**Graduate Council Program and Curriculum Committee (GCC)**

**Report to the Graduate Council** Date: March 27, 2017

From: Kirk Atkinson, Chair April 6, 2017 Grad. Council

**Consent Agenda Report**. The GCC submits the following consent and information items from its March 27, 2017 meeting for approval by the Graduate Council. Minutes of March 27 meeting posted on [GCCC web site](http://www.wku.edu/gcc/current.php).

Gordon Ford College of Business

Single Submission, no header information provided

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| Action | Proposal to Create a New Certificate  Economic Data Analytics  Contact: Alex Lebedinsky  Email: [alex.lebedinsky@wku.edu](mailto:alex.lebedinsky@wku.edu)  Phone: 270-745-3150 |

College of Education and Behavioral Sciences

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Report to the Graduate Council Curriculum Committee  
March 15, 2017

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| **Type of Item** | **Description of Item & Contact Information** |
| Consent | Proposal to Delete a Program  Item: 118, Elementary Education Specialist, Ed.S.  Contact: Lisa Murley  Email: [lisa.murley@wku.edu](mailto:lisa.murley@wku.edu)  Phone: (270) 745-8822 |
| Consent | Proposal to Delete a Program  Item: 119, Secondary Education, EDS  Contact: Rebecca Stobaugh  Email: [Rebecca.stobaugh@wku.edu](mailto:Rebecca.stobaugh@wku.edu)  Phone: (270) 745-5690 |
| Consent | Proposal to Suspend a Course  Item: CNS 570, Workshop in Counseling  Contact: Jill Sauerheber  Email: [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jill.sauerheber@wku.edu)  Phone: (270) 745-4799 |
| Consent | Proposal to Suspend a Course  Item: CNS 580, Family Life Studies  Contact: Jill Sauerheber  Email: [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jill.sauerheber@wku.edu)  Phone: (270) 745-4799 |
| Consent | Proposal to Suspend a Course  Item: CNS 652, Independent Research Counseling  Contact: Jill Sauerheber  Email: [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jill.sauerheber@wku.edu)  Phone: (270) 745-4799 |
| Consent | Proposal to Suspend a Program  Item: 159, Individual Intellectual Assessment, Endorsement  Contact: Jill Sauerheber  Email: [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jill.sauerheber@wku.edu)  Phone: (270) 745-4799 |
| Action | Proposal to Create a New Course  Item: CNS 548, Principles and Practices of School Counseling  Contact: Jill Sauerheber  Email: [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jill.sauerheber@wku.edu)  Phone: (270) 745-4799 |
| Action | Proposal to Create a New Course  Item: CNS 549, School Counseling and Consultation  Contact: Jill Sauerheber  Email: [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jill.sauerheber@wku.edu)  Phone: (270) 745-4799 |
| Action | Proposal to Create a New Course  Item: CNS 677, Eating Disorders in Counseling  Contact: Jill Sauerheber  Email: [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jill.sauerheber@wku.edu)  Phone: (270) 745-4799 |
| Action | Proposal to Revise a Course  Item: CNS 559, Techniques in Counseling  Contact: Jill Sauerheber  Email: [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jill.sauerheber@wku.edu)  Phone: (270) 745-4799 |
| Action | Proposal to Revise a Course  Item: CNS 567, Mental Health Diagnosis and Treatment in Counseling  Contact: Jill Sauerheber  Email: [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jill.sauerheber@wku.edu)  Phone: (270) 745-4799 |
| Action | Proposal to Revise a Course  Item: CNS 583, Couples Counseling  Contact: Jill Sauerheber  Email: [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jill.sauerheber@wku.edu)  Phone: (270) 745-4799 |
| Action | Proposal to Revise a Program  Item: 046, School Counseling, Master of Arts in Education  Contact: Jill Sauerheber  Email: [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jill.sauerheber@wku.edu)  Phone: (270) 745-4799 |
| Action | Proposal for a New Certificate Program  Item: Addictions Education  Contact: Jill Sauerheber  Email: [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jill.sauerheber@wku.edu)  Phone: (270) 745-4799 |

**REPORT TO THE GRADUATE COUNCIL CURRICULUM COMMITTEE**

DATE: March 8, 2017

FROM: Ogden College of Science and Engineering

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| Consent | Proposal to Delete a Course  GEOG 424G, Weather Analysis and Forecasting  Contact person: David Keeling, david.keeling@wku.edu, 5-4555 |
| Consent | Proposal to Delete a Course  GEOG 434G, Historic Preservation  Contact person: David Keeling, david.keeling@wku.edu, 5-4555 |
| Consent | Proposal to Delete a Course  GEOG 462G, Geography of South America  Contact person: David Keeling, david.keeling@wku.edu, 5-4555 |
| Consent | Proposal to Delete a Course  GEOG 467G, Geography of the Middle East  Contact person: David Keeling, david.keeling@wku.edu, 5-4555 |
| Consent | Proposal to Delete a Course  GEOG 474G, Environmental Planning  Contact person: David Keeling, david.keeling@wku.edu, 5-4555 |
| Consent | Proposal to Delete a Course  GEOG 501, Geoscience and Development  Contact person: David Keeling, david.keeling@wku.edu, 5-4555 |
| Consent | Proposal to Delete a Course  GEOG 502, Geoscience Field Research Methods  Contact person: David Keeling, david.keeling@wku.edu, 5-4555 |
| Consent | Proposal to Delete a Course  GEOG 539, Seminar in Atmospheric Modeling  Contact person: David Keeling, david.keeling@wku.edu, 5-4555 |
| Consent | Proposal to Delete a Course  GEOL 420G, Geomorphology  Contact person: David Keeling, david.keeling@wku.edu, 5-4555 |
| Consent | Proposal to Delete a Course  GEOL 460G, Sedimentation and Stratigraphy  Contact person: David Keeling, david.keeling@wku.edu, 5-4555 |
| Consent | Proposal to Delete a Course  GEOL 475G, Independent Topics/Geology  Contact person: David Keeling, david.keeling@wku.edu, 5-4555 |
| Consent | Proposal to Delete a Course  INED 568, Ceramics and Plastics  Contact person: Mark Doggett, mark.doggett@wku.edu, 5-6951 |
| Action | Proposal to Revise a Course  AGRO 452G, Soil Microbiology  Contact person: Becky Gilfillen, becky.gilfillen@wku.edu, 5-5970 |
| Action | Proposal to Revise a Course  AGRO 454G, Soil Management and Conservation  Contact person: Becky Gilfillen, becky.gilfillen@wku.edu, 5-5970 |
| Action | Proposal to Revise a Program  Ref: 072, Geoscience  Contact person: David Keeling, david.keeling@wku.edu, 5-4555 |
| Action | Proposal to Revise a Course  GEOS 523, Urban GIS Applications  Contact person: Jun Yan, jun.yan@wku.edu, 5-4555 |
| Action | Proposal to Revise a Course  GEOS 534, Historic Preservation Planning  Contact person: David Keeling, david.keeling@wku.edu, 5-4555 |
| Action | Proposal to Revise a Course  GEOS 580, Seminar Urban Geography  Contact person: David Keeling, david.keeling@wku.edu, 5-4555 |
| Action | Proposal to Create a New Course  CS 535, Cloud Computing  Contact person: Jeff Galloway, jeffrey.galloway@wku.edu, 5-2859 |

**Certificate Program - Create New**

Graduate Certificate in Economic Data Analytics

Gordon Ford College of Business

**(Action)**

Date: February 8, 2017

College: Gordon Ford College of Business

Department: Economics

Contact Person: Alex Lebedinsky, Graduate Program Coordinator

Name, email, phone [alex.lebedinsky@wku.edu](mailto:alex.lebedinsky@wku.edu), 270-745-3150

**1. Identification of program:**

* 1. Program title: Graduate Certificate in Economic Data Analytics
  2. Required hours: 12 credit hours
  3. Program Description: Graduate certificate in quantitative economics courses
  4. Classification of Instructional Program Code (CIP):  [45.0603](https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipcode/cipdetail.aspx?y=55&cipid=88580)

**2. Learning outcomes of the proposed certificate program:**

1. **Discipline Knowledge:** Certificate graduates will demonstrate advanced knowledge in quantitative economics disciplines including applied economic statistics, econometrics and time series forecasting, as well as data management skills.
2. **Critical and Strategic Thinking:** Certificate graduates will learn how to apply quantitative skills to analyze data, provide actionable insights based on their analyses and communicate their results effectively to non-technical audiences.
3. **Economic Modeling:** Certificate graduates will demonstrate competency in three core skills - data manipulation, applied statistics and economic theory – to identify appropriate statistical models to study economic phenomena, to create forecasts of economic data and evaluate the quality of the models and forecasts.

**3. Rationale:**

* 1. **Reasons for developing the proposed certificate program:**

There is a high demand in the job market for people with quantitative skills. The certificate would give the opportunity to both returning students and recent graduates to obtain the skills that would allow them to become more competitive in the job market. For recent graduates of GFCB, the certificate would serve as a complement to their degree by combining the knowledge in their main field of specialization with solid quantitative skills.   
Another reason for developing the certificate is to increase the probability of employment for students seeking analyst-type jobs in the U.S. government. Many of such jobs require a minimum of 15 hours of quantitative courses to be eligible to apply. The certificate will help potential applicants accumulate the hours they need while offering highly employable skills.   
The certificate would also allow students to learn the same quantitative skills that can be gained through the MA in Applied Economics without going through the entire program. This would serve the working professionals seeking such skills but who do not have the opportunity to complete the entire Master’s degree.

* 1. **Relationship of the proposed certificate program to other programs now offered by the department:**

All of the courses in the certificate are courses currently offered in the MA in Applied Economics. Four of the courses are the core courses in the Master’s program and the other three are electives.

* 1. **Relationship of the proposed certificate program to certificate programs offered in other departments:**

No similar graduate certificates are currently being offered at WKU.

