Request for Graduate Non-Curricular Changes

PLEASE USE THIS FORM FOR ALL NON-CURRICULAR CHANGE REQUESTS (changes in admission requirements or requirements for graduation, changes in existing or new policies/procedures, changes in program descriptions in catalog, general language changes in catalog).

SIGNATURES may not be required, depending on the nature of the request and from where it originates. Consult Graduate Council Chair.

1. Prepare one paper copy with all signatures and supporting material and forward to the Graduate Council Chair.
2. E-mail one identical PDF copy to the Graduate Council Chair.
3. **The Graduate Council cannot process this application until it has received both the PDF copy and the signed hard copy.**

College: Medicine Dept/Division: Biomedical Sciences

Contact Person: Todd L. Green, Ph.D. Phone: 304-696-3531

Rationale for Request:

The non-thesis Medical Sciences M.S. degree program is for students wanting to improve their application to a health profession school, particularly medical school. Students take courses along with medical students in the first two years' (preclerkship) curriculum at the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine (JCESOM). The preclerkship curriculum at the JCESOM changed in the 2020-21 academic year. To make the Medical Sciences curriculum relevant to students entering the program in 2020 and 2021, the program courses were changed. The catalog change reflects the new curriculum. Because of the change in the curriculum, the joint M.S.-Pharm.D. degree is not an option for students and should be deleted from the catalog. And some minor changes were made to the admissions requirements to differentiate the Medical Sciences M.S. program from the other graduate programs in the School of Medicine.

Signatures: if disapproved at any level, do not sign. Return to previous signer with recommendation attached.
NOTE: all requests may not require all signatures.

Department/Division Chair Bobby Miller Bobby Miller 2021.08.30 11:52:13 -04'00' Date Fall 2021

Registrar Sonja G. Cantrell-Johnson Digitally signed by Sonja G. Cantrell-Johnson Date: 2021.08.30 12:04:42 -04'00' Date 8.30.2021

College Curriculum Committee Chair Todd Green Digitally signed by Todd Green Date: 2021.08.30 11:40:51 -04'00' Date _____
(or Dean if no college curriculum committee)

Graduate Council Chair _____ Date _____

NOTE: please complete information required on the following pages before obtaining signatures above.

1. **Current Catalog Description (if applicable)**: Please insert the catalog description from the current catalog for entries you would like to change.

Attached

2. **Edits to current description**: Attach or insert a PDF copy of the current catalog description prepared in MS WORD with strikethroughs to mark proposed deletions and use the highlight function to indicate proposed new text.

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3. **New Catalog Description**: Provide a “clean” copy of your proposed description without strikethroughs or highlighting. This should be what you are proposing for the new description.

Attached

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Please insert below your proposed change information for the Graduate Council agenda.

Type of change request: Non-curricular catalog change

Department: Biomedical Sciences

Degree program: Medical Sciences non-thesis MS

Effective date (fall/spring/summer, year): Fall 2021