

# 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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**Date:** 01/02/13

**Action:** Policy changes given course revisions

(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:** 13S

(use format 04F, 05W)

**Current degree:** DPT

(Example: BA, BACH, BACJ, HBA, EDD, MA, MBA, etc.)

**Proposed change leads to the degree of:** N/A

(Example: BA, BACH, BACJ, HBA, EDD, MA, MBA, etc.)

**Proposed name:** N/A

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:** Revising  
(**Must attach** your Graduate Program Policy Statement)

**Graduate Program of Study:** DPT  
(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”)

Course Revisions – reviewed and accepted by College Curriculum Committee

- PHYT 812 (Pediatric Integrated Clinical Experience) – change in grading methodology
  - Change from pass/fail to letter grade
- PHYT 832 (Clinical Internship II – Outpatient, 3 credits, 6 weeks – pass/fail) – eliminate and redistribute credits to other internships
- PHYT 831 – change of course name / number of credits and weeks / grading
  - Change name from Clinical Internship I – Acute Care (3 credits / 6 weeks / pass/fail) to Full-time Clinical Experience – Medically Complex (4 credits / 10 weeks / letter graded)
- PHYT 833 – change of course name / number of credits and weeks / grading
  - Change name from Clinical Internship III – Rehabilitation (3 credits / 8 weeks / pass/fail) to Full-time Clinical Experience – Rehabilitation (4 credits / 10 weeks / letter graded)
- PHYT 834 – change of course name / number of credits / grading
  - Change name from Clinical Internship IV – Elective (3 credits / 8 weeks / pass/fail) to Full-time Clinical Experience – Elective (4 credits / 10 weeks / letter graded)

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

Not undergraduate courses

**Identify other units affected by the proposed changes:**

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

N/A

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

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

- Curriculum was redesigned to place full-time clinical internships at the end of the didactic curriculum. This follows the recommendations set forth from the American Physical Therapy Association.
- The Commission on Accreditation of Physical Therapy Programs requires 30 full-time weeks of clinical experience. That, along with requests from our clinical partners to have longer clinical internships, supports the change in number of weeks of each externship.
- Change to letter grading for all clinical experiences (full-time and integrated) provides greater standardization for evaluating student clinical performance and allows for greater differentiation amongst students.
- Change in name from Clinical Internship to Full-time Clinical Experience follows the recommendations set forth from the Academic Council for Physical Therapist Education.

Program Policy Changes directly reflect the academic course changes as noted above.

**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.)

**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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