* 1. **Projected enrollment in the proposed certificate program:** 20 per year
  2. **Similar certificate programs offered elsewhere in Kentucky and in other states *(Including programs at benchmark institutions – marked with \*):***
* Applied Business Analytics, Appalachian State University\*
* Applied Data Analysis, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
* Applied Econometrics and Data Science Foundations, Valparaiso University
* Applied Economics, Southern Methodist University
* Applied Economics, Georgia Southern University
* Economic Data Analytics, University of Akron
* Graduate Certificate in Applied Microeconomics, American University
* Graduate Certificate in Economics Analysis, University of Maryland
* Quantitative Methods in Applied Economics, Johns Hopkins University
* Statistical Methods, North Carolina Central University
* -None in Kentucky at a public institution
  1. **Relationship of the proposed certificate program to the university mission and objectives:**

**WKU Mission Statement: *Western Kentucky University (WKU) prepares students of all backgrounds to be productive, engaged, and socially responsible citizen-leaders of a global society. The University provides research, service and lifelong learning opportunities for its students, faculty, and other constituents. WKU enriches the quality of life for those within its reach.***

This graduate certificate will help prepare professionals for jobs in both public and private sector. The certificate offers an opportunity for continuing education, thus serving the mission of lifelong learning.

**Challenging the Spirit Action Plan 2012-13 to 2017-18**

**WKU Strategic Goal 1: Foster Academic Excellence**

***Extend the engaged learning and global dimensions of the WKU academic experience***

***Reinforce WKU as a destination of choice for faculty, staff and students.***

Offering a unique program that teaches skills that are in high demand will directly serve the objective of reinforcing WKU as destination of choice.

**OBJECTIVE 2.3**

***Make a college education more economically affordable for students from diverse groups*.**

The certificate offers some of the core benefits of a Master’s program with less than half of the credit hours required for a Master’s degree.

**OBJECTIVE 3.1**

***Expand WKU’s economic impact on the region through student, faculty, and staff engagement. (Includes) “Increase by 20% percentage of credits completed through distance learning” and “Expand and enhance online programs and student services.”***

This certificate would expand the graduate education opportunities and contribute toward providing crucial quantitative skills to the Kentucky workforce. At the initial stage, the certificate will utilize the face-to-face courses currently offered through the MA in Applied Economics program. Ultimately, the certificate will be made available on-line.

**4. Admission Criteria:**

The admission requirements are the same as those for The Graduate School. Admission to the certificate does not require or include admission to the MA in Applied Economics program. Additionally, applicants are required to have completed an introductory statistics course (e.g. ECON 206) prior to enrolling in the certificate program.

**5. Curriculum:**

The certificate requires successful completion of 4 courses, three of which are required and one of which is chosen from the list of specified options. The certificate requires 12 credit hours:

THREE REQUIRED COURSES:

ECON 465G – Regression and Econometrics\* 3.0 Hours

ECON 506 – Applied Statistical Methods 3.0 Hours

ECON 594 – Forecasting 3.0 Hours

ONE COURSE REQUIRED FROM THE FOLLOWING LIST:

ECON 507 – Data Methods in Economics 3.0 Hours

ECON 598 – Independent Study 3.0 Hours

ECON 464G – Mathematical Economics 3.0 Hours  
ECON 596 – Applied Economics Project 3.0 Hours   
  
If a student already took ECON 465 as an undergraduate at WKU or an equivalent course from another institution, they must enroll in additional elective course above or one of the courses currently approved for MA in Applied Economics:

**6. Budget implications:**

At the initial stage, the intention is to offer the certificate through the existing MA in Applied Economics program. No additional courses need to be added. All of these courses are currently offered on a rotation as a part of regular faculty load. Enrollment in the certificate will help fill the courses to capacity. As the certificate program expands, the certificate will be offered entirely through online courses. The online sections will be taught in overload an offered through DELO.

**7. Term of implementation:** Fall 2017

**8. Dates of committee approvals:**

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| Department *(Economics)* | **2/13/17** |
| College Curriculum Committee *(GFCB Grad Committee)* | **2/22/17** |
| Graduate College Curriculum Committee | **03/27/2017** |
| Graduate Council |  |
| University Senate |  |
| Board of Regents |  |

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**Program - Suspend/Delete/Reactivate**

**(Consent)**

Date: 1/3/17

College: College of Education and Behavioral Sciences

Department: School of Teacher Education

Contact Person: Lisa Murley [lisa.murley@wku.edu](mailto:lisa.murley@wku.edu) 270-745-8822

**1. Identification of course or program:**

* 1. Program reference number: 118
  2. Program title: Elementary Education Specialist, Ed.S.

**2. Action:**  suspend  delete  reactivate

**3. Rationale:** Due to consistently low enrollment in the program, the provost has recommended the closure of Education Specialist Degree for Secondary Education.

**4. Effect on programs or other departments:** There are no anticipated effects on other programs or departments.

**5. Term of implementation:** Summer 2017

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

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| Department | **1-13-2017** |
| College Curriculum Committee | **2-7-2017** |
| Professional Education Council (if applicable) | **2-8-2017** |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | **03/27/2017** |
| Graduate Council |  |
| University Senate |  |

**Program - Suspend/Delete/Reactivate**

**(Consent)**

Date: 1/3/17

College: College of Education and Behavioral Sciences

Department: School of Teacher Education

Contact Person: Rebecca Stobaugh, [Rebecca.stobaugh@wku.edu](mailto:Rebecca.stobaugh@wku.edu); 270-799-5690

**1. Identification of course or program:**

* 1. Program reference number: 119
  2. Program title: Secondary Education, EDS

**2. Action:**  suspend  delete  reactivate

**3. Rationale:** Due to consistently low enrollment in the program, the provost has recommended the closure of Education Specialist Degree for Secondary Education.

**4. Effect on programs or other departments:** There are no anticipated effects on other programs or departments.

**5. Term of implementation:** Summer 2017

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

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| Department | 1/13/17 |
| College Curriculum Committee | 2/7/17 |
| Professional Education Council (if applicable) | 2/8/17 |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | **03/27/2017** |
| Graduate Council |  |
| University Senate |  |

**Course - Suspend/Delete/Reactivate**

**(Consent)**

Date: 1/18/2017

College, Department: College of Education and Behavioral Sciences, Counseling and Student Affairs

Contact Person: Jill Duba Sauerheber, [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu), 5-4799

**1. Identification of course or program:**

* 1. Current course prefix (subject area) and number: CNS 570
  2. Course title: Workshop in Counseling

**2. Action (check one): \_\_X\_\_** suspend \_\_\_\_\_ delete \_\_\_\_\_ reactivate

**3. Rationale:** The course has not been offered since 2007 and will not be offered in the foreseeable future.Suspending it from the current course listings will prevent confusion among students who may be considering the course as an elective.

**4. Effect on programs or other departments:** As mentioned, the course has not been offered for several years. It is no longer a required course in any program in the Department and is not a requirement for state licensure.

**5. Term of implementation:** Summer 2017

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

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| Department | **01/18/2017** |
| College Curriculum Committee | **02/07/2017** |
| Professional Education Council (if applicable) | **02/08/2017** |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | **03/27/2017** |
| Graduate Council |  |
| University Senate |  |

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**Course - Suspend/Delete/Reactivate**

**(Consent)**

Date: 11/28/2016

College, Department: College of Education and Behavioral Sciences, Counseling and Student Affairs

Contact Person: Jill Duba Sauerheber, [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu), 5-4799

**1. Identification of course or program:**

* 1. Current course prefix (subject area) and number: CNS 580
  2. Course title: Family Life Studies

**2. Action (check one): \_\_X\_\_** suspend \_\_\_\_\_ delete \_\_\_\_\_ reactivate

**3. Rationale:** The course has not been offered in at least 4 years and will not be offered in the foreseeable future.Deleting it from the current course listings will prevent confusion among students who may be considering the course as an elective.

**4. Effect on programs or other departments:** As mentioned, the course has not been offered for several years. It is no longer a required course in any program in the Department and is not a requirement for state licensure.

**5. Term of implementation:** Summer 2017

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

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| Department | **11/28/2016** |
| College Curriculum Committee | **12/06/2016** |
| Professional Education Council (if applicable) | **02/08/2017** |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | **03/27/2017** |
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**Course - Suspend/Delete/Reactivate**

**(Consent)**

Date: 01/18/2017

College, Department: College of Education and Behavioral Sciences, Counseling and Student Affairs

Contact Person: Jill Duba Sauerheber, [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu), 5-4799

**1. Identification of course or program:**

* 1. Current course prefix (subject area) and number: CNS 652
  2. Course title: Independent Research Counseling

**2. Action (check one): \_X\_\_\_** suspend \_\_\_\_\_ delete \_\_\_\_\_ reactivate

**3. Rationale:** The course has not been offered since 2007 and will not be offered in the foreseeable future. Suspending it from the current course listings will prevent confusion among students who may be considering the course as an elective.

**4. Effect on programs or other departments:** As mentioned, the course has not been offered for several years. It is no longer a required course in any program in the Department and is not a requirement for state licensure.

**5. Term of implementation:** Summer 2017

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

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**Program - Suspend/Delete/Reactivate**

**(Consent)**

Date: 11/28/2016

College: College of Education and Behavioral Sciences

Department: Counseling and Student Affairs

Contact Person: Jill Duba Sauerheber, [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu), 5-4799

**1. Identification of course or program:**

* 1. Program reference number: 159, IIA
  2. Program title: Individual Intellectual Assessment, Endorsement (159, IIA)

**2. Action: X** suspend  delete  reactivate

**3. Rationale:** Interest, as well as enrollment in this program is limited at best. Additionally, the Department does not have the faculty resources to continue to teach the courses required of this program. Efforts are being made to create certificate programs that meet the current trends in counseling and the school setting. The program needs to be removed from program listings to prevent confusion among interested parties.

**4. Effect on programs or other departments:** None

**5. Term of implementation:** Summer 2017

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

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| Department | **11/29/2016** |
| College Curriculum Committee | **12/06/2016** |
| Professional Education Council (if applicable) | **02/08/2017** |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | **03/27/2017** |
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**Create a New Course**

**(Action)**

Date: 11/29/2016

College, Department: College of Education and Behavioral Sciences, Counseling and Student Affairs

Contact Person: Jill Duba Sauerheber, [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu) , 5-4799

**1.** **Proposed course:**

* 1. Course prefix (subject area) and number: CNS 548
  2. Course title: Principles and Practices of School Counseling
  3. Abbreviated course title: Principle Practice Sch Counsel  
     (maximum of 30 characters or spaces)
  4. Credit hours: 3
  5. Variable credit (yes or no): No
  6. Repeatable (yes or no) for total of \_\_\_ hours: No
  7. Grade type: Standard Letter grade
  8. Prerequisites: None
  9. Corequisites: None
  10. Course description: Course participants will learn how to design and implement guidance, counseling, and career services at various school levels, as well as best practices in facilitating and advancing student learning.
  11. Course equivalency: None

**2. Rationale:**

* 1. Reason for developing the proposed course:  This course will replace an outdated course currently being required within the School Counseling program and associate certificate programs. Its content accurately reflects current trends in School Counseling, as well as accreditation standards. Such content is related to the practice and philosophy of effective elementary, middle and high school counseling, as well as current trends in best practice.

