Revision Of Undergraduate And Graduate Programs

Format For Review By University Curriculum Committee (UCC) and Graduate Council.

1. Proposing College / School: Office of the Provost
   Department: Undergraduate Studies

2. Title of Affected Program: Interdisciplinary Studies

3. CIP Code of Affected Program: 30.0000

4. Proposed Implementation Date: Fall, 2015

5. Justification:
(Include a concise, yet adequate rationale for the revision of the program, citing accreditation, assessments (faculty, graduate, and/or external) where applicable.)

Honors College is interested in offering incoming freshmen the opportunity to declare IDSC as their major immediately upon acceptance to Auburn. The Honors College students are exceptional students who want to get an early start on their degree program and some of them do not fit the traditional majors offered. This option would only be available to Honors College students. If this proposal is approved, prospective Honors College students whose desired major is not offered at Auburn would have the option of declaring IDSC as their major as incoming freshmen. IDSC is interested in working with these high-achieving students beginning with their first semester on campus.

6. Current Degree Requirements (Including All Formal Options):
(Provide the current curriculum model for the program, as well as for each formal option.)

Currently students cannot apply to the IDSC program until they have completed 30 hours of coursework. The only change being proposed is that incoming freshmen Honors College students be allowed to declare IDSC as their major.

7. Proposed Degree Requirements (Including All Formal Options):
(Provide the proposed curriculum model for the program, as well as for each formal option.)

The Honors option for IDSC would allow incoming freshman Honors College students to declare IDSC as their major. They would be required to take IDSC 2190 during their first or second semester enrolled in classes at Auburn. They would be required to take ENGL 1120 or 1127 as a co-requisite for IDSC 2190 if they do not have advanced placement credit for the first composition course. The individual plan of study would have to be approved by the Director of IDSC. Honors College students who fail to pass IDSC 2190 with a grade of C or better, who do not meet all GPA requirements of the major, or who fail to submit a plan of study and essay during their first or second semester enrolled at Auburn will be required to declare a new major at the start of their third semester enrolled at Auburn. There are no changes being proposed for non-Honors College students interested in the IDSC program and only Honors College students would be eligible for this early admission option.

8. New Courses Required:
(Indicate which courses -- if any -- are part of the curriculum that are not currently offered.)

No new courses are required.
9. Relationship of Proposed Program to Other Auburn University Programs:
(If the proposed program revision affects any other unit and/or covers material offered by another college/school, attach correspondence with relevant unit.)

Will the program revision affect other program(s) and/or units at Auburn University?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

Will the program revision replace any existing program(s), or specializations / options / concentrations within existing program(s) at Auburn University?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

10. New or Additional Resources / Resource Shifting Required:
(If "yes" for any item, please provide explanation in the space provided below.)

Will additional faculty lines be required?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

Will new or additional space (e.g.: laboratory or classroom) be required?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

Will additional library resources be required?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

Will additional GTA support be required?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

Explanation of or provision for new or additional resources / explanation of program's support or replacement of other programs:

If enough Honors College students take advantage of this option, the Honors College has agreed to fund an Honors College section of IDSC 2190 as they would for all other Honors College courses. If an Honors section is required, classroom space will be needed.

11. Distance Education:
(If Distance Education will be incorporated in the delivery of the proposed program, provide details of implementation, scope, etc.)


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