UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL
Request for Change(s)

Originating unit requesting change: Department of Psychology

Type of Change requested:

☐ Course number(s) ☐ Course prerequisite(s) ☐ Program title
☐ Course title ☐ Drop course(s) ☐ Program description
☐ Course description ☐ Drop program(s) ☐ Program requirements

Semester and year change(s) take effect: Fall 2010

Appropriate computer abbreviation if course title is more than 30 spaces:

Briefly summarize the change requested:
Revise BA requirements to match BS requirements in regard to the four newly proposed research courses.

Catalog copy

Present catalog copy (paste-up from catalog is acceptable):

BA with a Major in Psychology
This BA with a major in psychology is suited for students who have a general interest in psychology, but do not plan a career in psychology or a psychology-related field. It may prove suitable for a variety of career objectives not subsumed under the BS program. The program of study requires a minimum of 30 hours, including either PSYC 10213, 10514 or 10524, plus PSYC 30503 and 40993. At least one course must be taken from each of the five areas listed in under the BS degree requirements. A maximum of six hours of PSYC 40960 and/or 40970 may be applied to the 30 minimum required hours in psychology, but additional hours may be taken as psychology electives. A minor or second major is required for the BA in psychology. Associated Requirements: Same as for the BS degree.
A total of 124 hours is required for the BA degree.

Proposed change(s). (Include exact catalog copy as desired. Underline changes):

BA with a Major in Psychology
This BA with a major in psychology is suited for students who have a general interest in psychology, but do not plan a career in psychology or a psychology-related field. It may prove suitable for a variety of career objectives not subsumed under the BS program. The program of study requires a minimum of 30 hours, including either PSYC 10213, 10514 or 10524, plus PSYC 30503 and 40993. At least one course must be taken from each of the five areas listed under the BS degree requirements. A maximum of six hours of PSYC 40313, 40323, 40333, and/or 40343 may be applied to the 30 minimum required hours in psychology. A minor or second major is required for the BA in psychology.
A total of 124 hours is required for the BA degree.
1. What is the justification for the change(s) requested?
   Replace two "special topics" courses with four more specific courses (recently proposed as new courses).

2. If applicable, explain how the change(s) will affect the current program outcomes and assessment mechanisms.
   No change.

3. **Faculty Resources**: How will the unit provide faculty support for this change and any other impact this change may have on other current departmental listings.
   None

4. **Educational Resources**: Will this change require additional resources not currently available (e.g. space, equipment, library, other)?
   Yes
   If yes, list additional resources needed.

5. If this change affects other units of the University, include a statement signed by the chairperson(s) of the affected unit(s).
   None

6. If cross-listed, provide evidence of approval by all curriculum committees appropriate to both the originating and cross-listed units.
   None

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Approval signature of chairperson of originating unit
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Briefly summarize the change requested:
1. Replace PSYC 30423 with PSYC 40423 in Area C.
2. Add PSYC 50603 to Area B; PSYC 30133 and PSYC 40413 to Area C; and PSYC 20393 to Area E.
3. Replace PSYC 40960/40970 (Independent Study) with newly proposed research courses PSYC 40313, 40323, 40333 and/or 40343.

Catalog copy

Present catalog copy (paste-up from catalog is acceptable.)

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BS with a Major in Psychology
The BS with a major in psychology is recommended for students planning graduate work in psychology or a related field or who anticipate a career in a psychology-related field. The program of study requires a minimum of 42 hours, including either PSYC 10213, 10514 or 10524, plus PSYC 30503 and 40993. At least one course must be taken from each of the following five areas, plus at least one additional course from areas A, B, C or D. A minor or second major is required for the BS degree in psychology.
Area A: PSYC 30463, 30483, 50513
Area B: PSYC 30433*, 30473*, 30414*
Area C: PSYC 30453*, 30423*, 40433*
Area D: PSYC 30443, 40493*, 30353 or 30343*
Area E: PSYC 30363, 30373, 40463
*Courses that require MATH 10043 and PSYC 30503 as prerequisites.
A maximum of six hours of PSYC 40960 and/or 40970 may be applied to the 42 minimum required hours in psychology, but additional hours may be taken as psychology electives.
A total of 124 hours is required for the BS degree.

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1. What is the justification for the change(s) requested?
   1. Faculty member who taught PSYC 30423 is no longer at TCU.
   2. Adding courses to areas increases flexibility in course scheduling when faculty leave TCU or are on leaves of absence.
   3. Replace two "special topics" courses with four more specific courses (recently proposed as new courses).
   Note #3: A majority of psychology majors plan to apply to psychology graduate programs. All psychology Ph.D. programs require or strongly prefer research experience, and the more research experience hours on a student's transcript, the better that student's chances of acceptance.

2. If applicable, explain how the change(s) will affect the current program outcomes and assessment mechanisms.
   No change in program assessment, because the four new research courses take the place of the two previous "special topics" courses.

3. Faculty Resources: How will the unit provide faculty support for this change and any other impact this change may have on other current departmental listings.
4. **Educational Resources:** Will this change require additional resources not currently available (e.g. space, equipment, library, other)?
   - YES
   - NO
   If yes, list additional resources needed.

5. If this change affects other units of the University, include a statement signed by the chairperson(s) of the affected unit(s).
   - none

6. If cross-listed, provide evidence of approval by all curriculum committees appropriate to both the originating and cross-listed units.
   - none

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