

UNIVERSITY OF MARY WASHINGTON – PROGRAM CHANGE PROPOSAL

Electronically submit this completed form with attachments in one file to the Chair of the College Curriculum Committee.

COLLEGE (check one):	Arts and Sciences <input type="checkbox"/>	X	Business <input type="checkbox"/>	Education <input type="checkbox"/>
Proposal Submitted By: Jason Davidson			Date Prepared: 6 October 2017	
Department /Program:	PSCI/ Security and Conflict Studies Minor			

Note: for any program change entailing the addition any new courses, or revisions to existing courses, separate proposal for those course actions must also be submitted.

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE EXISTING PROGRAM (check no than one of the following)	
Revise requirements for existing major	<input type="checkbox"/>
Revise requirements for a concentration within an existing major	<input type="checkbox"/>
Revise requirements for an existing degree program	<input type="checkbox"/>
Revise requirements for existing certificate program	<input type="checkbox"/>
Revise requirements for existing minor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Implementation Date: FALL semester, year:	Fall 2018

REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS FOR CHANGES TO EXISTING PROGRAMS:

1. **Rationale statement** (Why is this program change needed? What purposes will it serve?)
2. **Impact Statement** (Provide details about the Library, space, budget, technology, and impacts created by this program change. Supporting statements from the Library, IT Department, etc. evaluating the resource impact and feasibility of the program change are required.)
3. **Catalog Copy** (Provide the *existing* Catalog Description **and** the complete statement of the *proposed* new Catalog description that reflects the program changes)

PROPOSAL TO CREATE NEW PROGRAM NOT REQUIRING STATE ACTION (check no more that one of the following)	
New concentration within existing major	Name: _____
New minor	Name: _____
New Major but NOT a new degree*	Name: _____
*Use ONLY for interdisciplinary majors that will be grouped as part of the "Special Majors/General Liberal Arts and Sciences" degree (CIP Code 24.0101) or reported as a BLS degree (CIP Code 24.0199)	
Implementation Date (semester and year):	_____

REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS FOR NEW PROGRAMS NOT REQUIRING STATE APPROVAL:

1. **Rationale statement** (Why is this additional program needed? What purposes will it serve?)
2. **Impact Statement** (Provide details about the Library, space, budget, technology, staffing and curricular impacts created by this program change. Supporting statements from the Library, IT Department, etc. evaluating the resource impact and feasibility of adding the new program are required.)
3. **Catalog Copy** (Provide the complete Catalog Description for the proposed new program)
4. **Any change that impacts another Department must have a written statement (such as a copy of an email) from the Chair(s) agreeing to the change.**

Department Chair Approval: John M. Kramer Date: 10/6/17

CCC Chair Approval:  Date: 11/09/2017

Dean Approval:  Date: 11/10/17

UCC Chair Approval:  Date: 11/16/17

*Provost Approval: _____ Date: _____

**Required only in cases of proposals for new concentrations, new minors, or new majors that do not involve a new degree*

1. Rationale Statement

Given that the curriculum committee has recently approved the creation of a new course PSCI 315, which is appropriate in content for the Security and Conflict Studies minor, it would be appropriate to include it as an elective in the minor. Doing so would also give students an additional elective option to fulfill their requirements.

2. Impact Statement

I am not aware of any Library, space, budget, or technology impacts created by this program change.

3. Catalog Copy

Existing catalog description of the minor

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Proposed new catalog description of the minor

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