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UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY
REQUEST FOR CHANGE IN UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM

Program: Communication
Formal Option : or Specialty Field
Department (if applicable): Communication
College (if applicable): College of Communications and Information Sciences
Degree title: BA/BS
CIP Code: 090101
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CI-BS---COMM

Accrediting Agency (if applicable):

I. PROPOSED CHANGE(S) IN PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

1. Particular University Studies Requirements or Recommendations for this program

Table with 2 columns: Current, Proposed. Rows include English writing, Communication, Mathematics, Area I (Natural Science), Area II (Social Science), Area III (Humanities), Area IV (Cross-disciplinary component), Area V (Non-western cultural component).

2. College Depth and Breadth of Study Requirements (if applicable) (including particular courses required or recommended for this program) NOTE: To the extent that proposed changes in 2. through 6. involve additional courses offered in another program, please submit correspondence with the program(s) pertaining to the availability of such courses to your students.

Current Proposed

3. Premajor or Preprofessional Course Requirements (if applicable)

Table with 2 columns: Current, Proposed. Rows include COM 101- Intro. to Communications, COM 181 or COM 287- Speaking skills course, COM 252- Interpersonal Communication, ENG 203 or ENG 205 or JOU 204, Any STA 200-level course.

Total Hours: 15

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4. Credit Hours Required	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
	15 FOR PRE-MAJOR	15 FOR PRE-MAJOR
a. Total Required for Graduation:	120	
b. Required by level:	100 6 200	9 300 6-12 400-500 15-21
c. Premajor or Preprofessiona (if applicable)	15	f. Hours Needed for a Particular Option or Specialization (if applicable)
d. Field of Concentration (if applicable)		g. Technical or Professional Support Electives (if applicable)
e. Division of Hours Between Major Subject and Related Field (if applicable)		h. Minimum Hours of Free or Supportive Electives (Required)

5. Major or Professional Course Requirements

<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
COM 351-Intro. to Communication Theory COM 365-Intro. to Comm. Research Methods 15 hours of 300+ level COM courses 15 hours of Cognate Area courses	same

6. Minor Requirements (if applicable)

<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
N/A	N/A

Total Hours: 36

7. Rationale for Change(s): (If rationale involves accreditation requirements, please include specific references to those requirements.)

Communication majors need a solid base of understanding of both interpersonal and mass communication contexts in order to appreciate the breadth of the communication discipline. Currently, the pre-major provides only an interpersonal framework. This proposal would add a foundation of mass communication context to the pre-major curriculum.

1. This change to the 200 level courses would clarify direction for our students. COM 249 and COM 281 had been labeled as "primary electives" in the major, and the faculty voted to remove the label which would move the courses to become pre-major requirements.
2. Students would acquire interpersonal skills and content knowledge through COM 252 or COM 281. COM 252 is a pre-requisite for COM 452 and COM 462 in the major and COM 281 is a pre-requisite for COM 581.
3. Students would acquire mass communication context knowledge in COM 249 which is a pre-requisite for COM 449 and COM 453 in the major.
4. The total number of credits hours required in the pre-major will be unchanged.

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

Current
Pre-major requirements
COM 351 and COM 365 concurrently
15 hours of 300+ level COM courses
15 hours of Cognate Area courses

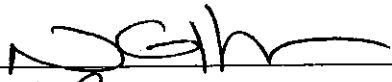
Proposed

This is reflective of a curriculum across 4 years.


Will this program be printed in the Bulletin?

Yes: No:

Signatures of Approval:



Department Chair



Dean of the College

6-23-06

Date

9-26-06

Date

9-11-06

Date of Notice to the Faculty



*Undergraduate Council

11-7-2006

Date

*University Studies

Date

*Graduate Council

Date

*Academic Council for the Medical Center

Date

*Senate Council

Date of Notice to Univ. Senate

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

ACTION OTHER THAN APPROVAL:

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To Whom It May Concern:

Attached, please find a "Request for Change in Undergraduate Program" from the Department of Communication. We are requesting a change in the pre-major requirements.

Currently, we require COM 252 (interpersonal communication). We propose to add COM 249 (mass communication) as a pre-major requirement to provide students with a background in mass communication. Also, we propose to give students a choice between COM 252 and COM 281 (small group communication), given that both of those classes focus on face-to-face versus mediated communication.

Also, given upcoming changes involving the second-tier writing requirement, we propose to delete the pre-major writing requirement. Thus, the total hours required for pre-major requirements does not change.

Thank you for your consideration of our request. If you have any questions, please contact Traci Letcher at T.Letcher@uky.edu.

Sincerely,

Nancy Grant Harrington, Ph.D.
Department Chairperson

attachment

UNIVERSITY SENATE REVIEW AND CONSULTATION SUMMARY SHEET

Proposal Title:

Pre-major changes in Communication

Name/email/phone for proposal contact:

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Instruction: To facilitate the processing of this proposal please identify the groups or individuals reviewing the proposal, identify a contact person for each entry, provide the consequences of the review (specifically, approval, rejection, no decision and vote outcome, if any) and please attach a copy of any report or memorandum developed with comments on this proposal.

Reviewed by: (Chairs, Directors, Faculty Groups, Faculty Councils, Committees, etc)	Contact person Name (phone/email)	Consequences of Review:	Date of Proposal Review	Review Summary Attached? (yes or no)
Dept. of Communication Faculty	Traci Letcher, Curriculum Chair/ t.letcher@uky.edu 257-7800	approved	May 3, 2006	no
Dr. Nancy Harrington, Dept. of Communication Chair	Dr. Nancy Harrington ngrant@uky.edu 257-3622	approved	May 26, 2006	no
Cathy Hunt, Dean's Office (CCIS)	Cathy Hunt cshunt00@uky.edu 257-4839	approved	June 1, 2006	no
<i>Faculty Council Renewal</i>	<i>Debra Johnson rdj72508</i>	<i>approved</i>	<i>9/25/06</i>	<i>no</i>