I currently approve course substitutions for my advisees in the concentration this proposal modifies with no approval from my chair, as do all faculty in my department. I don't see why we can't continue to do that. If my department and my college allow me to approve them, why should my chair need to do extra work? I'm not trying to be difficult, but don't want to take away things that I already can do and I don't want to make my chair's life more difficult.

Eric

On Apr 2, 2014, at 2:37 PM, "Hastings, Steven E" <hastings@udel.edu> wrote:

Eric – in lieu of:

Courses from other departments may be approved in consultation with the advisor.

Is “Courses from other departments may be approved by the Department Chair after consultation with the advisor.”

acceptable?

Time is getting very short and I am suggesting language that is likely acceptable to the Committee.

Steve
Hello All,

Attached is my revision to the revision to the concentration. I used track changes so that you can see the revised language. I tried to make it clear that all courses in the listed departments will count as related course work, which it is my understanding is acceptable language as my department uses it for the requirement for the major and is possible for UDSIS to track successfully. I do not want to create a list of specific courses as those courses quickly become out of date and require constant catalog updates, as Janet noted below. I also left in the language about consultation with the advisor as I believe that the main benefit of having these small concentrations is the close connection that students can foster with the advisor (in this case, me), which can lead to greater academic and career success.

I hope this language is now acceptable to the committee.

Best,

Eric

On 3/27/2014 8:47 AM, Hastings, Steven E wrote:
Janet - as I told Eric several weeks ago, this language it too vague:

“Related work will be selected in consultation with the student’s advisor. Departments offering courses filling the needs of social welfare concentration students include Human Development and Family Studies, Psychology, Criminal Justice, Public Policy, Organization and Community Leadership, Education, Political Science, Economics, Black American Studies, and Women’s Studies.”

If it is all courses in these Departments, fine – but it needs to be clear. Or, a list of specific courses with other courses approved by the Department Chair is fine. This language is something in between and does not give clear guide lines to a student.

I understand he is revising the language.

Steve
I am not sure why there is an issue with the openness of the list of the courses in related departments. If I am reading things correctly, the sociology majors are 31 credits of specified courses. 31 credits is a typical number of credits for a major in CAS. The other credits in related work is really an extra requirement. If it were dropped, the major would be approved. Why quibble over how flexible that extra work is or how much it is chosen with consultation with the advisor? The openness of this requirement removes the problem of having a list of specified courses which can quickly become out of date and require constant catalog revisions if the list can't be updated any other way. This is why the Educational Affairs committee did not question the related work aspect of the degree.

On Wed, Mar 26, 2014 at 3:12 PM, Conrad, Catherine M. wrote:

Hi Jan,

Below are the revisions being referred to by Steve Hastings and Eric Tranby, for the BA Major Concentration in Social Welfare.

See my exchange with Eric Tranby.

Steve
Ok, I'll get to work on the revisions and getting the approvals I need.

On 2/3/2014 2:22 PM, Hastings, Steven E wrote:

Yes.
Will do. Does it need to go through the A&S college senate again as well?

On 2/3/2014 2:08 PM, Hastings, Steven E wrote:

Any revision needs to be approved per your Department rules. The easiest way is to submit a revised form and attach an email from any required approvers to it. You do not need to get actual signatures – an email will suffice.

Steve

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Steve,

I would be happy to revise my proposal. How do what me to send that revision to you? Should I just revise the attachment and send that along? Or does it need to be re-approved by my chair and
relevant department committees again before getting to you?

Just trying to follow the correct procedure.

Best,

Eric

On 1/28/2014 3:00 PM, Hastings, Steven E wrote:

Eric - UGS considered your proposal at our recent meeting.

Request to revise the BA Major Concentration in Social Welfare (attachment)

The following issue needs to be addresses before we review it further:

- The section re the 11 elective credits of “related work” is much too broad and vague. Please provide at least a minimum list of specific courses for these 11 credits.

Thanks – Steve

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