2.2 Relationship of the proposed course to other courses at WKU: CNS 559 Counseling Techniques and CNS 568 Counseling Children and Adolescents focus on clinical skills, however do not necessarily do so within the context of the school setting.

**3. Discussion of proposed course:**

* 1. Schedule type: Applied Learning
  2. Learning Outcomes: Learning Outcomes: Upon completing this course, students will:

1. Understand the history of Professional School Counseling, including

recent trends and transformations in school counseling practice, and how this history has informed the current practice of school counselors.

1. Understand the role and functions of a Professional School Counselor,

and begin the process of develop and evolving Professional Identity, Professional Philosophy, and Mission to inform future practice.

1. Understand the ASCA National Model and models of Comprehensive

School Counseling Programs (CSCP), and be able to apply the models to develop and manage a CSCP.

1. Understand and articulate the role of Professional School Counselors in creating educationally just school and managing healthy learning communities that promote success for every student.
2. Identify, deconstruct, and analyze current issues facing Professional

School Counselors in Warren County and surrounding areas, the State of Kentucky, and the USA.

* 1. Content outline: This course will introduce school counseling programs at the elementary, middle, and high school levels. Philosophy, principles, and practices of effective elementary, middle, and high school counseling, as well as the developmental needs of students 5-18 years of age. The following subject areas will be covered:

FOUNDATIONS in

* models of school counseling programs
* models of school-based collaboration and consultation
* assessments specific to P-12 education

PRACTICE in

* development of school counseling program mission statements and objectives
* design and evaluation of school counseling programs
* core curriculum design, lesson plan development, classroom management strategies, and differentiated instructional strategies
* interventions to promote academic development
* approaches to increase promotion and graduation rates
* techniques to foster collaboration and teamwork within schools
* strategies for implementing and coordinating peer intervention programs
* use of accountability data to inform decision making
* use of data to advocate for programs and students
  1. Student expectations and requirements:

Students will be expected to complete various readings, complete evaluative measures such as papers, exams, group assignments, and demonstration of skill acquisition.

* 1. Tentative texts and course materials:
* American School Counseling Association. (2013) The ASCA National Model: A Framework for School Counseling Programs. ASCA.
* Chen-Hayes, S. F., Ockerman, M. S., & Mason, E. (2013). 101 Solutions for School Counselors and Leaders in Challenging Times. Crown.
* Gysbers, N. C. (2012). Developing & Managing Your School Guidance & Counseling Programs. ASCA.
* Gysbers, N. C. (2010). School Counseling Principles: Remembering the Past, Shaping the Future, A History of School Counseling. American School Counselor Association.
* North, R. A. (2017). Motivational Interviewing for School Counselors. Independent publisher.
* Stone, C. (2013). School Counseling Principles: Ethics and Law Paperback. American School Counselor Association.

**4. Budget implications:**

* 1. Proposed method of staffing: Existing faculty from the Department of

Counseling and Student Affairs will teach courses. Adding this new course will not cost additional faculty lines. The department course schedule will be designed so that course is offered consistently, yet does not require any faculty to teach an overload.

4.2 Special equipment, materials, or library resources needed: Existing equipment, materials, and library resources are sufficient for this program.

**5. Term for implementation:** Fall 2017

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

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| Department | **11/29/2016** |
| College Curriculum Committee | **12/06/2016** |
| Professional Education Council (if applicable) | **02/08/2017** |
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**Create a New Course**

**(Action)**

Date: 11/29/2016

College, Department: College of Education and Behavioral Sciences, Counseling and Student Affairs

Contact Person: Jill Duba Sauerheber, [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu), 5-4799

**1.** **Proposed course:**

* 1. Course prefix (subject area) and number: CNS 549
  2. Course title: School Counseling and Consultation
  3. Abbreviated course title: School Counseling Consultation  
     (maximum of 30 characters or spaces)
  4. Credit hours: 3
  5. Variable credit (yes or no): No
  6. Repeatable (yes or no) for total of \_\_\_ hours: No
  7. Grade type: Standard Letter grade
  8. Prerequisites: None
  9. Corequisites: None
  10. Course description: This course is designed to prepare students to lead programs and employ consultation strategies in the development and implementation of data driven school counseling programs. Students will learn leadership and school-based consultation principles, theories, skills, and models necessary to enhance the learning environment. Emphasis is placed on the role of the school counselor as a systemic change agent.
  11. Course equivalency: None

**2. Rationale:**

* 1. Reason for developing the proposed course: This course will replace an outdated course currently being required within the School Counseling program and associate certificate programs. Its content accurately reflects current trends in School Counseling, as well as accreditation standards.  More specifically, it will outline various consultation principles and skills which are not covered in other school counseling courses.
  2. Relationship of the proposed course to other courses at WKU:  Psych 645 Consultation in Mental Health and Educational Settings is offered in the psychology department, however it focuses more on interventions than on preventative measures.

**3. Discussion of proposed course:**

* 1. Schedule type: Applied Learning
  2. Learning Outcomes: Upon completing this course, students will:
* Understand school-based consultation principles, theories, and models
* Develop skills in leadership, advocacy, consultation, and systems change agents in P-12 schools
* Understand school counselor roles in consultation with families, P-12 and postsecondary school personnel, and community agencies
* Will develop skills in school counselor roles such as school leadership and in multidisciplinary teams
* Will develop competencies to advocate for school counseling roles
* Will understand the qualities and styles of effective leadership in schools
* Will understand how to create and connect with community resources and referral sources
* Will become knowledgeable of legislation and government policies relevant to school counseling
* Will develop strategies to promote equality in student achievement and college access
  1. Content outline:
* School counselor roles as leaders, advocates, and systems change agents in P-12 schools
* School counselor roles in consultation with families, P-12 and postsecondary school personnel, and community agencies
* School counselor roles in school leadership and multidisciplinary teams
* Competencies to advocate for school counseling roles
* Qualities and styles of effective leadership in schools
* Community resources and referral sources
* Legislation and government policy relevant to school counseling
* Strategies to promote equality in student achievement and college access
  1. Student expectations and requirements: Students will be expected to complete various readings, complete evaluative measures such as papers, exams, group assignments, and demonstration of skill acquisition.
  2. Tentative texts and course materials:
* Erford, B. T. (2015). Professional School Counseling: A Handbook of Theories, Programs, and Practices. Pro Ed.
* Hatch, T. (2013). The Use of Data in School Counseling: Hatching Results for Students, Programs, and the Profession. Corwin Publishers.
* Kampwirth, T. J. (2015). Collaborative Consultation in the Schools: Effective Practices for Students with Learning and Behavior Problems. Pearson.
* Kolbert, J. B., Williams, R. L., Morgan, L. M., Crothers, L. M., & Hughes, T. L. (2016). Introduction to Professional School Counseling: Advocacy, Leadership, and Intervention. Routledge.

**4. Budget implications:**

* 1. Proposed method of staffing: Existing faculty from the Department of

Counseling and Student Affairs will teach courses. Adding this

new course will not cost additional faculty lines. The department course

schedule will be designed so that course is offered consistently, yet does

not require any faculty to teach an overload.

4.3 Special equipment, materials, or library resources needed: Existing

equipment, materials, and library resources are sufficient for this

program.

**5. Term for implementation:** Fall 2017

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

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| Department | **11/29/2016** |
| College Curriculum Committee | **12/06/2016** |
| Professional Education Council (if applicable) | **02/08/2017** |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | 3/27/2017 |
| Graduate Council |  |
| University Senate |  |

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**Create a New Course**

**(Action)**

Date: 11/29/2016

College, Department: College of Education and Behavioral Sciences, Counseling and Student Affairs

Contact Person: Jill Duba Sauerheber, [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu), 5-4799

Andrea Jenkins, [andrea.jenkins@wku.edu](andrea.jenkins@wku.edu%20), 270-745-4786

**1.** **Proposed course:**

* 1. Course prefix (subject area) and number: CNS 677
  2. Course title: Eating Disorders in Counseling
  3. Abbreviated course title: Eating Disorders in Counseling  
     (maximum of 30 characters or spaces)
  4. Credit hours: 3
  5. Variable credit (yes or no): No
  6. Repeatable (yes or no) for total of \_\_\_ hours: No
  7. Grade type: Standard Letter grade
  8. Prerequisites: None
  9. Corequisites: None
  10. Course description: Etiology, assessment, and diagnosis of eating disorders which will include anorexia nervosa, bulimia nervosa, binge eating disorder, and avoidant/restrictive food intake disorder. Existing treatment options and preventative measures will also be examined.
  11. Course equivalency: None

**2. Rationale:**

2.1 Reason for developing the proposed course: Currently, eating disorders have the highest mortality rate of any mental health disorder (Crow, Peterson, Swanson, Raymond, Specker, Eckert, & Mitchell, 2009; National Association of Anorexia Nervosa and Associated Disorders [ANAD], 2014; Smink, van Hoeken, & Hoek, 2012; Papadopoulos, Ekbam, Brandt, & Ekselius, 2008) and are characterized by significant physical, psychological, and academic or occupational dysfunction (Hillege, Beale, & McMaster, 2006; Smink et al., 2012). Further, eating disorders have high co-morbidity with other psychiatric conditions such as obsessive-compulsive disorder, anxiety, depression and suicidality, narcissistic personality disorder, and avoidant personality disorder (Hudson, Hiripi, Pope, & Kessler, 2007; Simon & Zieve, 2013; Swanson, Crow, LeGrange, & Merikangas, 2011). Eating disorders, which include anorexia nervosa, bulimia nervosa, binge eating disorder, and avoidant/restrictive food intake disorder classifications (American Psychiatric Association, 2013), tend to be first diagnosed in individuals in late adolescence and early adulthood. Scholars have found among college samples that women and men exhibit disordered eating patterns at approximately 25% and 20%, respectively (Arigo, Schumacher, & Martin, 2014; Greenleaf, Petrie, Carter, & Reel, 2009; Quick & Byrd-Bredbrenner, 2013).

