College of Health and Human Services

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Report to the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

The following **Consent** item is submitted for consideration at the Dec. 9 meeting of the UCC:

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| **Type of Item** | **Description in Item and Contact Information** |
| Consent | Proposal to Revise Course Prerequisites  FACS 381 Methods and Materials in Family and Consumer Sciences Education  Contact: Kathy Croxall, [kathy.croxall@wku.edu](mailto:kathy.croxall@wku.edu), 745-3997 |

Proposal Date: 09/15/2014

**College of Health and Human Services**

**Family and Consumer Sciences Department**

**Proposal to Revise Course Prerequisites**

**(Consent Item)**

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**1. Identification of course:**

* 1. Course prefix and number: FACS 381
  2. Course title: Methods and Materials in Family and Consumer Sciences Education

**2. Current prerequisites:** FACS 380 and MGE 275 and Junior standing for FACS Education majors or consent of instructor.

**3. Proposed prerequisites:** FACS 380 and MGE 275 and proof of passing Praxis Core for FACS Education majors or consent of instructor.

**4. Rationale for the revision of prerequisites/co-requisites/special requirements:** FACS students are currently not required to be admitted to teacher education until they register for LTCY 421, which most take the last semester prior to student teaching. This late date results in students not knowing if they will be able to get into the last class they need. If they can’t get into the course, they find they have to wait a full semester to graduate, increasing both emotional and financial stress.

**5. Effect on completion of major/minor sequence:** It will require students to complete their teacher education applications, including passing the Praxis exam (Praxis Core) earlier than many currently do. It could slow some students down in their program, but at least they will still have other courses they can take while meeting the requirements; therefore not having to sit out a semester prior to student teaching. Students will need to be advised to complete all requirements early, including taking the Praxis Core exam by the end of their sophomore year.

**6. Proposed term for implementation:** Summer 2015

**7. Dates of prior committee approvals:**

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| Family and Consumer Sciences Department | 09/24/2014 |
| CHHS Undergraduate Curriculum Committee | 10/17/2014 |
| Professional Education Council | 11/12/2014 |
| Undergraduate Curriculum Committee |  |
| University Senate |  |