

UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE FORMS

Academic Program Approval

This form is a routing document for the approval of new and revised academic programs. Proposing department should complete this form. For more information, call the Faculty Senate Office at 831-2921.

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Action: Revise minor
(Example: add major/minor/concentration, delete major/minor/concentration, revise major/minor/concentration, academic unit name change, request for permanent status, policy change, etc.)

Effective term 10F
(use format 04F, 05W)

Current degree BA
(Example: BA, BACH, BACI, HBA, EDD, MA, MBA, etc.)

Proposed change leads to the degree of: BA
(Example: BA, BACH, BACJ, HBA, EDD, MA, MBA, etc.)

Proposed name: _____
Proposed new name for revised or new major / minor / concentration / academic unit (if applicable)

Revising or Deleting:

Undergraduate major / Concentration: _____
(Example: Applied Music – Instrumental degree BMAS)

Undergraduate minor: Japanese
(Example: African Studies, Business Administration, English, Leadership, etc.)

Graduate Program Policy statement change: _____
(Must attach your Graduate Program Policy Statement)

Graduate Program of Study: _____
(Example: Animal Science: MS Animal Science: PHD Economics: MA Economics: PHD)

Graduate minor / concentration: _____

Note: all graduate studies proposals must include an electronic copy of the Graduate Program Policy Document, highlighting the changes made to the original policy document.

List new courses required for the new or revised curriculum. How do they support the overall program objectives of the major/minor/concentrations)?
(Be aware that approval of the curriculum is dependent upon these courses successfully passing through the Course Challenge list. If there are no new courses enter "None")

None.

Explain, when appropriate, how this new/revised curriculum supports the 10 goals of undergraduate education: <http://www.ugs.udel.edu/gened/>

Identify other units affected by the proposed changes:
(Attach permission from the affected units. If no other unit is affected, enter "None")

None.

Describe the rationale for the proposed program change(s):
(Explain your reasons for creating, revising, or deleting the curriculum or program.)

These changes will ensure that Japanese minors achieve a higher level of proficiency in the language, in line with the minor requirements of other major languages in the Department of Foreign Languages & Literatures. The proposed changes will strengthen the minor by both tightening and raising requirements for it. Students will have to complete more coursework in the Japanese language--a total of 18 credits at the 200 level and above, with 3 credits required at the 400 level. Currently, many students who minor in JAPN do not take a language course at the 400 level, and many students earn the minor by taking only 15 credits (or less) of Japanese language courses above the 100 level because there are several Japan-related courses taught in English (JAPN 204, JAPN 208, and two Japan-related FLL courses) that may count toward the minor.

Program Requirements:

(Show the new or revised curriculum as it should appear in the Course Catalog. If this is a revision, be sure to indicate the changes being made to the current curriculum and **include a side-by-side comparison** of the credit distribution before and after the proposed change.)

Current description of JAPN minor:

Japanese: 18 credits; including 15 credits in JAPN courses at the 200-level or above, with at least 6 of those credits at the 300-level or above, plus 3 credits in a Japan-related FLLT course.

Revised description of JAPN minor:

JAPANESE: 18 credits in JAPN courses taught in Japanese at the 200 level and above, including 6 credits at the 300 level and 3 credits at the 400 level.

What changes are being made to the current curriculum:

(1) The revised version of the Japanese minor requires the completion of one 4XX-level JAPN course. Currently, a 4XX-level JAPN course is not required.

(2) Requiring 3 credits in a related FLL course taught in English is being deleted.

Side-by-side comparison of credit distribution before and after proposed change:

Before:

JAPN 3xx 6
 JAPN 2xx, 3xx, 4xx 9
 FLLT Japan-related Course 3

After:

JAPN 4xx 3
 JAPN 3xx 6
 JAPN 2xx 9

ROUTING AND AUTHORIZATION: (Please do not remove supporting documentation.)

Department Chairperson Richard A. Zipse Date 6/29/09
 Dean of College George Watson Date 22 Sept 2009
 Chairperson, College Curriculum Committee _____ Date _____
 Chairperson, Senate Com. on UG or GR Studies _____ Date _____
 Chairperson, Senate Coordinating Com. _____ Date _____
 Secretary, Faculty Senate _____ Date _____
 Date of Senate Resolution _____ Date to be Effective _____
 Registrar _____ Program Code _____ Date _____
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 Board of Trustee Notification _____ Date _____