

20 Proposal #
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REQUEST FOR PROGRAM DELETION(S)

University of Central Oklahoma

Master of Arts in Psychology – Counseling Psychology
Name of program, major, minor or other to be deleted. (Do not delete until new program in Counseling Psychology has been approved.)

Deletion of: Program Major Minor Other

Is this program: Undergraduate Graduate

Please review Policy No. 1.11 on Discontinued Majors which may be found at:
<http://www.uco.edu/academic-affairs/faculty-staff/policies-guidelines.asp>

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 No If yes, send copy of proposal to the Director of Teacher Education, Dr. Bryan Duke.

CTE Approval (Stamp or initial) _____

Does this program to be deleted affect other programs or departments?

Yes No If yes, provide name(s) of department chair(s) contacted, date(s), and results of discussion(s).

Psychology

Department submitting the proposal

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Approved by:

Tom Hancock
Department Chair

7/29/20

Date

Debra Jant-Kelley
College Curriculum Committee Chair

8/21/20

Date

(Please notify department chair when proposal is forwarded to dean.)

Shanna B...
College Dean

8/21/20

Date

(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)

25

1. Are students still enrolled in program, major, or minor to be deleted?
 Yes No If Yes, how many? 45

2. Expected graduation date for last students:
Spring 2023 – However, it should be noted that these students will have the opportunity to complete their intended degree within the newly proposed program: Counseling Psychology.

3. How will students currently in the deleted major, minor, or other be served?
A new program for Counseling psychology will be created and will be a standalone degree/program instead of an option as a graduate major under the psychology master's degree. Since the new program incorporates all of the current course requirements, ~~accept~~except for PSY 5633, students who do not wish to follow the new course plan will be able to complete the current version.

4. Number of courses which will be deleted as a result of this action? None
Please submit course deletion forms for courses to be deleted.

5. If no courses are being deleted, how will they be used?
Courses won't be deleted because they will continue to exist and be a requirement for other psychology masters programs.

6. Will deletion of program/major/minor make any funds available for reallocation?
 Yes No

If yes, which departments/programs will receive the reallocated funds?

If no, how will existing funds be used?
It will be used towards the newly created Counseling Psychology program.

7. Please provide a concise, yet comprehensive, statement that explains the reasons for requesting the deletion. Include documentation or assessment information supporting the specific request (if possible).
The current program of Master of Arts in Psychology – major in Counseling Psychology is a part of a program that has five majors. Because of RUSO's requirements that 50% of the core in any program must be shared across all majors within the program this has caused considerable challenges. For example, the current majors of School psychology and Counseling psychology have two different accrediting bodies (NASP and MPCAC, respectively) while the other three majors do not. Because of this certain program core courses are no longer required by one accrediting agency while still required for the other. If the programs remain as is our students would be required to needlessly pay for courses that do not satisfy licensure requirements. As another example, the current core configuration also has not allowed the three non-accredited majors to adapt to current trends in a timely manner. Finally, in order to meet the needs of our students, the program needs to grow, change, and adapt. Deleting the current option under the Psychology graduate programs and creating a new standalone Counseling Psychology Program will meet the needs of our students and help them be successful.