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Curriculum Proposal Cover Sheet - University-Wide Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

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Check all appropriate lines and complete all information. Use a separate cover sheet for each course proposal and/or program proposal.

1. Course Proposals (check all that apply)

New Course Course Prefix Change Course Deletion
 Course Revision Course Number and/or Title Change Catalog Description Change

Current course prefix, number and full title: _____

Proposed course prefix, number and full title, if changing: _____

2. Liberal Studies Course Designations, as appropriate
 This course is also proposed as a Liberal Studies Course (please mark the appropriate categories below)

Learning Skills Knowledge Area Global and Multicultural Awareness Writing Across the Curriculum (W Course)
 Liberal Studies Elective (please mark the designation(s) that applies – must meet at least one)

Global Citizenship Information Literacy Oral Communication
 Quantitative Reasoning Scientific Literacy Technological Literacy

3. Other Designations, as appropriate

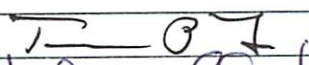

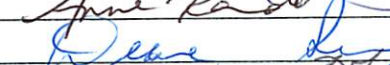

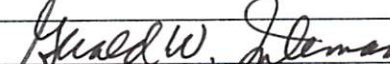
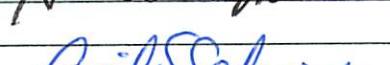
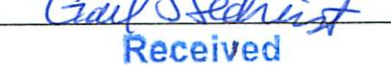
Honors College Course Other: (e.g. Women's Studies, Pan African)

4. Program Proposals

Catalog Description Change Program Revision Program Title Change New Track
 New Degree Program New Minor Program Liberal Studies Requirement Changes Other

Current program name: **Bachelor of Science - Computer Science / Applied Computer Science Track**

Proposed program name, if changing: _____

5. Approvals	Signature	Date
Department Curriculum Committee Chair(s)		2/6/12
Department Chairperson(s)		2/10/2012
College Curriculum Committee Chair		3/7/12
College Dean		3/12/12
Director of Liberal Studies (as needed)		3/22/12
Director of Honors College (as needed)		
Provost (as needed)		3/27/12
Additional signature (with title) as appropriate		
UWUCC Co-Chairs		4/24/12

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Part II. Description of Curriculum Change

1. Catalog Description for the Revised Bachelor of Science- Computer Science/Applied Computer Science Track

Note: Retain COSC preamble in catalog as it currently appears.

Liberal Studies: As outlined in Liberal Studies section with the following specifications: **43-44**

Mathematics: 3cr, MATH 125 (1)

Liberal Studies Electives: 3cr, MATH 216, no courses with COSC prefix.

Major: **46**

Required Courses:

COSC 105 Fundamentals of Computer Science	3cr
COSC 110 Problem Solving and Structured Programming	3cr
COSC 210 Object-Oriented and GUI Programming	3cr
COSC 220 Applied Computer Programming	4cr
COSC 300 Computer Organization and Assembly Language	3cr
COSC 310 Data Structures and Algorithms	3cr
COSC 319 Software Engineering Concepts	3cr
COSC 341 Intro to Database Management Systems	3cr
COSC 365 Web Architecture and Application Development	3cr
COSC 380 Seminar in Computing Profession and Ethics	2cr
COSC 480 Seminar on Technical Topics	1cr
COSC 473 Software Engineering Practice or COSC 493 Internship in Computer Science (2)	3cr

Controlled Electives: 9cr from the following (3)

COSC/MATH 250 Introduction to Numerical Methods	3cr
COSC 316 Host Computer Security (4)	3cr
COSC 345 Computer Networks	3cr
COSC/IFMG 354 Testing and Controlling LANs	3cr
COSC 355 Computer Graphics	3cr
COSC 356 Network Security	3cr
COSC 362 Unix Systems	3cr
COSC 481 Special Topics in Computer Science (only sections approved for majors)	1-4cr
COSC 482 Independent Study	1-4cr
IFMG 455 Data Warehousing & Mining	3cr

Upper-level Electives by Categories: 3cr from the following: **3cr**

Artificial Intelligence: COSC 405
Computer Architecture: COSC 410
Database Management: COSC 444
Distributed Systems: COSC 465
Numerical Methods: COSC 427, 451
Systems Programming: COSC 430
Theory of Languages: 420, 424, 460

