

CURRICULUM PROPOSAL FORM 1999-2000

**NON-GENERAL EDUCATION PROCESS A**

**\*DEADLINES:** Deadline dates for 1999/2000 submissions: Regular proposals: October 22, 1999 to be implemented in Fall 2000; Short-Term proposals: December 10, 1999 to be implemented in Fall, 2000; Regular proposals February 18, 2000 to be implemented in Spring, 2001; March 24, 2000 for short-term courses to be implemented in Spring 2001.

6503.420

**PROPOSAL TITLE:** Two Changes: Change in Course Prerequisites  
Course Description Change for  
Accounting Information Systems

**SPONSOR(S):** Carol N. Welsh and George C. Romeo

**DEPARTMENT:** Accounting & Finance

**COLLEGE:** Business

**IF LAS CHECK ONE:**  History/Humanities  Math/Sciences  Social/Behavioral Sciences

Check one:  Undergraduate  Graduate

THE ATTACHED *NON-GEN-ED* PROPOSAL IS BEST DESCRIBED BY THE ITEM(S) CHECKED.

New non-gen-ed course

Short-term non-gen-ed course

Minor curricular changes (fewer than three) to:

existing non-gen-ed course

non-gen-ed degree requirements

major

minor, specialization, concentration, track, certificate program

**DEPARTMENT**  
(Signature indicates approval)

Dept. Curriculum Chair / Date 2/16/00

Dept. Chairperson / Date

**ACADEMIC DEAN**

Approved  Not Approved  Comments:

Dean's Signature/Date [Signature] 2/16/00

**COLLEGE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE**

Date of open hearing (if necessary) \_\_\_\_\_ Approved  Not Approved \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

Signature of College Chair/Date: Richard Rubin 4/1/00

**UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE**

Date Received/Processed 2/15/00

Comments:

Curriculum Chair Signature [Signature]

Date Announced At Senate 5/11/00

**EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT/PROVOST**

Approved  Not Approved \_\_\_\_\_ If no, reasons are as follows:

Student Credit Hours \_\_\_\_\_ Faculty Load Hours \_\_\_\_\_ Equalized Credit Hours \_\_\_\_\_

Official Copy & Approval Sheet Filed (Date): \_\_\_\_\_

Executive VP/Provost Signature/Date C. L. Fournier 5/25/00

**REGISTRAR**

Date Approved Course Description Received \_\_\_\_\_ Hegis Taxonomy & Course Number Assigned \_\_\_\_\_

Registrar Signature/Date Robert A. Kulbat 5/31/00

**NOTIFICATION FORWARD**

Senate Curriculum Committee Chairperson

Academic Dean(s)

Department Chairpersons

Registrar

TM G. [Signature]

\_\_\_\_ Sponsor(s)

## **MINOR CURRICULAR CHANGE**

### **Change in Course Prerequisites**

#### **I. Details**

##### **A. Change Requested**

Prerequisites Change for 0503.420 Accounting Information Systems

From: 0502.310 Intermediate Accounting I

To: 0502.310 or 0503.310 Intermediate Accounting I, 0701.200 Computing Environments and Junior Standing as a Business or Accounting Major

##### **B. Sponsors**

Carol N. Welsh and George C. Romeo, Department of Accounting & Finance

#### **II. Rationale**

Inasmuch as the Accounting Information Systems course requires a significant amount of hands-on work with the computer, it is important that students have a background in the fundamentals of computing. The course material also requires an understanding of the principles of computing, which is provided in the Computing Environments course.

##### **A. Need**

Specifying Computing Environments as a prerequisite course for Accounting Information Systems ensures that all students will enter AIS with a common base competency in the area of computing technology.

##### **B. Impact on Program**

No significant impact on the program is expected. Most students entering the AIS course are at the junior level in Accounting and have already completed the Computing Environments course.

## MINOR CURRICULAR CHANGE

### Course Description Change

#### I. Details

##### A. Change Requested

From: **0502.420** **3 s.h.**

**Accounting Information Systems**

(Prerequisite: 0502.310)

The course examines various dimensions of the management information system from the viewpoint of the accountant and information analyst. It surveys the various genres of accounting information systems, including transactions processing, the revenue cycle. Emphasis is on document flows, file and data structure databases and controls. Projects in data base design and implementation are used to reinforce the concepts studied.

To: **0503.420** **3 s.h.**

**Accounting Information Systems**

(Prerequisites: 0502.310 or 0503.310 and 0701.200)

This course is designed to give the accounting student an introduction to the concepts and tools related to the use, development, and adaptation of computer-based accounting information systems. The course will emphasize information system analysis and design, internal controls, and technology of accounting systems. A term project will require students to evaluate a component of an existing business' accounting information system and make recommendations for improvements. Students will gain hands-on experience with a commercial accounting software system throughout the course.

##### B. Sponsors

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#### II. Rationale

The proposed course description more accurately reflects the content of the course as it is being taught. The original course description indicated that "Projects in data base design and implementation are used to reinforce the concepts studied." This is not the case, as the current course does not place emphasis on data base design and implementation. The proposed description more accurately reflects the emphasis of the course and describes the term project that is being used.

**A. Need**

Students who are considering taking the AIS course rely upon the course description published in the Undergraduate Catalog. It is important that this description be accurate and consistent with the course description provided in the course syllabus.

**B. Impact on Program**

None