

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY
APPLICATION FOR CHANGE IN EXISTING COURSE: MAJOR & MINOR

1. Submitted by College of Public Health Date _____
Department/Division offering course Gerontology
2. Changes proposed:
(a) Present prefix & number GRN 785 Proposed prefix & number GRN 785
(b) Present Title Independent Research in Gerontology
New Title **Independent Research in Gerontology**
(c) If course title is changed and exceeds 24 characters (Including spaces), include a sensible title (not to exceed 24 characters) for use on transcripts:

(d) Present credits: 3 Proposed credits: Variable 1-6
(e) Current lecture: laboratory ratio 3:0 Proposed: NA
(f) Effective Date of Change: (Semester & Year) Fall 2007
3. To be Cross-listed as: _____
Prefix and Number Signature: Department Chair
4. Proposed change in Bulletin description:
(a) Present description (including prerequisite(s)):
Independent research involving completion of a major research project resulting in a manuscript of publishable quality. Under the supervision of a Gerontology Program faculty member, this will involve review of appropriate literature, problem formulation, research design, data collection, data analysis and report writing on a topic in gerontology. Prereq: GRN 600 and GRN 620.
(b) New description:
Open to doctoral students who have the necessary training and ability to conduct research at an advanced level. Students will work under the supervision of a gerontology faculty member to coordinate research efforts, establish timelines for completion, and determine grading criteria. May be repeated to a maximum of 9 credits. Approval of the Director of Graduate Studies required.

(c) Prerequisite(s) for course as changed: None
5. What has prompted this proposal?
The need for a formal independent research course. The course number already exists, and a course change is preferred over submitting both a "drop course" and "add course" forms to avoid confusion.

6. If there are to be significant changes in the content or teaching objectives of this course, indicate changes:
Student outcomes in terms of products have been relaxed to embrace diverse research possibilities.

7. What other departments could be affected by the proposed change? None

8. Is this course applicable to the requirements for at least one degree or certificate at the University of Kentucky? Yes No
9. Will changing this course change the degree requirements in one or more programs? Yes No
If yes, please attach an explanation of the change.*
10. Is this course currently included in the University Studies Program? Yes No

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12. If the course is 400G or 500 level, include syllabi or course statement showing differentiation for undergraduate and graduate students in assignments, grading criteria, and grading scales. Check here if 400G-500.
12. Is this a minor change? Yes No
 (NOTE: See the description on this form of what constitutes a minor change. Minor changes are sent directly from the Dean of the College to the Chair of the Senate Council. If the latter deems the change not to be minor, it will be sent to the appropriate Council for normal processing.)
13. Within the Department, who should be consulted for further information on the proposed course change?

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Signatures of Approval:

2-20-08
 DATE of Approval by Department Faculty

GRAHAM D. ROWLES / Graham D Rowles
 printed name Reported by Department Chair signature

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 DATE of Approval by College Faculty

Linda A. Alexander / Linda A Alexander
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 Assoc Dean for Academic Affairs

*DATE of Approval by Undergraduate Council

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*DATE of Approval by Graduate Council

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2/21/08
 *DATE of Approval by Health Care Colleges Council (HCCC)

Heidi Anderson / Heidi Anderson
 printed name Reported by Health Care Colleges Council Chair signature

*DATE of Approval by Senate Council

 Reported by Office of the Senate Council

*DATE of Approval by the University Senate

 Reported by the Office of the Senate Council

*If applicable, as provided by the *University Senate Rules*. (<http://www.uky.edu/USC/New/RulesandRegulationsMain.htm>)

Excerpt from *University Senate Rules*:

SR 3.3.0.G.2: Definition. A request may be considered a minor change if it meets one of the following criteria:

- a. change in number within the same hundred series;
- b. editorial change in the course title or description which does not imply change in content or emphasis;
- c. a change in prerequisite(s) which does not imply change in content or emphasis, or which is made necessary by the elimination or significant alteration of the prerequisite(s);
- d. a cross-listing of a course under conditions set forth in *SR 3.3.0.E*;
- e. correction of typographical errors.