

UNIVERSITY OF MARY WASHINGTON – EXPEDITED COURSE CHANGE PROPOSAL

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Submitted by: Dave Kolar	Date Prepared: 10/31/2017
Department/Discipline(s) and Course Number(s): PSYC 453	
Course Title: Fundamentals of Learning and Motivation	

Type of change (check all applicable):

Number* X Title _____ Description _____ Prerequisites _____ Deletion _____ Cross list** _____

*This course number must be approved by the Office of the Registrar before the proposal is submitted.

**To cross list courses between departments/colleges, there should be two cover sheets submitted with the proposal – one by the chair of each department with signatures from the relevant College Curriculum Committee Chair.

Effective Date: FALL Semester, Year 2018

Current Catalog Entry	Proposed Catalog Entry (suggested length – less than 50 words)
Prerequisite: PSYC 100. Survey of empirical findings and theoretical issues in the analysis of learning and motivation and their interaction in the determination of behavior.	Same as current entry.

JUSTIFICATION (including impact on majors, minors, concentrations, and general education courses within the University curriculum; attach additional pages if required). **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.**

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TRANSITION PLAN (describe how will students who are in Catalogs where the course is required for a major be accommodated; attach additional pages if required)

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Approvals

Department Chair

David W Kolar, Ph.D.

Date: 10/31/17

College Curriculum Chair

Don M Baker

Date: 11/09/2017

Expedited course changes are posted for a 10-class day comment period. If no comments are raised during that time, the proposal becomes final. All expedited proposals approved in this way will be noted on the UCC web site. If comments are raised, the proposal may be reviewed by the UCC and then approved or it may be returned to the CCC for additional deliberation (as required).

Justification:

PSYC 453 used to be PSYC 353 but we changed the number in 2007 to accommodate a new program, the Board Certified Associate Behavioral Analyst (BCABA), that was being developed at UMW. The program required that all courses be 400-level courses. However, we didn't change any of the content of the course or how it was delivered. We just changed the number. The BCABA program no longer exists (see letter of support from College of Education) and we would like to change the number back to 353 (see letter of support from the Registrars Office) because the course truly is a 300-level course and we feel as though some students shy away from taking the course simply because it is 400-level course.

Transition plan:

None necessary.

Letters of support:

FROM REGISTRARS OFFICE FOR COURSE NUMBER:

From: Dave Kolar (dkolar)

Sent: Monday, October 02, 2017 2:50 PM

To: Evie Sherlock (esherloc)

Subject: Course number for Psych

Hi Evie,

Do you assign course numbers? We are looking to change PSYC 453: Fundamentals of Learning and Motivation back to PSYC 353. Many years ago the course was number 353 but we changed the number to 453 because it had to be a 400-level course in order to count for a new degree program that was being developed at the time called the BCABA program (Board Certified Associate Behavior Analyst). That program is no longer being offered and the people in the College of Education say they have no plans to revive it so I would like to change the number back to 353. I think our students shy away from it because of the 400-level number.

The content of the course is the same as it was when we taught it as 353. We only changed the number to 453 because that was necessary for the program. Can we still use the same number (353)?

Thanks

Dave

From: Evie Sherlock (esherloc)

Sent: Tuesday, October 03, 2017 8:46 AM

To: Dave Kolar (dkolar) <dkolar@umw.edu>

Subject: RE: Course number for Psych

I consulted with Brian in our office, and he seems to think that going back to 353 would be okay. He noted that if you decide this is what your department should pursue that you should submit an expedited course change proposal, along with a program change proposal – because 453 is an option for one of the major requirements. He also pointed out that it is also listed as an option for participating in NECC.

FROM COLLEGE OF EDUCATION:

Hi Dave,

As Associate Dean, I also do the work that Chairs would do. So, the Curriculum Change proposal to change PSYC 453 to PSYC 353 is fine with COE.

Sincerely,

Courtney

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