The alarming research statistics support the need for more of an academic focus on this specific population. Currently, at WKU within the Counseling and Student Affairs program, eating disorders are covered only briefly over one evening in a three- credit hour course (CNS 567 Mental Health Diagnosis and Treatment in Counseling). Clearly, this is not a significant amount of time to address an issue that is impacting our campus and the surrounding Bowling Green community. Based on the course catalog, no other courses on campus state explicitly that the focus of the course is on eating disorders. Many counselors in our program and within the community have reported that they do not feel adequately prepared to offer effective assessment and interventions when working with eating disorder concerns.

The proposed course will be used as an elective in the Counseling and Student Affairs program and the proposed Certificate in Addictions, as well as made available to students who may be interested in the topic from other programs. The course is a possibility for all undergraduate/ graduate students on WKU’s campus including those preparing to be teachers, counselors, human services professionals, and/or content experts.

2.2 Relationship of the proposed course to other courses at WKU: The proposed course will examine eating disorders from a holistic perspective including the physical and psychological effects of these diagnoses. Other courses provided through WKU (HMD 361/HMD362 and CHEM 109/CHEM304) which address this topic approach it from a medical perspective, focusing either specifically on the effects of poor nutrition in general on the physical body, or from a treatment perspective which emphasizes nutrition planning. None of the courses currently offered at WKU, dealing with eating disorders specifically address the mental health concerns inherent in these diagnoses; or discuss prevention of the cognitive and emotional stressors that can lead to eating disorders.

**3. Discussion of proposed course:**

* 1. Schedule type: Applied Learning
  2. Learning Outcomes: Upon completing this course, students will:
* Describe various eating disorders in diagnostic terms
* Analyze and compare etiology of various eating disorders and their development over time
* Demonstrate use of assessments for eating disorders
* Identify and evaluate existing treatment options for various eating disorders
* Compare and contrast abnormal and normal eating habits based on current research and clinical expertise
* Discuss current eating behavior trends and explain medical consequences of various eating disorder symptoms
* Examine comorbid mental health issues related to eating disorders, such as certain personality factors
  1. Content outline:
* Definition and diagnostic criteria for eating disorders
* Etiology of specific eating disorders and personality factors related to specific eating disorders
* Assessment techniques
* Cultural competencies when evaluating abnormal vs normal eating behaviors
* Current eating behavior trends and treatment options available
* Discussion of preventative measures
* Comorbid mental health issues
  1. Student expectations and requirements:

Students will be expected to complete various readings, complete evaluative measures such as papers, exams, group assignments, and demonstration of skill acquisition.

* 1. Tentative texts and course materials:

Keel, P. K. (2016). *Eating disorders* (2nd ed.). New York, NY: Oxford University Press.

Additional assigned and supplemental course readings and resources will be available on the WKU Blackboard site for this course.

**4. Budget implications:**

* 1. Proposed method of staffing: Existing faculty from the Department of

Counseling and Student Affairs will teach courses. Adding this

new course will not cost additional faculty lines. The department course

schedule will be designed so that course is offered consistently, yet does

not require any faculty to teach an overload.

4.2 Special equipment, materials, or library resources needed: Existing

equipment, materials, and library resources are sufficient for this

program.

**5. Term for implementation:** Fall 2017

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

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| Department | **11/29/2016** |
| College Curriculum Committee | **02/07/2017** |
| Professional Education Council (if applicable) | **02/08/2017** |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | 3/27/2017 |
| Graduate Council |  |
| University Senate |  |

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**Revise a Course**

**(Action)**

Date: 11/29/2016

College, Department: College of Education and Behavioral Sciences, Counseling and Student Affairs

Contact Person: Jill Duba Sauerheber, [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu), 5-4799

1. **Identification of course**
   1. Course prefix (subject area) and number: CNS 559
   2. Course title: Techniques in Counseling
2. **Proposed change(s):** 
   1. course number:
   2. course title:
   3. credit hours:
   4. grade type:
   5. prerequisites: Delete "CNS 558"
   6. corequisites:
   7. course description:
   8. other:
3. **Rationale for revision of course:** CNS 558 is the Counseling Theories course. The content from this course is not necessary to apply the concepts addressed and taught in CNS 559 Techniques in Counseling.
4. **Term of implementation:** Spring 2018
5. **Dates of committee approvals:**

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| Department | **11/29/2016** |
| College Curriculum Committee | **02/07/2017** |
| Professional Education Council (if applicable) | **02/08/2017** |
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**Revise a Course**

**(Action)**

Date: 11/29/2016

College, Department: College of Education and Behavioral Sciences, Counseling and Student Affairs

Contact Person: Jill Duba Sauerheber, [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu), 5-4799

1. **Identification of course**
   1. Course prefix (subject area) and number: CNS 567
   2. Course title: Mental Health Diagnosis and Treatment in Counseling
2. **Proposed change(s):** 
   1. course number:
   2. course title:
   3. credit hours:
   4. grade type:
   5. prerequisites: Delete "CNS 558"
   6. corequisites:
   7. course description:
   8. other:
3. **Rationale for revision of course:** CNS 558 is the Counseling Theories course. The content from this course is not necessary to apply the concepts addressed and taught in CNS 567.
4. **Term of implementation:** Spring 2018
5. **Dates of committee approvals:**

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| Department | **11/29/2016** |
| College Curriculum Committee | **02/07/2017** |
| Professional Education Council (if applicable) | **02/08/2017** |
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**Revise a Course**

**(Action)**

Date: 11/28/2016

College, Department: College of Education and Behavioral Sciences, Counseling and Student Affairs

Contact Person: Jill Duba Sauerheber, [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu), 5-4799

1. **Identification of course**
   1. Course prefix (subject area) and number: CNS 583
   2. Course title: Couples Counseling
2. **Proposed change(s):** 
   1. course number:
   2. course title:
   3. credit hours:
   4. grade type:
   5. prerequisites: Delete “12 hours of counseling courses including CNS 580”
   6. corequisites:
   7. course description:
   8. other:
3. **Rationale for revision of course:** The decision to include the above mentioned prerequisites was not made under the approval of the current faculty. Further, CNS 580 is no longer offered. Additionally, students do not need content or skill development in order to be prepared to take and successfully complete this course.
4. **Term of implementation:** Spring 2018
5. **Dates of committee approvals:**

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| Department | **11/28/2016** |
| College Curriculum Committee | **02/07/2017** |
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**Revise a Program**

**(Action)**

Date: 11/29/2016

College: College of Education and Behavioral Sciences

Department: Counseling and Student Affairs

Contact Person: Jill Duba Sauerheber, Ph.D., [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu), 5-4799

**1. Identification of program:**

* 1. Reference number: 046
  2. Program title: School Counseling, Master of Arts in Education

**2. Proposed change(s):**

2.1  title:

2.2  admission criteria:

2.3  curriculum: Decrease from 48 hours to 36 hours

2.4  other:

