REQUEST FOR CHANGE IN UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM

1. General Information

College: CCIS   Department: Journalism and Telecommunications

Current Program Name: Telecommunications   *Proposed Program Name:*

Current Major Name: Telecommunications   *Proposed Major Name:*

Current Degree Title: Bachelor of Arts/ Bachelor of Science in Telecommunications   *Proposed Degree Title:*

Formal Option: Specialty Field:

Bulletin (yr and pgs):   CIP Code: UK ID #:   HEGIS CODE:

Accrediting Agency (if applicable): Accrediting Council for Education in Journalism and Mass Communications   Today's Date: 11/16/08

2. Particular University Studies Requirements or Recommendations for this Program.

	Current	*Proposed*
I. Mathematics		
II. Foreign Language		
III. Inference-Logic		
IV. Written Communication	ENG 104 or Honors	
V. Oral Communication	Suspended through Fall 2009	*Suspended through Fall 2009*
VI. Natural Sciences		
VII. Social Sciences		
VIII. Humanities		
IX. Cross-Cultural		
X. USP Electives (3 must be outside the student's major)		

To the extent that proposed changes in sections 3 through 8 involve courses offered in another program, please submit correspondence with the program(s) pertaining to the availability of such courses to your students.

3. University Graduation Writing Requirement - select from approved courses.

4. College Depth & Breadth of Study Requirements (if applicable). Include particular courses required/recommended for this program.

Current
For the B.A.: 4th semester of a language, or 2 semesters of linguistics
STA 200, 291 or 370

For the B.S.: 9 credits in mathematics and/or computer sciences beyond the University Studies requirement. At least 3 credits must be in statistics.

Proposed

Complete a minimum of 60 hours of science courses, with not more than 12 hours within the College of Communications and Information Studies. These hours must be approved by an advisor in CCIS.

5. Premajor or Preprofessional Course Requirements (if applicable).

Current
TEL 101
TEL 201
CS 101
STA 200 or 291
Combined GPA of 3.0 from four courses above

Proposed
TEL 101
TEL 201
STA 200 or 291
Combined GPA of 2.6 from three courses above

6. Credit Hours.

a. Credit Hours Required: Current: 54   *Proposed: 51*

b. Total Required for Graduation: Current: 120   *Proposed:*

c. Required by Level:

	100:	200:	300:	400-500:
Currently:	6	6	42	
Proposed:	*3*	*6*	*42*	

d. Current Premajor or Preprofessional: 12

d. Proposed Premajor or Preprofessional: 9

e. Current Field of Concentration: 15

e. Proposed Field of Concentration: 12

f. Current Division of Hrs between Major Subject & Related Field:

f. Proposed Division of Hrs between Major Subject & Related Field:

g. Current Hrs Needed for a Specific Option or Specialization:

g. Proposed Hrs Needed for a Specific Option/Specialization:

h. Current Technical or Professional Support Electives:

h. Proposed Technical or Professional Support Electives:

i. Current Minimum Hours of Free or Supportive Electives: 18

i. Proposed Minimum Hours of Free or Supportive Electives: 21

7. Major or Professional Course Requirements.

Current
TEL 300
TEL 310
JAT 399
65 Hours of Liberal Arts courses (required by accrediting body)
Minimum 9 hours from among TEL 319 World Media Systems, TEL 355 Communication and Information Systems in Organizations, TEL 390 Special Topics in Telecommunications Production (subtitle required), JAT 395 Independent Study, TEL 420 Electronic Media Criticism, TEL 453 Mass Communication and Social Issues, TEL 482 Electronic Media Sales Management, TEL 504 Media Organizations, TEL 510 Media Economics, TEL 520 Social Effects of the Mass Media, TEL 525 Theory of Multimedia, TEL 530 Proseminar in Telecommunications,

Proposed
TEL 300
TEL 310
JAT 399
65 Hours of Liberal Arts Courses (required by accrediting body)
Minimum 6 hours from among TEL 319 World Media Systems, JAT 395 Independent Study, TEL 420 Electronic Media Criticism, TEL 453 Mass Communication and Social Issues, TEL 520 Social Effects of the Mass Media, TEL 525 Theory of Multimedia, TEL 530 Proseminar in Telecommunications, TEL 555 The Internet and Social Change, TEL 590 Special Topics in Social-Cultural Media Studies (subtitle required)

TEL 555 Cyberspace and Communication, TEL 590 Special Topics in Media Studies (subtitle required)	Minimum 3 hours from among TEL 355 Communication and Information Systems in Organizations, TEL 404 Media Organizations, TEL 482 Electronic Media Sales Management, TEL 490 Special Topics in Media Industry Studies (subtitle required), TEL 535 Telecommunications Network Management

8. Minor Requirements (if applicable).

Current   *Proposed*

9. Rationale for Change(s) – if rationale involves accreditation requirements, please include specific references to those.

