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Approval Form

Proposal Title: Reduction in credit hours, and distribution, required for Concentration in Philosophy and Religion.

Sponsor(s) Howard R. Cell Dept.: Philosophy/Religion Ext. 6048

Check one: Course Specialization Concentration Minor Achievement Certificate
 Certification Program Major Program Minor Change Credit change.
(please name deletion or credit/title/catalog change)

Undergraduate Graduate 1.5 Credit Hours

<p>Step 1 (Department)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved <u>February 28th</u> Date</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not Approved</p> <p><u>Howard R. Cell</u> Dept. CC Chairperson</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reviewed <u>February 1988</u> Date</p> <p><u>Howard R. Cell</u> Dept. Chairperson</p>	<p>Step 2 (Receipt)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> SCC# <u>87-88-44</u></p> <p>Proposal Received <u>2/18/88</u> Date</p> <p><u>Brenda A. Boley</u> SCC Chairperson</p>	<p>Step 3 (School CC)</p> <p>Reviewed <u>3/8/88</u></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Not Approved</p> <p>Comments:</p> <p><u>A/H/O. Shaw</u> School Curr. Comm. Chairperson</p>
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Step 4 (Academic Dean) **Comments:**

Recommend
 Not Recommend
 Conditionally Recommend (see comments)

Reviewed 3-18-88
Date

[Signature]
Signature, Dean of School

Step 5 (SCC)

Open Hearing 5/9
Date

Approved by Senate Curriculum Committee 5/9
Date

Returned to sponsor(s) for the following reasons:

Step 6 (Senate)

Presented to Senate 5/25/88
Date

Approved Not Approved

Notification to Vice-President for Academic Affairs 5/31/88
Date

Brenda A. Boley
Signature, SCC Chairperson

Step 6 (Senate)

Received 6/31/00
Date

Approved YES No

If no, reasons are as follows:

Student credit hours NA

Faculty load hours NA

Equalized credit hours NA

*CREDIT REDUCTION
IN CONCENTRATION*

Official copy and approval sheet filed 6-22-00
Date

[Signature]

Signature, Vice-President for Academic Affairs

Registrar

Approved course description received _____
Date

Hegis Taxonomy and Course Number assigned _____

Signature, Registrar Date

Notification forwarded:

- Senate Curriculum Committee Chairperson
- Department Chairperson(s)
- Academic Dean(s)
- Registrar
- Sponsor(s)

Minor Curricular Change: A reduction in credit hours, and their distribution, required for the Concentration in Philosophy and Religion.

I. A. CHANGE REQUESTED

1. From 24 credit hours to 18 credit hours.
2. From the alternative distributions previously required (12 philosophy/ 12 religion; 9 philosophy/ 15 religion; or 15 philosophy/ 9 religion) to the following distributive alternatives:
 - a. 9 philosophy/ 9 religion
 - b. 12 philosophy/ 6 religion
 - c. 6 philosophy/ 12 religion.

B. Sponsors:

Howard R. Cell, Chair, Department of Philosophy/Religion
Department of Philosophy/Religion.

II. RATIONALE:

A. Statement of need for change:

Only a few students have completed the Concentration in Philosophy and Religion since it was first implemented with the 24 credit hour requirement, but a much larger number have in fact taken 18 credit hours in our two disciplines. The proposed change would make our concentration more accessible to those students with an interest in both philosophy and religious studies.

B. Curricular Effect:

By reducing the number of credit hours required for the Concentration in philosophy and Religion, we expect that more students will decide to enroll in that concentration. This, in turn, should increase the number of students who register for particular courses above the introductory level, thereby enhancing the retention of those courses when they are offered.

III. RESULTS OF CONSULTATION:

The members of the Department of Philosophy/Religion, who are most obviously and perhaps exclusively affected by the proposed change, have considered its ramifications and herewith express their unanimous endorsement.

The Concentration in Philosophy and Religion is an 18 credit-hour program which enables students to pursue either area in greater depth, or both in equal degree, depending upon personal interest. Students enrolled in the concentration must take the introductory courses in philosophy and in religion, and may then select other courses as follows:

Concentration in Philosophy and Religion (18 Credit Hours)

1) Required Courses (6 Credit Hours)

- 1509.120 Introduction to Philosophy
- 1510.100 Introduction to Religion.

2) Elective Courses (12 credit hours) from the following list of departmental offerings:

Philosophy:

- 1509.110 Logic of Everyday Reasoning
- 1509.130 Introduction to Symbolic Logic
- 1509.220 Survey of Western Philosophy
- 1509.230 Symbolic Logic
- 1509.240 Philosophy and Society
- 1509.250 Introduction to Ethics
- 1509.310 Aesthetics
- 1509.320 Existentialism
- 1509.325 American Philosophy
- 1509.330 Oriental Thought
- 1509.332 Business Ethics
- Philosophy of Science (pending)
- Philosophy and Gender (pending)
- Applied Ethics (pending)
- 1509.440 Selected Topics in Philosophy.

Religion:

- 1510.110 Introduction to the Bible
- 1510.200 Religions of the World
- 1510.300 Philosophy of Religion
- 1510.328 Development of Western Religious Thought
- 1510.410 Religion and Human Sexuality
- 1510.420 Religion and Psychology
- 1510.430 Religion in Urban Society.

(Note: Elective courses must be distributed in one of the following patterns: 2 in philosophy and 2 in religion; 1 in philosophy and 3 in religion; or 3 in philosophy and 1 in religion.)