**3. Detailed program description:**

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| Existing Program | Revised Program |
| (Insert existing program language)  **Program Admission**  Application Deadline is October 15 for spring admission; and March 15 for fall admission.  Overview of the Application Process for Master's Degree Programs  Review of completed applications begins October 16th and March 16th for spring and fall, respectively. Reviews employ a holistic approach to evaluate applicants' potential to be successful as students and, upon graduation, counseling or student affairs professionals. This approach involves the submission of materials that allows department faculty members to develop a more complete picture of applicants in terms of academic aptitude for graduate-level study, potential success in forming effective counseling relationships, respect for cultural differences, and relevance of career goals to their prospective programs of interest. Faculty rate applicants' application materials and rank the applications according to these categories. Highly ranked applicants are invited to interview with faculty and current students in an individual or group setting.  After completion of the interview, admissions decisions are made based on application ratings and interview evaluations collectively. The application process is competitive with a limited number of openings.  STEP ONE: COMPLETE THE ADMISSIONS APPLICATION PROCESS  Completed applications include various application materials that must be completed by the application deadlines. Application portfolios should reflect thought, attention to detail, and appropriate effort. You are applying to a competitive graduate program; it is important that your portfolio represents you in a positive yet realistic manner. Please allow yourself at least a few weeks to complete the entire process.  All of the following materials should be submitted directly through the Graduate School application:  1.Graduate School Application Form - requirements include a non-refundable application fee and official transcripts  2.Statement of Interest  3.KSP background check and signed statement  4.Resume  In addition to the Graduate School application process, students entering the Student Affairs program may be asked to submit a Case Study Writing Sample. Once the completed application is received, separate instructions will be sent for completing this process.  STEP TWO: SELECTED APPLICANTS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN INTERVIEW  Based on the review of the application portfolio, highly ranked applicants will receive notification of their eligibility for an individual or group interview. Applicants who completed Step 1 with moderate rankings may be placed on a waiting list depending on the number of students admitted each term. Eligible applicants will be scheduled for interviews on campus with faculty, current students, alumni and/or experienced professionals. Participation in the interview process does not guarantee admission but is a prerequisite for admission. Interviewees who are unable to travel to campus interviews may arrange an online interview with the Program Coordinator. Based on the interview assessment, faculty will make offers for admission for the most highly rated candidates.  Applicants with moderate or lower rankings from the interviewers may receive letters indicating they will be placed on a waiting list or are not eligible for admission based upon the review. If you are on a waiting list, the average time to be notified of your eligibility may be up to 6 weeks. Program Coordinators will oversee the application process.  Please refer to the admission section of this catalog for Graduate School admission requirements.  The specific requirements for the MAE program in School Counseling are as follows:  CNS 550 Introduction to Counseling 3  CNS 551 Classroom Guidance 3  CNS 598 Research and Program Evaluation in Counseling 3  CNS 552 Testing and Assessment in Counseling 3  CNS 554 Group Counseling 3  CNS 555 Social and Cultural Diversity in Counseling 3  CNS 556 Developmental Career Counseling 3  CNS 557 Human and Family Development in Counseling 3  CNS 558 Theories of Counseling 3  CNS 559 Techniques of Counseling 3  CNS 660 Organization and Administration of Guidance Services 3  CNS 568 Counseling Children and Adolescents 3  or CNS 569 Play Therapy  CNS 658 Seminar in Guidance and Counseling 3  CNS 590 Practicum 1 3  CNS 595 Testing Internship 2 6  Total Hours 48   |  |  | | --- | --- | | 1 | To enroll in practicum the student must have completed the appropriate practice preparation sequence and obtain departmental approval. | | 2 | Internship must be taken over a period of two semesters. |   All students must pass a final comprehensive examination. Comprehensive examinations are given in the fall, spring, and summer semesters. Students must meet the criteria established by the College of Education and Behavioral Sciences in order to be eligible to take the comprehensive examination. The comprehensive exam policy and application may be found at [www.wku.edu/cebs/programs/graduate/comp\_exams/index.php](http://www.wku.edu/cebs/programs/graduate/comp_exams/index.php). | (Identify deletions by strike-through and highlight additions.)  **Program Admission**  Application Deadline is October 15 for spring admission; and March 15 for fall admission.  Overview of the Application Process for Master's Degree Programs  Review of completed applications begins October 16th and March 16th for spring and fall, respectively. Reviews employ a holistic approach to evaluate applicants' potential to be successful as students and, upon graduation, counseling or student affairs professionals. This approach involves the submission of materials that allows department faculty members to develop a more complete picture of applicants in terms of academic aptitude for graduate-level study, potential success in forming effective counseling relationships, respect for cultural differences, and relevance of career goals to their prospective programs of interest. Faculty rate applicants' application materials and rank the applications according to these categories. Highly ranked applicants are invited to interview with faculty and current students in an individual or group setting.  After completion of the interview, admissions decisions are made based on application ratings and interview evaluations collectively. The application process is competitive with a limited number of openings.  STEP ONE: COMPLETE THE ADMISSIONS APPLICATION PROCESS  Completed applications include various application materials that must be completed by the application deadlines. Application materials should reflect thought, attention to detail, and appropriate effort. You are applying to a competitive graduate program; it is important that your portfolio represents you in a positive yet realistic manner. Please allow yourself at least a few weeks to complete the entire process.  All of the following materials should be submitted directly through the Graduate School application:  1.Graduate School Application Form - requirements include a non-refundable application fee and official transcripts  2.Statement of Interest  3.~~KSP background check and signed statement~~  A background check  4.Resume  In addition to the Graduate School application process, students entering the Student Affairs program may be asked to submit a Case Study Writing Sample. Once the completed application is received, separate instructions will be sent for completing this process.  STEP TWO: SELECTED APPLICANTS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN INTERVIEW  Based on the review of the application materials, highly ranked applicants will receive notification of their eligibility for an individual or group interview. Applicants who completed Step 1 with moderate rankings may be placed on a waiting list depending on the number of students admitted each term. Eligible applicants will be scheduled for interviews on campus with faculty, current students, alumni and/or experienced professionals. Participation in the interview process does not guarantee admission but is a prerequisite for admission. Interviewees who are unable to travel to campus interviews may arrange an online interview with the Program Coordinator. Based on the interview assessment, faculty will make offers for admission for the most highly rated candidates.  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Comprehensive examinations are given in the fall, spring, and summer semesters. Students must meet the criteria established by the College of Education and Behavioral Sciences in order to be eligible to take the comprehensive examination. The comprehensive exam policy and application may be found at <www.wku.edu/cebs/programs/graduate/comp_exams/index.php.> |

**4. Rationale:** The Department is receiving an increasing number of out-of-state, as well as mobile

applicants. In order to properly screen such applicants, we want to replace the KSP with a

national background check. When the School Counseling program moved from 36 hours to 48

hours a few years ago in order to meet the Council for Accreditation of Counseling & Related

Educational Programs (CACREP) standards, its enrollment dramatically decreased. In 2011, when

the program was still at 36 hours, 67 students were enrolled. With the increase of credit hours, program enrollment decreased to 37 in 2012, 20 in 2014 and currently stands at 13 students enrolled. The new CACREP standards require all counseling programs to be 60 hours. This could lead to an even further decrease in enrollment. Given that state credentialing does not require School Counselors to graduate from a CACREP-accredited program and in order to maintain the viability of the program as it once had been, this School Counseling program will return to a 36 hour requirement.

**5. Proposed term for implementation:** Fall 2017

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

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| Department | 11/29/2016 |
| College Curriculum Committee | 12/06/2016 |
| Professional Education Council (if applicable) | 02/08/2017 |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | 3/27/2017 |
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**Certificate Program - Create New**

**(Action)**

Date: 01/18/2017

College: College of Education and Behavioral Sciences

Department: Counseling and Student Affairs

Contact Person: Jill Duba Sauerheber, [jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu](mailto:jillduba.sauerheber@wku.edu), 5-4799

**1. Identification of program:**

* 1. Program title: Certificate in Addictions Education
  2. Required hours: 15 credit hours
  3. Program Description: The 15-hour interdisciplinary certificate program in Addictions Education prepares students to provide counseling, or education services and/or support services to individuals abusing or experiencing addiction. Individuals who complete the program will be knowledgeable about the various components of addictions, and will have skills related to their professional field such as prevention strategies, assessment procedures, intervention skills, and treatment, and recovery support.
  4. Classification of Instructional Program Code (CIP): 51.1501

**2. Learning outcomes of the proposed certificate program:**

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| Course | Standard Objectives |
| CNS 637 Theories of Addictions | * Will understand (CACREP - CORE 3.d. HUMAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT d.) theories and etiology of addictions and addictive behaviors * Will become knowledgeable in (CACREP - C. CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING 1. FOUNDATIONS d.) neurobiological and medical foundation and etiology of addiction and co-occurring disorders * Will know (CACREP - C. CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING 2. CONTEXTUAL DIMENSIONS e.) potential for substance use disorders to mimic and/or co-occur with a variety of neurological, medical, and psychological disorders * Will understand (CACREP - F. MARRIAGE, COUPLE, AND FAMILY COUNSELING 2. CONTEXTUAL DIMENSIONS h.) impact of addiction on marriages, couples, and families |
| CNS 647 Addictions: Assessment, Diagnosis, & Treatment Planning | * Will be able to demonstrate competency in determining appropriateness for admission to a program * Will be able to demonstrate competency in client intake process * Will be able to demonstrate competency in client orientation and motivation * Will be able to demonstrate competency in the use of psycho-social tools for assessing the intensity and extent of a client’s problem with chemical dependency * Will be able to demonstrate competency in establishing treatment goals and plan for client * Will be able to demonstrate competency in identifying the needs of the client that cannot be met by the counselor and assisting the client to utilize other agency or community resources available * Will be able to demonstrate competency in ability to relate to our own and other professionals to assure comprehensive care for the client |
| CNS 667 **Counseling Substance Abusers and Their Families** | * Will be able to demonstrate competency in individual counseling * Will be able to demonstrate competency in group counseling * Will be able to demonstrate competency in counseling of the family of the client and significant others * Will be able to demonstrate competency in coordinating multiple treatment activities and support systems for the client * Will be able to demonstrate competency in crisis intervention * Will be able to demonstrate competency in didactic presentations |
| CNS 596 or advisor approved course | * Will be able to apply skills and knowledge base to professional goals |

**3. Rationale:**

* 1. Reason for developing the proposed certificate program: This program meets the needs of the mental health community (i.e. bachelor level mental health professionals, clinical and licensed mental health professionals), as well as bachelor-level professionals who work with employees and/or clients whom experience addictions. For example, many human resources employees need to assess and make decisions about referrals for employees who are addicted and/or abusing substances. Further, in the state of Kentucky, there is a Certification as an Alcohol and Drug Counselor (CADC) that only requires a bachelor’s degree, with some additional training. It does not require a master’s degree. Our certificate program, particularly with the Capstone project, will meet the training needs of students who will not be graduate level licensed or license eligible mental health professionals, but still are working with employees and/or clients whom face and experience addiction. Students will be encouraged to work with the certificate program coordinator to enroll in courses that best fit their training needs (i.e. including meeting the KY Licensure as a Clinical Alcohol and Drug Counselor Associate [LCADCA]).
  2. Relationship of the proposed certificate program to other programs now offered by the department: A similar certificate program, Certificate in Addictions Counseling and Education was proposed and accepted in 2005. It was suspended in 2012 and because the 5-year limit has passed, we need to propose a new program rather than reactivate it.
  3. Relationship of the proposed certificate program to certificate programs offered in other departments: The above-mentioned program (in 3.2) was a program that was crossed referenced with the Department of Psychology and the Department of Social Work. This new program will again be crossed referenced with these programs.
  4. Projected enrollment in the proposed certificate program: Students will be solicited from within the department (i.e., targeting students enrolled in the Clinical Mental Health Counseling and School Counseling programs). Additionally, bachelor level and licensed mental health professionals practicing within the community and country will be targeted.
  5. Similar certificate programs offered elsewhere in Kentucky and in other states (including programs at benchmark institutions): (a) Union College, Chemical Dependency Certificate 21 hours of undergraduate courses and 21 hours of graduate courses); (b) University of Louisville, Kent School of Social Work, Alcohol & Drug Counseling specialization. Both of these programs do not place emphasis on process addictions in addition to substance abuse. Further, our certificate is completely on-line. While it is only 15 credit hours, it does provide a foundation from which students can still pursue state credentialing in substance abuse counseling certification.
  6. Relationship of the proposed certificate program to the university mission and objectives: This certificate program addresses all aspects of WKU’s mission: *Western Kentucky University (WKU) prepares students of all backgrounds to be productive, engaged, and socially responsible citizen-leaders of a global society. The University provides research, service and lifelong learning opportunities for its students, faculty, and other constituents. WKU enriches the quality of life for those within its reach*. It matches and supports the national, regional and state initiatives as noted above; which are all aimed at helping members of the community heal and work through their addictions which keep them from being productive, engaged and socially responsible citizens. The program is a possibility for all graduate students on WKU’s campus, as well as anyone with a bachelor degree. More specifically, it meets the WKU Strategic Plan, *Objective 1.5., prepare students for lifelong learning and success.* This program will prepare graduates with the skills and knowledge to help notice persons struggling with addictions (whether in clinical settings, school settings or other employment settings), as well as how to intervene.

**4. Admission Criteria:** Applicants must meet minimum

admission requirements to the Graduate School.

