REQUEST FOR CHANGE IN MASTERS DEGREE PROGRAM

Program: Communication

Department/Division: M.A. Program in Communication (interunit program)

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Degree Title (Old): Major (New):

CIP Code: HEGIS Code:

Accrediting Agency (if applicable):

I. CHANGE(S) IN PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

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<td>7. Distribution of course levels required (At least one half must be at 600+ level &amp; two thirds must be in organized courses)</td>
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* If there is only one plan for the degree, plans involving a thesis (or the equivalent in studio work, etc.) should be discussed under Plan A and those not involving a thesis should be discussed under Plan B.

NOTE: To the extent that proposed changes in 5, 6 or 8 above involve the addition of courses in other programs, please submit correspondence from the other program(s) pertaining to the availability of such courses to your students.

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11. Any other requirements not covered above
Change admission deadline from October 1 and February 1 to February 1 only.

II. RATIONALE FOR CHANGE(S)
If the rationale involves accreditation requirements, please include specific references to those requirements.
Allows us to consider all applicants at one time. We have generally received few applicants for October 1. We do not admit new students for the spring semester (no change in policy).

Signatures of Approval:

[Signatures]

Department Chair
Dean of the College

Date
[Signature]

Date of Notice to the Faculty

*Undergraduate Council
Date

*University Studies
Date

*Graduate Council
Date

Academic Council for the Medical Center
Date

Senate Council
Date of Notice to University Senate

*If applicable, as provided by the Rules of the University Senate

ACTION OTHER THAN APPROVAL

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Graduate Faculty

The Graduate Program Committee recommends adoption of the following, effective fall 2004:

1. CJT 651 (Communication Theory) is added to the courses required for all doctoral students.

2. The required doctoral curriculum is:
   a. Fall Semester, First Year: CJT 651, CJT 667, and STA 570
   b. Spring Semester, First Year: CJT 631, CJT 645, and CJT 665
   c. Fall Semester, Second Year: CJT 701 and an Advanced Statistics/Methods Course (from approved list)
   d. Spring Semester, Second Year: CJT 790

3. There will only be one deadline for admission, February 1. The October 1 deadline will be eliminated. Students will continue to be accepted for summer and fall admission only.

4. Entering doctoral students can request to waive specific required courses if they submit evidence of equivalent coursework taken and complete a petition at the time of admission. The Review Committee will make the final decision regarding waivers. Students will be required to submit a course syllabus and a copy of the student's primary course project. The grade on the course must be reflected on the student's transcript.

5. Admission procedures for the graduate program will be revised to include:
   a. Enrollment caps for both the masters and doctoral programs determined each fall by the Program Committee.
   b. A waiting list will be implemented as follows:
      1. By April 1, the first round of students accepted must declare their intention to enter the program.
      2. After April 15, the Admissions Committee may extend acceptances to students on the waiting list in order of priority. Those students will have two weeks to declare their intention to enter the program.
      3. As students accept or decline admission and financial aid, the Admissions Committee may or may not decide to extend acceptance to additional students on the waiting list.