Other Requirements: **6**

Additional Writing:
ENGL 222 Technical Writing **3cr**
Additional Mathematics:
MATH 219 Discrete Mathematics **3cr**

Complete a minor from one of the following areas: **8-20**
Information Assurance **12-18cr**
Any department in the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics **8-20cr**
Designated Business courses **18cr**

Designated Economics courses 12-15cr
Designated Communications Media courses 18cr

Free Electives: 4-17

Total Degree Requirements: 120

- (1) MATH 125 can be substituted by MATH 121.
- (2) COSC 493 may be selected after completion of sophomore year. Note: Only 3cr of first 6cr of COSC 493 can be counted toward controlled electives or 6cr of a total 12cr of COSC 493 can be counted towards major. A student who does not complete all 12cr of COSC 493 must take COSC 473.
- (3) Upper-level electives may be counted as controlled electives. 3cr of Intermediate Level foreign language may be applied toward controlled electives.
- (4) COSC 316 cannot be counted for major credit if a student does an Information Assurance minor.

2. Summary of Changes

a) Side-by-side comparison of Current and Proposed programs (the changes are shown in italics).

Current Program

Bachelor of Science - Computer Science/Applied Computer Science Track

Liberal Studies: As outlined in Liberal Studies section with the following specifications: **48**
Mathematics: *3cr*, MATH 125 (1)
Liberal Studies Electives: *3cr*, MATH 216, no courses with COSC prefix.

Major: **40**

Required Courses:

COSC 105 Fundamentals of Computer Science 3cr
 COSC 110 Problem Solving and Structured Programming 3cr
 COSC 210 Object-Oriented and GUI Programming 3cr
 COSC 220 Applied Computer Programming 4cr
 COSC 300 Computer Organization and Assembly Language 3cr
 COSC 310 Data Structures and Algorithms 3cr
 COSC 319 Software Engineering Concepts 3cr
 COSC 341 Intro to Database Management Systems 3cr
 COSC 365 Web Architecture and Application Development 3cr
 COSC 380 Seminar in Computing Profession and Ethics 2cr
 COSC 480 Seminar on Technical Topics 1cr
 Select one of the following two courses:
~~COSC 320 Software Engineering Practice 3cr (2)~~
 COSC 493 Internship in Computer Science ~~4cr (3)~~

Controlled Electives: ~~3cr~~ from the following: (4)

COSC/MATH 250 Introduction to Numerical Methods 3cr
 COSC 316 Host Computer Security 3cr (5)
 COSC 345 Computer Networks 3cr
 COSC/IFMG 354 Testing and Controlling LANs 3cr
 COSC 355 Computer Graphics 3cr
 COSC 356 Network Security 3cr
 COSC 362 Unix Systems 3cr
 COSC 481 Special Topics in Computer Science (only sections approved for majors) 1-4cr
 COSC 482 Independent Study 1-4cr
 IFMG 455 Data Warehousing & Mining 3cr

Upper-level Electives by Categories: *3cr* from the following: 3cr (6)

Artificial Intelligence: COSC 405
 Computer Architecture: COSC 410
 Database Management: COSC 444
 Numerical Methods: COSC 427, 451
 Systems Programming: COSC 432
 Theory of Languages: 420, 424, 460

Other Requirements: **6-12**

Additional Writing:

ENGL 322 Technical Writing 3cr
~~Foreign Language Intermediate Level 0-6cr~~

Additional Mathematics:

MATH 219 Discrete Mathematics 3cr (1)

Proposed Program

Bachelor of Science - Computer Science/Applied Computer Science Track

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Liberal Studies Electives: *3cr*, MATH 216, no courses with COSC prefix.

Major: **46**

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 COSC 110 Problem Solving and Structured Programming 3cr
 COSC 210 Object-Oriented and GUI Programming 3cr
 COSC 220 Applied Computer Programming 4cr
 COSC 300 Computer Organization and Assembly Language 3cr
 COSC 310 Data Structures and Algorithms 3cr
 COSC 319 Software Engineering Concepts 3cr
 COSC 341 Intro to Database Management Systems 3cr
 COSC 365 Web Architecture and Application Development 3cr
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 Select one of the following two courses:
 COSC 473 Software Engineering Practice or
 COSC 493 Internship in Computer Science (2) 3cr