**5. Curriculum:** Certificate Requirements-I5 hours

Required courses-9 hours

CNS/PSY/SWRK 637 Theories of Addictions

CNS/PSY/SWRK 647 Addictions: Assessment, Diagnosis, & Treatment

Planning

CNS/PSY/SWRK 667 Counseling Substance & Process Addictions

CNS 596 or advisor approved internship or capstone 3 hours

Approved elective-3 hours

Students may must choose a 3 credit hour graduate course from selected courses approved by the certificate program coordinator.

**6. Budget implications:** The program will primarily be online and should not

require expensive resources. The existence of this program should lead to increased enrollment in the Department of Counseling and Student Affairs.

**7. Term of implementation:** Fall 2017

**8. Dates of committee approvals:**

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| --- | --- |
| Department | **01/18/2017** |
| College Curriculum Committee | **02/07/2017** |
| Office of Academic Affairs (if ≥18 hour program) |  |
| Professional Education Council (if applicable) | **02/08/2017** |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | 3/27/2017 |
| Graduate Council |  |
| University Senate |  |
| Board of Regents |  |

**Course - Suspend/Delete/Reactivate**

**(Consent)**

Date: 2/24/2017

College, Department: Ogden College, Geography and Geology

Contact Person: Name, email, phone David Keeling [david.keeling@wku.edu](mailto:david.keeling@wku.edu) 5-4555

**1. Identification of course or program:**

* 1. Current course prefix (subject area) and number: GEOG 424G
  2. Course title: Weather Analysis and Forecasting

**2. Action (check one): \_\_\_\_** suspend \_\_x\_\_\_ delete \_\_\_\_\_ reactivate

**3. Rationale:**  Content now embedded in GEOS 526

**4. Effect on programs or other departments:** None

**5. Term of implementation:** Summer 2017

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Department | 2/24/2017 |
| College Curriculum Committee | 3/8/2016 |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | 3/27/2017 |
| Graduate Council |  |
| University Senate |  |

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**Course - Suspend/Delete/Reactivate**

**(Consent)**

Date: February 24, 2017

Ogden College, Department of Geography and Geology

Contact Person: David Keeling, david.keeling@wku.edu, 5-4555

**1. Identification of course or program:**

* 1. Current course prefix (subject area) and number: GEOG434G
  2. Course title: Historic Preservation

**2. Action (check one): \_\_\_\_** suspend \_\_\_X\_\_ delete \_\_\_\_\_ reactivate

**3. Rationale: Replaced by GEOS 534 Historic Preservation and Planning**

**4. Effect on programs or other departments: None**

**5. Term of implementation:** Summer 2017

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Department | 2/24/2017 |
| College Graduate Curriculum Committee | 3/8/2017 |
| College Council Curriculum Committee | 3/27/2017 |
| Graduate Council |  |
| University Senate |  |

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**Course - Suspend/Delete/Reactivate**

**(Consent)**

Date: February 24, 2017

Ogden College, Department of Geography and Geology

Contact Person: David Keeling, david.keeling@wku.edu, 5-4555

1. **Identification of course or program:**

1.1 Current course prefix (subject area) and number: GEOG462G

1.2 Course title: Geography of South America

**2. Action (check one): \_\_\_\_** suspend \_\_\_X\_\_ delete \_\_\_\_\_ reactivate

**3. Rationale: Replaced by GEOS 540 Advanced Regional Geography**

**4. Effect on programs or other departments: None**

**5. Term of implementation:** Summer 2017

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Department | 2/24/2017 |
| College Curriculum Committee | 3/8/2017 |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | 3/27/2017 |
| Graduate Council |  |
| University Senate |  |

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**Course - Suspend/Delete/Reactivate**

**(Consent)**

Date: February 24, 2017

Ogden College, Department of Geography and Geology

Contact Person: David Keeling, david.keeling@wku.edu, 5-4555

**1. Identification of course or program:**

* 1. Current course prefix (subject area) and number: GEOG467G

1.2 Course title: Geography of the Middle East

**2. Action (check one): \_\_\_\_** suspend \_\_\_X\_\_ delete \_\_\_\_\_ reactivate

**3. Rationale: Replaced by GEOS 540 Advanced Regional Geography**

**4. Effect on programs or other departments: None**

**5. Term of implementation:** Summer 2017

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Department | 2/24/2017 |
| College Curriculum Committee | 3/8/2017 |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | 3/27/2017 |
| Graduate Council |  |
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**Course - Suspend/Delete/Reactivate**

**(Consent)**

Date: February 24, 2017

Ogden College, Department of Geography and Geology

Contact Person: David Keeling, david.keeling@wku.edu, 5-4555

**1. Identification of course or program:**

* 1. Current course prefix (subject area) and number: GEOG 474G
  2. Course title: Environmental Planning

**2. Action (check one): \_\_\_\_** suspend \_\_\_X\_\_ delete \_\_\_\_\_ reactivate

**3. Rationale: Replaced by GEOS 584 Advanced Environmental Planning**

**4. Effect on programs or other departments: None**

**5. Term of implementation:** Summer 2017

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Department | 2/24/2017 |
| College Curriculum Committee | 3/8/2017 |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | 3/27/2017 |
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**Course - Suspend/Delete/Reactivate**

**(Consent)**

Date: February 24, 2017

Ogden College, Department of Geography and Geology

Contact Person: David Keeling, david.keeling@wku.edu, 5-4555

**1. Identification of course or program:**

* 1. Current course prefix (subject area) and number: GEOG501
  2. Course title: Geoscience and Development

**2. Action (check one): \_\_\_\_** suspend \_\_\_X\_\_ delete \_\_\_\_\_ reactivate

**3. Rationale: Replaced by GEOS 501**

**4. Effect on programs or other departments: None**

**5. Term of implementation:** Summer 2017

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Department | 2/24/2017 |
| College Curriculum Committee | 3/8/2017 |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | 3/27/2017 |
| Graduate Council |  |
| University Senate |  |

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**Course - Suspend/Delete/Reactivate**

**(Consent)**

Date: February 24, 2017

Ogden College, Department of Geography and Geology

Contact Person: David Keeling, david.keeling@wku.edu, 5-4555

**1. Identification of course or program:**

* 1. Current course prefix (subject area) and number: GEOG502
  2. Course title: Geoscience Field Research Methods

**2. Action (check one): \_\_\_\_** suspend \_\_\_X\_\_ delete \_\_\_\_\_ reactivate

**3. Rationale: Replaced by GEOS 502**

**4. Effect on programs or other departments: None**

**5. Term of implementation:** Summer 2017

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Department | 2/24/2017 |
| College Curriculum Committee | 3/8/2017 |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | 3/27/2017 |
| Graduate Council |  |
| University Senate |  |

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**Course - Suspend/Delete/Reactivate**

**(Consent)**

Date: February 24, 2017

Ogden College, Department of Geography and Geology

Contact Person: David Keeling, david.keeling@wku.edu, 5-4555

**1. Identification of course or program:**

* 1. Current course prefix (subject area) and number: GEOG539
  2. Course title: Seminar in Atmospheric Modeling

**2. Action (check one): \_\_\_\_** suspend \_\_\_X\_\_ delete \_\_\_\_\_ reactivate

**3. Rationale: Replaced by GEOS 526**

**4. Effect on programs or other departments: None**

**5. Term of implementation:** Summer 2017

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Department | 2/24/2017 |
| College Curriculum Committee | 3/8/2017 |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | 3/27/2017 |
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| University Senate |  |

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**Course - Suspend/Delete/Reactivate**

**(Consent)**

Date: 2/24/2017

College, Department: Ogden College, Geography and Geology

Contact Person: Name, email, phone David Keeling [david.keeling@wku.edu](mailto:david.keeling@wku.edu) 5-4555

**1. Identification of course or program:**

* 1. Current course prefix (subject area) and number: GEOL 420G
  2. Course title: Geomorphology

**2. Action (check one): \_\_\_\_** suspend \_\_x\_\_\_ delete \_\_\_\_\_ reactivate

**3. Rationale:**  Content now embedded in GEOS 521

**4. Effect on programs or other departments:** None

**5. Term of implementation:** Summer 2017

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Department | 2/24/2017 |
| College Curriculum Committee | 3/8/2017 |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | 3/27/2017 |
| Graduate Council |  |
| University Senate |  |

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**Course - Suspend/Delete/Reactivate**

**(Consent)**

Date: 2/24/2017

College, Department: Ogden College, Geography and Geology

Contact Person: Name, email, phone David Keeling [david.keeling@wku.edu](mailto:david.keeling@wku.edu) 5-4555

**1. Identification of course or program:**

* 1. Current course prefix (subject area) and number: GEOL 460G
  2. Course title: Sedimentation and Stratigraphy

**2. Action (check one): \_\_\_\_** suspend \_\_x\_\_\_ delete \_\_\_\_\_ reactivate

**3. Rationale:**  Undergraduate course restructured to GEOL 360

**4. Effect on programs or other departments:** None

**5. Term of implementation:** Summer 2017

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Department | 2/24/2017 |
| College Curriculum Committee | 3/8/2017 |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | 3/27/2017 |
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| University Senate |  |

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**Course - Suspend/Delete/Reactivate**

**(Consent)**

Date: 2/24/2017

College, Department: Ogden College, Geography and Geology

Contact Person: Name, email, phone David Keeling [david.keeling@wku.edu](mailto:david.keeling@wku.edu) 5-4555

**1. Identification of course or program:**

* 1. Current course prefix (subject area) and number: GEOL 475G
  2. Course title: Independent Topics/Geology

**2. Action (check one): \_\_\_\_** suspend \_\_x\_\_\_ delete \_\_\_\_\_ reactivate

**3. Rationale:**  Replaced by GEOS 510 and GEOS 502

**4. Effect on programs or other departments:** None

**5. Term of implementation:** Summer 2017

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Department | 2/24/2017 |
| College Curriculum Committee | 3/8/2017 |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | 3/27/2017 |
| Graduate Council |  |
| University Senate |  |

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**Course - Delete**

**(Consent)**

Date: 1/19/17

Ogden College, Architectural and Manufacturing Sciences

Contact Person: Mark Doggett, mark.doggett@wku.edu, 270-745-6951

**1. Identification of course or program:**

* 1. Current course prefix (subject area) and number: INED 568
  2. Course title: Ceramics and Plastics

**2. Action (check one):** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_suspend **X**  delete \_\_\_\_\_ reactivate

**3. Rationale:** The coursewas last offered in 1989 as an industrial education course. There is currently no plan to offer it in the future.

