

TO: Larry Williams, Chair
Undergraduate Committee

FROM: Andrea Burrige, Chair
Degree Programs and CBM003 Subcommittee – 1

SUBJECT: Subcommittee Report

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The Degree Programs/CBM003 Subcommittee 1 met on March 20 at 3:00 pm in room 404 Farish Hall.

Members present: Charles Peters, Richard Kasschau, Andrea Burrige
Guests: Norma Olvera, COE; Jerry Jackson, CLASS

CBM Submissions

Subject to minor editorial changes, the Subcommittee recommends approval of the following new course.

1. UC 12211 12F: GIS 2350: Introduction to Global and International Studies

Degree Plan Changes

UC 12249 13S: Changes to Liberal Studies Catalog Language

Background: Experience with students in the last 2.5 years has shown that students are interested in a wide range of “third” minors from outside of CLASS. These minors have required formal petitioning, except for the Global Business minor in Bauer, which is being phased out as a Bauer minor program. This proposal would approve “third” minors more broadly. In addition, this proposal clarifies the Practicum requirements and alters language concerning ILAS 4350 that permitted petition for an alternative capstone

1. **Old Language concerning minors:** Minors outside of CLASS that may count toward the Liberal Studies Major include the Global Business minor from the Bauer College of Business, with other Minor programs to be considered upon approval of the office of the Dean of Class.

New Language: Minors outside of CLASS that may count toward the Liberal Studies Major include programs *from Architecture, Business, Education, Engineering, Hotel and Restaurant Management, Natural Sciences &*

Mathematics, and Technology, upon consultation with the Director of Liberal Studies.

2. In requirement #4:

Old Language: A 3 hour “Liberal Studies Senior Seminar” (ILAS 4350); students may petition to substitute a Capstone course in one of their Minors for this requirement upon approval by the Director of Liberal Studies and the office of the Dean of CLASS.

New Language: A 3 hour “Liberal Studies Senior Seminar” (ILAS 4350);

3. In requirement #5, (the practicum requirement)

Old Language: A practicum is required from one of the alternatives as follows: a) an approved UH credit-bearing study abroad program, b) an approved UH credit-bearing internship program or public service project, c) an approved UH credit bearing research project.

New Language: A practicum is required from one of the alternatives as follows: a) an approved UH credit-bearing study abroad program, b) an approved UH credit-bearing internship program or public service project, c) an approved UH credit bearing research project, **including a significant research capstone project or honors thesis.**

The Subcommittee recommends approval.

UC 12250 13S: Changes to the National Security Studies [NSSM] and Values, Law, and Policy [VLPM] Minors:

Rationale: The changes to the NSSM minors consists of several minor corrections correction course numbers changed by recent CBMs and adding two courses to the required listings to fill gaps, facilitating timely graduation. The Values, Law, and Policy Minor requires a major rewrite, discussed below. The changes requested are primarily caused by courses initially listed many years ago that are no longer taught by POLS and other departments. The small number of courses available on the approved lists has made it difficult for students to have a fair variety of courses from which to select, and delayed graduation. Although the goals of the VLP Minor have not substantially changed, because the goal of many of the students wishing to take the Minor has changed, the title of the Minor was modified to reflect the students' goals. Additionally, courses no longer taught by the various departments should be removed and new courses added to correct the course deficiencies that currently exist in the minor.

The following changes are proposed to the NSSM minor:

- a. Update course number changes previously added to the undergraduate catalog.

- b. Add the following courses: POLS 4397 [Capstone for NSS], to be assigned a new number, to Capstone Courses category; and AFSC 3302 [Leadership] to Applications and Skills category.
- c. Other minor language changes were in language.

The following changes are proposed to the VLP minor:

- a. Change the title of the Minor from Values, Law, and Policy to Law, Values, and Policy.
- b. Reorganize the categories to: Values; Political and Public Communications; Social Theory; and Legal Issues and Policies. Previous categories were Basic Requirements, Social Science Theory, Law, and Public Policy. Students complete courses in each category.
- c. Remove the following courses: SOC 3311 and ECON 3332, 3377, 3386, 4321, 4391.
- d. Add the following courses: COMM 3337, 3339, 3356; ENGL 3340; PHIL 1321, 2321, 3357; POLS 3355, 3357, 3358, 3359, 3385, 3390, 4344; PSYC 2380; SOC 3310.

The subcommittee recommends approval.

UC 12270 13S: Proposal to create a BSH/MPH Dual Degree Program (4+1):

Rationale: The Dual Degree between UH and UT School of Public Health offers outstanding students the benefits of pursuing a Bachelor’s Degree in Health at UH, beginning their graduate studies toward an MPH at UTSPH during the senior year, and completing both degrees during a 5-year period of study.

Requirements:

1. Interested students will complete a UH Bachelor of Science in Health with a Public Health Specialization. Students will also complete 45 credit hours at UTSPH. Of those 45 credit hours, up to 21 credit hours of UTSPH courses taken during the student’s fourth year at UH will be counted toward meeting the BSH/MPH degree. A total of 145-146 credit hours are required to complete the dual degree program. The BSH will require 120 credit hours.
2. Students admitted to the UH BSH program must complete four semesters of the BSH degree program (63 hours) and obtain an overall UH 3.5 cumulative GPA or greater to apply to the dual degree program. Students then take the GRE and apply to the dual degree program.

The Subcommittee recommends approval.

UC 12272 13S: Proposal to add approved courses to the India Studies Minor

Rationale: This is a proposal to add relevant courses to the India Studies Minor. Courses to be added include the following:

- 1) ANTH 2395: Selected Topics: Introduction to Global Studies
or CCS 2394: Selected Topics: Introduction to Global Studies
(Either ANTH 2395 or CCS 2394; only one will count toward the minor)
- 2) HIST 2363: Moderns Civilizations: South Asia Since 1600
- 3) HIST 3391: Africa and the Indian Ocean World
- 4) POLS 4308: Social Analysis: The Individual in Society
Or PSYC 4308: Social Analysis: The Individual in Society
(Either POLS 4308 or PSYC 4308; only one will count toward the minor)
- 5) RELS 2350: Introduction to Islam (WID)
- 6) RELS 2360: Introduction to Buddhism (WID)
- 7) WCL 2351: World Cultures through Literature and the Arts
- 8) WCL 3355: Women East and West: Global Representations of
Female Divinities
- 9) ARTH 2394: Selected Topics in Art History: Art and Architecture of India
- 10) ARTH 3394: Selected Topics in Art History: Art and Architecture of India
- 11) INTB 2297 Selected Topics: Capstone Seminar on Globalization

The subcommittee recommends approval.

UC 12273 13S: Proposal to delete unnecessary courses from the Undergraduate Catalog (ANTH).

The department of Comparative Cultural Studies would like to remove the following courses from the catalog. They have not been taught in over 20 years.

- 1) ANTH 333³~~8~~: Economic Anthropology
- 2) ANTH 337³~~4~~: Inca Anthropology.

The subcommittee recommends approval.

UC 12274 13S: Proposal to delete obsolete courses from the Undergraduate Catalog (ECON)

The department of Economics would like to remove the following courses from the catalog. They are not current.

- 1) ECON 3301: Economics and the Social Order
- 2) ECON 3372: International Economic Policy and Institutions
- 3) ECON 4350: Economics and Decision Theory
- 4) ECON 4362: Computational Economics
- 5) ECON 4369: Regional Economics
- 6) ECON 4371: Monetary Economics

The subcommittee recommends approval.