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Date: 9/4/13
Action: Revise the Social Welfare Concentration within the Sociology BA major
Effective term: 14F
Current degree: Sociology Major BA
Proposed change leads to the degree of: Sociology Major BA (Note: No change in degree, I am revising a concentration with a major)
Proposed name: Social Welfare Concentration (Note: No change in concentration name)
Revising or Deleting:

Undergraduate major / Concentration: Sociology Major BA with a Concentration in Social Welfare

List new courses required for the new or revised curriculum. How do they support the overall program objectives of the major/minor/concentrations?)?

None, all courses have been approved and gone through the course challenge list. However, revisions to course descriptions and required prerequisites for some of the required courses are in progress.

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

The revised concentration provides a sociological introduction to international and national government social policy, NGO and non-profit social service provision in the international and local context, and social services at the national, state, and local levels. There is strong emphasis on administering and evaluating programs, with particular attention paid to issues of social inequality and social justice.

The revision, as was the original concentration, supports the 10 goals of undergraduate education. It teaches students about social policy around the world (Goal #10), teaches students to think critically and ethically about problems in the social welfare system related to inequality and social justice (Goals #2, 3, and 9), and through its emphasis on evaluation it helps students develop skills in communication and quantitative reasoning (Goal #1). In addition, it covers literature in an interdisciplinary way (Goal #5 and 6) and allows students to integrate their classroom knowledge with practical knowledge learned in the practicum (Goal #7 and #8).

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

No other units are directly affected by the proposed changes.
Describe the rationale for the proposed program change(s):
(Explain your reasons for creating, revising, or deleting the curriculum or program.)

This revision includes replacing one required course (SOCI 348) from the concentration with a different course (SOCI 340). Some of the material usually taught in SOCI 348 will be integrated into SOCI 341, which has not been removed from the concentration. This revision serves to broaden the focus of the concentration from a narrower focus on training social workers to a broader focus that prepares students for a wider array of professional and academic possibilities. In addition, the list of recommended electives in sociology has been revised and expanded to reflect changing course offerings and focus in the department. Finally, the list of related coursework has been changed to identify departments that offer related courses, as opposed to identifying individual classes that students should take, in order to take into account changing course offerings in other departments.

This revision is motivated by both practical and pedagogical reasons. Practically, the previous advisor to the program, Dr. Jeff Davidson, has retired and a new advisor, Dr. Eric Tranby, has replaced him. The social welfare concentration, as originally designed, reflected Dr. Davidson’s expertise and interest in social work and the American social welfare system. The revision of the social welfare concentration reflects Dr. Tranby’s expertise and interest in comparative social policy, program evaluation, and social inequality.

Pedagogically, this revision reflects the continuing diversification in the field of social welfare. Social workers and social service providers continue to do traditional social work, but are also increasingly doing work for non-governmental organizations in the U.S. and abroad, are engaging with large scale communities and social policy, and are taking seriously the need to evaluate the effectiveness of their work. This revision reflects this changing field in order to prepare students to a wide variety of entry level jobs in social service delivery or non-profit management and administration or for graduate programs in social work, sociology, public policy administration, or related fields.

Program Requirements:
The revised concentration is below. See the supporting documentation for a side by side comparison.

DEGREE: BACHELOR OF ARTS
MAJOR: SOCIOLOGY
CONCENTRATION: SOCIAL WELFARE

CURRICULUM

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS
SOCI 201 Introduction to Sociology 3
SOCI 301 Introduction of Sociological Research 4
SOCI 312 Theories of Society 3
SOCI 340 Global Policy and Inequality 3
SOCI 341 Welfare and Society 3
SOCI 441 Social Welfare Practicum and Seminar. 4
This course is required but does not count as part of the thirty-one Sociology credits for the major.

Any five courses in Sociology 15
No more than 9 Credits at the 200-level. At least 6 credits must be at the 400-level or higher, but cannot be fulfilled with 400-level directed study courses (SOCI 466) or internship courses (SOCI 464, SOCI 410, SOCI 412, SOCI 441, SOCI 442). The following courses are recommended:
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SOCI 308  The Family
SOCI 311  Sociology of Health Care
SOCI 313  Mental Health and Well-Being
SOCI 349  Aging and Society
SOCI 360  Sociology of Religion
SOCI 361  Racial Inequality
SOCI 407  Sociology of Sex and Gender
SOCI 415  Race, Class and Gender
SOCI 418  Race, Gender and Poverty

Eleven additional credits of related work are required: 11
Related work will be selected in consultation with the student’s advisor. Departments offering courses filling the needs of social welfare concentration students include Human Development and Family Studies, Psychology, Criminal Justice, Public Policy, Organization and Community Leadership, Education, Political Science, Economics, Black American Studies, and Women’s Studies.

ELECTIVES
After required courses are completed, sufficient elective credits must be taken to meet the minimum credit requirement for the degree.

CREDITS TO TOTAL A MINIMUM OF 124

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

Department Chairperson  
Dean of College  
Chairperson, College Curriculum Committee  
Chairperson, Senate Com. on UG or GR Studies  
Chairperson, Senate Coordinating Com.  
Secretary, Faculty Senate  
Date of Senate Resolution  
Date to be Effective  
Registrar  
Program Code  
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Vice Provost for Academic Affairs & International Programs  
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Board of Trustee Notification  
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### CURRENT

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PSYC 301  Personality
PSYC 325  Child Psychology
PSYC 333  Psychology of Women
PSYC 334  Abnormal Psychology
HDFS 235  Survey in Child and Family Services
HDFS 332  Counseling Theories  or
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