**4. Effect on programs or other departments:** None

**5. Term of implementation:** Summer 2017

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Department | 2/3/2017 |
| College Graduate Curriculum Committee | 3/8/2017 |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | 3/27/2017 |
| Graduate Council |  |
| University Senate |  |

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**Revise a Course**

**(Action)**

Date: January 20, 2017

College, Department: Ogden College of Science and Engineering, Department of Agriculture

Contact Person: Name, email, phone Becky Gilfillen, [becky.gilfillen@wku.edu](mailto:becky.gilfillen@wku.edu), (270-745-5970)

1. **Identification of course**
   1. Course prefix (subject area) and number: AGRO 452G
   2. Course title: Soil Microbiology
2. **Proposed change(s):** 
   1. course number: AGRO 552
   2. course title:
   3. credit hours:
   4. grade type:
   5. prerequisites:
   6. corequisites:
   7. course description: (same) Soil microbial populations and systems and their influence on plant nutrition, soil organic matter, its decomposition and other soil microbial biochemical processes are presented.
   8. other:
3. **Rationale for revision of course:** AGRO 452G is one of several 400G-level courses the Department of Agriculture proposes to change to 500-level status. Since course content is taught at the 500-level, reflection of that level in the course number is warranted.
4. **Term of implementation:** Spring 2018
5. **Dates of committee approvals:**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Department | 2/2/2017 |
| College Curriculum Committee | 3/8/2017 |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | 3/27/2017 |
| Graduate Council |  |
| University Senate |  |

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**Revise a Course**

**(Action)**

Date: January 20, 2017

College, Department: Ogden College of Science and Engineering, Department of Agriculture

Contact Person: Name, email, phone Becky Gilfillen, [becky.gilfillen@wku.edu](mailto:becky.gilfillen@wku.edu), (270)745-5970

1. **Identification of course**
   1. Course prefix (subject area) and number: AGRO 454G
   2. Course title: Soil Management and Conservation
2. **Proposed change(s):** 
   1. course number: AGRO 554
   2. course title:
   3. credit hours:
   4. grade type:
   5. prerequisites:
   6. corequisites:
   7. course description: (no change) Economic utilization of land for agricultural, recreation and public purposes based on location and capability characteristics; interpretation and application of soil survey information for best interests in crop production, conservation, public and industrial use; practice in designing land use maps are stressed
   8. other:
3. **Rationale for revision of course:** AGRO 454G is one of several 400G-level courses the Department of Agriculture proposes to change to 500-level status. Since course content is taught at the 500-level, reflection of that level in the course number is warranted.
4. **Term of implementation:** Spring 2018
5. **Dates of committee approvals:**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Department | 2/2/2017 |
| College Curriculum Committee | 3/8/2017 |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | 3/27/2017 |
| Graduate Council |  |
| University Senate |  |

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**Revise a Program**

**(Action)**

Date: February 24, 2017

Ogden College of Science and Engineering

Department of Geography and Geology

Contact Person: David Keeling [david.keeling@wku.edu](mailto:david.keeling@wku.edu) 5-4555

**1. Identification of program:**

* 1. Reference number: 072
  2. Program title: Geoscience

**2. Proposed change(s):**

2.1  title:

2.2  admission criteria:

2.3 X curriculum: Revision

2.4  other: Deleting all 5 concentrations

**3. Detailed program description:**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Existing Program | Revised Program |
| Admission Requirements:  \* GRE score, with a minimum 3.5 score on the GRE Analytical Writing component.  \* 3.0 overall undergraduate GPA.  \* Minimum of 18 hours of science courses at the undergraduate level, preferably in the geosciences.  \* One-page statement of research interests.  \* Written evidence of an agreement from a graduate faculty member in the Department of Geography and Geology willing to supervise the proposed research project.  \* Passing grade (C or higher) in appropriate undergraduate coursework to support the thesis research program. For example, students pursuing a thesis project in GIS-related topics are required to have passed an introductory GIS course and a Spatial Data Analysis course at the undergraduate level. Students should take preparatory courses in the summer semester before joining the Geoscience program if they have not previously taken these courses. If taken as a graduate student, a grade of "B" or better is required. Students should consult with their proposed thesis advisor on appropriate preparation coursework before full admission is granted.  Program Core 15 hours  GEOS 500 ~~Geoscience Research~~ 4  GEOS 502 Research Methods 1  GEOS 520 ~~Geo Stats~~ Methods 4  GEOS 599 Research Thesis 6  Concentration Electives\*\* 15 hours    15 hours of graduate coursework selected from the following electives and approved by the thesis director. ~~Students may select appropriate courses from any of the course areas:~~  ~~Physical Science:~~  ~~GEOG 502 Research Methods 3~~  ~~GEOS 510 Research Topics 3~~  ~~GEOS 515 Remote Sensing 4~~  ~~GEOS 521 Geomorphology 3~~  ~~GEOS 559 Hydrological Fluid 3~~  ~~GEOS 566 Karst Geoscience 3~~  ~~GEOS 595 Geoscience Practicum 3~~  ~~GEOG 427G Water Resources 3~~  ~~GEOG 428G Applied Groundwater 3~~  ~~GEOL 4xxG Any Geology course 3~~  ~~Cultural Science:~~  ~~GEOS 501 Geoscience Development 3~~  ~~GEOS 507 Concepts/Skills for Teach 3~~  ~~GEOS 510 Research Topics 3~~  ~~GEOS 525 Political Geography 3~~  ~~GEOS 530 Cultural Geography 3~~  ~~GEOS 534 Historic Preservation 3~~  ~~GEOS 540 Regional Geography 3~~  ~~GEOS 550 Economic Geography 3~~  ~~GEOS 580 Urban Geography 3~~  ~~GEOS 585 Population Geography 3~~  ~~GEOS 595 Geoscience Practicum 3~~  ~~GEOG 451G Geography Kentucky 3~~  ~~G.I. Science:~~  ~~GEOS 510 Research Topics 3~~  ~~GEOS 515 Remote Sensing 4~~  ~~GEOS 517 Spatial Databases 3~~  ~~GEOS 523 Urban GIS Applications 4~~  ~~GEOS 577 Special Topics GIS 3~~  ~~GEOS 584 Advanced Planning 3~~  ~~GEOS 590 Experimental Design 3~~  ~~GEOS 595 Geoscience Practicum 3~~  ~~GEOG 417G GIS Analysis 3~~  ~~GEOG 419G GIS Programming 3~~  ~~Environmental Science:~~  ~~GEOS 505 Biogeography 3~~  ~~GEOS 506 Environment Seminar 3~~  ~~GEOS 510 Research Topics 3~~  ~~GEOS 515 Remote Sensing 4~~  ~~GEOS 543 Env Science Concepts 3~~  ~~GEOS 544 Environmental Ethics 3~~  ~~GEOS 571 Quality of Life 3~~  ~~GEOS 587 Env. Law and Policy 3~~  ~~GEOS 595 Geoscience Practicum 3~~  ~~GEOG 474G Environment Planning 3~~  ~~GEOL 415G Environmental Geology 3~~  ~~Climate Science:~~  ~~GEOS 510 Research Topics 3~~  ~~GEOS 515 Remote Sensing 4~~  ~~GEOS 522 Physical Climatology 3~~  ~~GEOS 533 Synoptic Meteorology 3~~  ~~GEOS 535 Dynamic Meteorology II 3~~  ~~GEOS 537 Mesoscale Meteorology 3~~  ~~GEOS 538 Physical Meteorology 3~~  ~~GEOS 539 Atmospheric Modeling 3~~  ~~GEOS 555 Global Climate Change 3~~  ~~GEOS 595 Geoscience Practicum 3~~  ~~GEOG 424G Weather Analysis 3~~  \*\* A maximum of six hours of advisor-approved electives that are consistent with the student’s Research Focus may be selected from other departments. | Admission Requirements:  \* GRE score, with a minimum 3.5 score on the GRE Analytical Writing component.  \* 3.0 overall undergraduate GPA.  \* Minimum of 18 hours of science courses at the undergraduate level, preferably in the geosciences.  \* One-page statement of research interests.  \* Written evidence of an agreement from a graduate faculty member in the Department of Geography and Geology willing to supervise the proposed research project.  \* Passing grade (C or higher) in appropriate undergraduate coursework to support the thesis research program. For example, students pursuing a thesis project in GIS-related topics are required to have passed an introductory GIS course and a Spatial Data Analysis course at the undergraduate level. Students should take preparatory courses in the summer semester before joining the Geoscience program if they have not previously taken these courses. If taken as a graduate student, a grade of "B" or better is required. Students should consult with their proposed thesis advisor on appropriate preparation coursework before full admission is granted.  Program Core 15 hours  GEOS 500 Research & Literacy 4  GEOS 502 Research Methods 1  GEOS 520 Statistical Methods 4  GEOS 599 Research Thesis 6  Concentration Electives\*\* 15 hours  15 hours of graduate coursework selected from the following electives **appropriate to support the thesis research project** and approved by the thesis director. **Students may select appropriate courses from the list below**:  **GEOG 451G Geography of Kentucky 3**  **GEOL 415G Environmental Geology 3**  **GEOL 440G Hydrogeology 3**  **GEOL 445G Aqueous Geochemistry 3**  **GEOL 465G Geophysics 3**  **GEOL 470G Tectonics 3**  **GEOL 485G Fossil Fuels 3**  **Note that no more than 9 hours of the above courses can be used in the M.S. Geoscience program.**  **GEOL 511 Dynamic Earth 3**  **GEOS 501 Geoscience & Development 3**  **GEOS 502 Research Methods 3**  **GEOS 505 Biogeography 3**  **GEOS 506 Environmental Seminar 1**  **GEOS 507 Geography for Teachers 3**  **GEOS 510 Research Topics 1-3**  **(Repeatable for a maximum of 6 hours)**  **GEOS 515 Remote Sensing Apps 4**  **GEOS 517 Spatial Databases 3**  **GEOS 521 Seminar Geomorphology 3**  **GEOS 522 Seminar Physical Climatology 3**  **GEOS 523 Geoprocessing and GIS Apps 4**  **GEOS 524 Meteorology for Teachers 3**  **GEOS 525 Seminar Political Geography 3**  **GEOS 526 Applied Met and Climate 3**  **GEOS 530 Seminar Cultural Geography 3**  **GEOS 531 Seminar Dynamic Met I 3**  **GEOS 533 Seminar Synoptic Met 3**  **GEOS 534 Historic Preservation Planning 3**  **GEOS 535 Seminar Dynamic Met II 3**  **GEOS 537 Seminar Mesoscale Met 3**  **GEOS 538 Seminar Physical Met 3**  **GEOS 539 Seminar Atmospheric Model 3**  **GEOS 540 Advanced Regional Geog 3**  **GEOS 543 Environmental Sci Concepts 3**  **GEOS 544 Practical Environment Ethics 3**  **GEOS 550 Advanced Economic Geog 3**  **GEOS 555 Global Climate Change 3**  **GEOS 559 Hydrological Fluid Dynamics 3**  **GEOS 566 Karst Geoscience 3**  **GEOS 571 Applied Nat. Res. Management 3**  **GEOS 575 GIS Analysis and Modeling 3**  **GEOS 576 GIS Programming 3**  **GEOS 577 Special Topics in GIS 3**  **GEOS 580 Seminar Urban Geography 3**  **GEOS 584 Applied Environment Planning 3**  **GEOS 585 Advanced Population Geog 3**  **GEOS 587 Environmental Law & Policy 3**  **GEOS 590 Experimental Design 3**  **GEOS 595 Practicum 1-6**  **(Repeatable for a maximum of 6 hrs)**  **GEOS 600 Matriculation 1**  **(Repeatable for a maximum of 6 hrs)**  \*\* A maximum of six hours of advisor-approved electives that are consistent with the student’s Research Focus may be selected from other departments. |
| PROGRAM TOTAL 30 hours | PROGRAM TOTAL 30 hours |

