

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. A [checklist](#) is available to assist in the preparation of a proposal. For more information, call the Faculty Senate Office at 831-2921.

Submitted by: ___Sue McNeil___ phone number ___320 832 6578___

Department: Disaster Science and Management Program, School of Public Policy and Administration email address___smcneil@udel.edu

Date: September 21, 2012

Action: ___Revise Disaster Science and Management (DISA) PhD Program

(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 **Fall, 2013 (13F)**
(use format 04F, 05W)

Current degree **PhD in Disaster Science and Management**
(Example: BA, BACH, BACJ, HBA, EDD, MA, MBA, etc.)

Proposed change leads to the degree of: No change

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Proposed name: No change

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: _____
(Example: African Studies, Business Administration, English, Leadership, etc.)

Graduate Program Policy statement change: PhD in Disaster Science and Management (attached)

(Must attach your Graduate Program Policy Statement)

Graduate Program of Study: Revise PhD in Disaster Science and Management
(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”)

UAPP 808 Qualitative Methods for Program Evaluation was substituted for EDUC 850 – Qualitative Research in Education as the UAPP 808 will now be taught on a regular basis and this is the more appropriate course.

Course number and name changes:

Current	New
DISA 651 International Aspects of Disasters	DISA 651 International Comparative Analysis of Disasters
DISA 867 Practicum	DISA 857 Practicum
UAPP 819 Management Decision Making	UAPP 698 Management Decision Making
UAPP 815 Public Management Statistics	UAPP 704 Statistics for Policy Analysis
GEOG 667 Geographic Information Systems	GEOG 670 Geographic Information Systems

Courses that were no longer offered were eliminated have been deleted.

CIEG 641 Risk Analysis was added to the list of methods classes.

Supply support letter from the Library, Dean, and/or Department Chair if needed
(all new majors/minors will need a support letter from the appropriate administrator.)

No change.

Supply a resolution for all new majors/programs; name changes of colleges, departments, degrees; transfer of departments from one college to another; creation of new departments; requests for permanent status. [See example of resolutions.](#)

None

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

Not applicable

Identify other units affected by the proposed changes:

(Attach permission from the affected units. If no other unit is affected, enter “None”)

No other unit is affected.

Describe the rationale for the proposed program change(s):

(Explain your reasons for creating, revising, or deleting the curriculum or program.)

Changes in course numbering and names, elimination of course in other departments, and retirements and additions to the faculty necessitated the changes to courses.

Changes in the GRE scoring necessitated the changes to admission criteria.

The evaluation was added at the request of the graduate college.

The program By-Laws were eliminated from the document and are now are stand alone document.

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.) [See example of side by side.](#)

Old Requirement

REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION

Students will be admitted to the program based on enrollment availability and their ability to meet the following minimum recommended entrance requirements.

Applicants to the PhD Program must have

- MS or equivalent degree from an accredited college or university
- A recommended GRE score of 1050 on math and verbal sections combined
- A graduate GPA of 3.5 or higher.
- Written statement of goals and objectives (the personal statement) that clearly identifies the applicant's research and curriculum interests and explains how admission to the program will facilitate his or her professional objectives.

Admission to the graduate program is competitive. Those who meet stated minimum requirements are not guaranteed admission, nor are those who fail to meet all of those requirements necessarily precluded from admission if they offer appropriate strengths.

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GRE scores in the sixty-fifth percentile or better for the verbal section and fiftieth percentile or better for the quantitative section, and a score of 4.0 or above on the analytical section are recommended.

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

Department Chairperson _____ Date _____

Dean of College _____ Date _____

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 _____

Vice Provost for Academic Affairs & International Programs _____ Date _____

Provost _____ Date _____

Board of Trustee Notification _____ Date _____

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