The changes in the requirements for a major in Telecommunications amount to 1) dropping the requirement for CS101 in the premajor and adjusting the required GPA for entrance into the major, 2) expanding the required hours of Telecommunications courses at the 300+ level from 27 to 30 while concurrently reducing the required hours for the area of concentration from 15 to 12, and 3) requiring that 6 hours of electives be taken from courses with a focus on social and/or cultural studies of media and 3 hours from coursework that emphasizes management of telecommunications organizations. The first change reflects the recognition that for the great majority of Telecommunications students CS101 is remedial. Most of our students come to us with significant computer skills, and those that do not can be advised to take CS101. Requiring all of our students to take the course is not a good use of their time and money at UK. Because our students usually get A's or B's in CS101, we needed to revise the required GPA necessary to be accepted into the Telecommunications (3.0 based on grades from TEL 101, TEL 201, STA 200 or STA 291 and CIS 101) downward to 2.6 based on TEL 101, TEL 201 and STA 200 or 291. The educational goal of the Telecommunications program is to provide students with a balance among production skills, management understanding and knowledge of the social effects of telecommunications in society. A review of class selection among Telecommunications students identified cases of inadequate study in the social effects of telecommunications as well as occasional lack of industry expertise. As an increasing number of courses focusing on telecommunications industries have been made available, several students have taken management-oriented courses exclusively to meet the requirement for 9 hourse of conceptual work. The new program will require a minimum level of coursework focusing on the social impact of telecommunications (6 credits) as well as exposure to the study of telecommunications organizations from a management perspective (3 credits). A significant amount of flexibility remains for students to emphasize management of telecommunications media, to expand their production skills, or to study electronic media from social and/or cultural perspectives. Changes in the rules of our accrediting body (the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications) instituted a few years ago, allow us to expand the total number of credit hours our students can take within the School of Journalism and Telecommunications from 30 to 40, accommodating this change.

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10. List below the typical semester by semester program for a major.

Current	Hours	Proposed	Hours
YEAR 1 - Fall		*YEAR 1 - Fall*	
BIO 102 (i.e. "BIO 103")	3 (i.e. "3")	*BIO 102*	*3*
MA 123	4	*MA 123*	*4*
PS 101	3	*PS 101*	*3*
SPA 101	4	*SPA 101*	*4*
UK 101	1	*UK 101*	*1*
Current Total, Year 1 Fall	**15**	*Proposed Total, Year 1 Fall:*	*15*
YEAR 1 – Spring		*YEAR 1 – Spring*	
TEL 101	3	*TEL 101*	*3*
MUS 100	3	*MUS 100*	*3*
BIO 103	3	*BIO 103*	*3*
SPA 102	4	*SPA 102*	*4*
ENG 104	4	*ENG 104*	*4*
Current Total, Year 1 Spring:	**17**	*Proposed Total, Year 1 Spring:*	*17*
YEAR 2 - Fall		*YEAR 2 – Fall*	
TEL 201	3	*TEL 201*	*3*
CS 101	3	*COM 101*	*3*
GEO 130	3	*GEO 130*	*3*
SPA 201	3	*SPA 201*	*3*
A-S 102	3	*A-S 102*	*3*
Current Total, Year 2 Fall:	**15**	*Proposed Total, Year 2 Fall:*	*15*
YEAR 2 - Spring		*YEAR 2 – Spring*	
GWS 201	3	*GWS 201*	*3*
ANT 221	3	*ANT 221*	*3*
A-S 103	4	*A-S 103*	*4*
SPA 202	3	*SPA 202*	*3*
STA 200	3	*STA 200*	*3*
Current Total, Year 2 Spring:	**16**	*Proposed Total, Year 2 Spring:*	*16*

10. Semester Plans, continued.

Current	Hours	Proposed	Hours
YEAR 3 - Fall		YEAR 3 - Fall	
TEL 300	3	TEL 300	3
TEL 312	3	TEL 312	3
ENG 281	3	ENG 281	3
FAM 253	3	TEL 390	3
A-S 200	3	A-S 200	3
Current Total, Year 3 Fall: 15		Proposed Total, Year 3 Fall: 15	
YEAR 3 - Spring		YEAR 3 - Spring	
TEL 310	3	TEL 310	3
TEL 412	3	TEL 412	3
TEL 453	3	TEL 453	3
ENG 381	3	ENG 381	3
SOC 101	3	Elective	3
Current Total, Year 3 Spring: 15		Proposed Total, Year 3 Spring: 15	
YEAR 4 – Fall		YEAR 4 - Fall	
TEL 504	3	TEL 404	3
A-S 345	3	TEL 322	3
ENG 382	3	ENG 382	3
MUS 206	3	MUS 206	3
GWS 300	3	GWS 300	3
Current Total, Year 4 Fall: 15		Proposed Total, Year 4 Fall: 15	
YEAR 4 - Spring		YEAR 4 - Spring	
JAT 399	3	JAT 399	3
TEL 420	3	TEL 420	3
ENG 480G	3	ENG 480G	3
HIS 506	3	HIS506	3
Current Total, Year 4 Spring: 12		Proposed Total, Year 4 Spring: 12	

Current Total Hours: 120   Proposed Total Hours: 120

12.	Requested effective date for changes (term/year):	Fall	/	2009	

13. Within the department, who should be contacted for further information about the proposed program change?

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14. Signatures of Approval.

12/1/08
DATE of Approval by
Department Faculty

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DATE of Approval by
College Faculty

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*DATE of Approval by
Undergraduate Council

S. GILL / *[signature]*
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*DATE of Approval by
Graduate Council

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*DATE of Approval by
Health Care Colleges
Council (HCCC)

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*DATE of Approval by
Senate Council

Reported by Office of the Senate Council

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University Senate

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*If applicable, as provided by the *University Senate Rules.*

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From: Joe Sottile [jsottile@engr.uky.edu]
Sent: Friday, April 24, 2009 2:18 PM
To: Brothers, Sheila C
Subject: Admissions and Academic Standards Cmte

Sheila,

The A&AS committee has approved the following proposals:

Foreign Language Assessment Policy Change

BA/BS Telecommunications: Change to Premajor GPA Requirement

Change to Bachelor of Science in Nursing Admission Requirements With respect to the Change to Bachelor of Science in Nursing Admission Requirements, there was some concern expressed over the elimination of the reference letter from a supervisor and the interview with members of the Admission and Progression Committee. Several members of the committee believed that both are important for evaluating people working in the health care industry.

Please contact me if you need additional information.

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