**4. Rationale:** Removing the areas of concentration and requiring students to select 15 hours of

electives in consultation with the thesis advisor will eliminate multiple appeals for substitutions.

As an interdisciplinary program, most students take courses across the sub-disciplinary specialty

areas. This change will also allow the graduate faculty to manage graduate-course offerings and

graduate workload more efficiently and effectively. In addition, students who do not

need extensive GIS applications in their research, are allowed to select statistical methods course(s) from another departments (Sociology, Chemistry, Math, etc.) that better supports their research methodology.

**5. Proposed term for implementation:** Spring 2018

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Department | 2/24/2017 |
| College Curriculum Committee | 3/8/2017 |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | 3/27/2017 |
| Graduate Council |  |
| University Senate |  |

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**Revise a Course**

**(Action)**

Date: February 24, 2017

Ogden College of Science and Engineering, Department of Geography and Geology

Contact Person: Jun Yan, jun.yan@wku.edu, 5-4555

1. **Identification of course**
   1. Course prefix (subject area) and number: GEOS 523
   2. Course title: Urban GIS Applications

1. **Proposed change(s):** 
   1. course number:
   2. course title: Geoprocessing and GIS Applications
   3. credit hours:
   4. grade type:
   5. prerequisites:
   6. corequisites:
   7. course description:
   8. other:
2. **Rationale for revision of course:** The course covers how GIS can be used to solve a variety of real-world problems. Urban applications are only a part of the course discussions. The current course title is too narrow and does not describe all course content.

1. **Term of implementation:** Winter 2018
2. **Dates of committee approvals:**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Department of Geography and Geology | 2/24/2017 |
| College Curriculum Committee | 3/8/2017 |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | 3/27/2017 |
| Graduate Council |  |
| University Senate |  |

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**Revise a Course**

**(Action)**

Date: February 24, 2017

Ogden College of Science and Engineering, Department of Geography and Geology

Contact Person: David Keeling [david.keeling@wku.edu](mailto:david.keeling@wku.edu) 5-4555

1. **Identification of course**
   1. Course prefix (subject area) and number: GEOS 534
   2. Course title: Historic Preservation Planning
2. **Proposed change(s):** 
   1. course number:
   2. course title:
   3. credit hours:
   4. grade type:
   5. prerequisites:
   6. corequisites:
   7. course description:
   8. other:
3. **Rationale for revision of course:** Removing prerequisite of GEOG 434G, which has been deleted.
4. **Term of implementation:** Spring 2018
5. **Dates of committee approvals:**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Department | 2/24/2017 |
| College Curriculum Committee | 3/8/2017 |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | 3/27/2017 |
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**Revise a Course**

**(Action)**

Date: February 24, 2017

Ogden College of Science and Engineering, Department of Geography and Geology

Contact Person: David Keeling [david.keeling@wku.edu](mailto:david.keeling@wku.edu) 5-4555

1. **Identification of course**
   1. Course prefix (subject area) and number: GEOS 580
   2. Course title: SEMINAR URBAN GEOGRAPHY
2. **Proposed change(s):** 
   1. course number:
   2. course title:
   3. credit hours:
   4. grade type:
   5. prerequisites:
   6. corequisites:
   7. course description: Analysis of problems faced by global cities
   8. other:
3. **Rationale for revision of course:** Focusing only on American cities limited the scope and extent of the course. Including examples from global cities makes the course more valuable and applicable.
4. **Term of implementation:** Spring 2018
5. **Dates of committee approvals:**

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| Department | 2/24/2017 |
| College Curriculum Committee | 3/8/2017 |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | 3/27/2017 |
| Graduate Council |  |
| University Senate |  |

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**Create a New Course**

**(Action)**

Date:8/31/2016

College: Ogden College of Science & Engineering

Department: Computer Science

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**1.** **Proposed course:**

* 1. Course prefix (subject area) and number: CS 535
  2. Course title: Cloud Computing
  3. Abbreviated course title: Cloud Computing  
     (maximum of 30 characters or spaces)
  4. Credit hours: 3
  5. Variable credit : No
  6. Repeatable: No
  7. Grade type: Standard Letter Grade
  8. Prerequisites:
  9. Corequisites: None
  10. Course description: This course will provide insight on the current trends of local and public cloud computing systems. Three distinct design layers will be covered: Infrastructure-as-a-Service (IaaS), Platform-as-a-Service (PaaS), and Software-as-a-Service (SaaS). Topics include, but are not limited to, cloud computing architectures, virtual resource management, green clouds, data management, and user interface.
  11. Course equivalency: None

**2. Rationale:**

* 1. Reason for developing the proposed course:

Cloud computing has rapidly become the most used architecture of major public resource vendors such as Amazon, Microsoft, and Google. Cloud architectures provide flexibility, scalability, and autonomous resource provisioning based on user demands. These architectures also allow higher utilization of current hardware due to their multitenant nature. Some current cloud computing statistics:

* $180 billion spent by users on cloud technologies, so far.
* $80 billion in cloud equipment, so far.
* Cloud persistent storage among top resources wanted by industry/users.
* 45% growth predicted in cloud technologies over next 5 years.
* Over 65% of industry utilizes cloud technologies in some way.
* Over 50% of industry hosts sensitive data in the cloud.
* Data center traffic forecast to increase over 8 ZB per year by 2017.
* 59% of all new cloud computing services originates in North America.

This course will serve as a fundamental course in the interdisciplinary and prominent field of cloud computing. Students will learn to combine tools and techniques from many computer science fields such as computer architecture, computer networking, operating systems, software engineering, and web/user interface development.

* 1. Relationship of the proposed course to other courses at WKU:

Content covered in the new course will rely on background areas such as CS 360 software engineering, CS 381 computer networks, CS 325 computer architecture, CS 425 operating systems, and CS 315 introduction to Unix. However, this new course focuses on combining these fields for generation of IaaS, PaaS, and SaaS cloud architectures and applications.

* 1. Relationship of the proposed course offered in other departments:

There is currently no similar course offered by in other departments

* 1. Relationship of the proposed course offered in other institutions:

A number of institutions offer undergraduate and graduate courses with similar topics.

University of Alabama offers a graduate course on cloud computing:

CS 691 Cloud Computing.

Carnegie Mellon University offers a graduate course on cloud computing: CS 15-319 Cloud Computing

University of Texas at Dallas offers a graduate course on cloud computing: CS 6343 Cloud Computing

**3. Discussion of proposed course:**

* 1. Schedule type: C
  2. Learning Outcomes:

By the end of the course, students should understand concepts of:

* Infrastructure-as-a-Service (IaaS)
* Platform-as-a-Service (PaaS)
* Software-as-a-Service (SaaS)
* Public and Local Cloud Architectures
* Open Source Clouds (IaaS): OpenStack, CloudStack, Eucalyptus, OpenNebula
* PaaS: Map Reduce Architecture, Hadoop
* Virtualized Resource Management
* Resource Replication and Interfacing
* Virtual Machine Load Balancing and Consolidation
* Green Clouds
  1. Content outline:
* Understanding Cloud Computing
  + What is cloud computing – architecture levels
* Infrastructure-as-a-Service
  + Methods and techniques for resource sharing
  + Hypervisors and virtualization
  + Public and Private IaaS architectures
* Platform-as-a-Service
  + Software and virtual appliance frameworks
  + Software deployment
  + Case studies
* Software-as-a-Service
  + User interface
  + Application development
* Big data and data storage
  + Big data technology
  + Manipulation of data using Hadoop and MapReduce
  + Data availability and replication techniques
  1. Student expectations and requirements: basic knowledge of computer architecture, socket programming, OS fundamentals, and software development.
  2. Tentative texts and course materials:

Cloud Computing: Architected. John Rhoton and Risto Haukioja  
ISBN: 9780956355614

**4. Budget implications:**

* 1. Proposed method of staffing: Current staffing is sufficient

4.2 Special equipment, materials, or library resources needed: Cloud/Cluster equipment, such as non-production level compute, storage, and admin servers. Network equipment: switch, router.

**5. Term for implementation:** Spring 2018

**6. Dates of committee approvals:**

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| --- | --- |
| Department | 02/23/2016 |
| College Graduate Curriculum Committee | 3/8/2017 |
| Graduate Council Curriculum Committee | 3/27/2017 |
| Graduate Council |  |
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**GCC Members Present: (members absent in yellow)**

**All absent members presented their comments to the Chair, GCCC prior to the March 27th meeting.**

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