Forensic Psychology
FRSC	5863	Expert Witness
FRSC	5910	Seminar/Special Topics (3 hrs.)
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Course Prefix	Course No.	Course Title
PSY	5XX3	Psychology and Law
PSY	5383	Multivariate Analysis w/SPSS
PSY	5653	Forensic Psychology
FRSC	5863	Expert Witness
FRSC	5223	Behavior in Crime Scenes (New crs request '20-21 catalogue)
FRSC	5233	Forensic Interview Techniques (New crs request '20-21 catalogue)

Capstone Experience1 Hour

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Course Prefix	Course No.	Course Title
PSY	5990	Thesis

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PSY	5990	Thesis

TOTAL HOURS REQUIRED 37 HOURS

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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 – Forensic 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 – Forensic Psychology M.S. degree. The following graduate courses are approved for dual credit: PSY 5623, 5383, 5653, 5193, and 5143.

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)

5. Change(s) in Admission Requirements for the Program/Major:

FROM (Existing Catalog Requirements)

TO (Proposed Catalog Requirements)

- Graduate Record Examination scores.
 - 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. Combined verbal reasoning and quantitative scores above the median are strongly preferred. (This info was approved for the '20-21 catalogue)

- Graduate Record Examination scores.
 - 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. Combined verbal reasoning and quantitative scores above the median are strongly preferred.

6. Other requested action:

A statement was added clarifying courses involved in the Accelerated Degree Plan.

7. Will requested change require additional funds? Yes 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.

Additional Funds	20__	20__	20__
Amount of additional costs			
Source of funds			
How funds will be expended			

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). This change allows the addition of a Psychology and Law course that enhances the knowledge-base of the students. That is Forensic Psychology covers the specific laws surrounding areas pertaining to psychological interests whereas Psychology and Law covers the application of psychological research to the legal system. Finally, the two courses previously approved for the forensic science program (formerly listed as seminars) now have permanent course numbers to include. The GRE requirement was adjusted to allow the program more flexibility in admission parameters. A statement clarifying courses involved in the Accelerated Degree plan is also included.

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
- SSCI (Self Study for Continuous Improvement)
- Benchmark (e.g. comparison to peer institutions)
- Assessment Data
- 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:

Forensic Psychology

Name of the Graduate Program Advisor for the ADP Graduate Degree:

Dr. Alicia Limke-McLean

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

<i>Graduate Course Prefix</i>	<i>Graduate Course No.</i>	<i>Graduate Course Credit Hour</i>	<i>Graduate Course Title</i>
PSY	5623	3	Theories of Personality
PSY	5653	3	Multivariate Analysis in Psychology
PSY	5653	3	Forensic Psychology
PSY	5193	3	Experimental Design
PSY	5143	3	Advanced Developmental Psychology

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.

Thomas W. Hancock Digitally signed by Thomas W. Hancock
Date: 2020.08.18 15:55:00 -05'00'

Signature of Undergraduate Degree Department Chair

Alicia Limke-McLean Digitally signed by Alicia Limke-McLean
Date: 2020.08.10 16:00:06 -05'00'

Signature of Graduate Degree Program Advisor

8/18/2020

Date

08/10/2020

Date

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.