Controlled Electives: *9cr* from the following: (3)

COSC/MATH 250 Introduction to Numerical Methods 3cr
 COSC 316 Host Computer Security (4) 3cr
 COSC 345 Computer Networks 3cr
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 IFMG 455 Data Warehousing & Mining 3cr

Upper-level Electives by Categories: *3cr* from the following: 3cr

Artificial Intelligence: COSC 405
 Computer Architecture: COSC 410
 Database Management: COSC 444
Distributed Systems: COSC 465
 Numerical Methods: COSC 427, 451
 Systems Programming: COSC 430, 432
 Theory of Languages: 420, 424, 460

Other Requirements: **6**

Additional Writing:

ENGL 222 Technical Writing 3cr

Additional Mathematics:

MATH 219 Discrete Mathematics 3cr

Current Program

Complete a minor from one of the following areas:	8-18
Information Assurance	48cr
Any department in the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics	8-18cr
Designated Business courses	18cr
Designated Economics courses	15cr
Designated Geography courses	15cr
Designated Communications Media courses	18cr

Free Electives: ~~2-18~~

Total Degree Requirements: 120

- (1) MATH 125 can be substituted by MATH 121.
- (2) Credit for both COSC 320 and 493 may be counted toward the degree, but only one will be counted toward the major requirements.
- (3) COSC 493 may be selected ~~in either the second semester of the junior year or the first semester of the senior year. If COSC 493 is selected and approved, COSC 380 may be taken in the immediately preceding semester.~~ Note: Only 4cr of COSC 493 can be counted towards major.
- (4) Select at least 3cr from the list of controlled electives and/or the list of upper-level electives.
- (5) COSC 316 cannot be counted for major credit if a student does an Information Assurance minor.
- (6) Select at least one additional course from list of upper-level electives.

Proposed Program

Complete a minor from one of the following areas:	8-20
Information Assurance	12-18cr
Any department in the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics	8-20cr
Designated Business courses	18cr
Designated Economics courses	12-15cr
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Free Electives: 4-17

Total Degree Requirements: 120

- (1) MATH 125 can be substituted by MATH 121.
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- (3) *Upper-level electives may be counted as controlled electives. 3cr of Intermediate Level foreign language may be applied toward controlled electives.*
- (4) COSC 316 cannot be counted for major credit if a student does an Information Assurance minor.

b) List of associated course changes

The following courses have changed course numbers:

**COSC 320 Software Engineering Practice, re-numbered
as COSC 473 Software Engineering Practice**

The following courses have been revised:

COSC 493 Internship in Computer Science

The following courses have been added:

COSC 465 Distributed Processing and Web Services

3. Rationale

This program revision represents a few changes based on recommendations from the Computer Science Corporate Advisory board together with minor curriculum changes to replace an outdated course with an alternative, and renumber a course to better align with level and purpose. Specifics are:

a) COSC 320 Software Engineering Practice is the practicum that is intended to be a capstone of the Computer Science program where student apply their skills and knowledge to sizable projects that are representative to industry. It is the on-campus counterpart to an internship experience. Given this, it is being renumbered to 473 to indicate a senior level course that is on par with COSC 493 Internship experience. Furthermore, this change provides alignment with the department's ABET accreditation plan in which COSC 493 or COSC 473 are the designated capstone courses.

b) The number of credits hours of COSC 493 that can be counted toward a major was increased from 2cr per 6cr of 493 to 3cr per 6cr of 493. This change enabled the first 6cr of 493 to be counted as a controlled elective and the last 6cr of 493 to be counted as fulfilling the practicum requirement of the Applied and Information Assurance tracks (or as a second controlled elective in the remaining tracks). In making this change, students may undertake an internship without incurring excessive credits beyond the 120 required for graduation.

c) COSC 465 Distributed Processing and Web Services is an upper level elective that follows COSC 365 Web Architecture and Application Programming. Distributed Processing and Web Services is an area that is experiencing considerable growth and demand in the industry and is above and beyond the material that can be covered in 365. The topics related to distributed processing and web services can only be covered at a cursory level in 365 due to the volume of content encompassing web technologies. 365 provides minimal discussion of web services and then only in the context of future directions. 465 thus provide a detailed study of web services technologies providing students hand-on labs/exercises/and assignments to use these technologies.

d) Due to the expansion of the field and the need to cover leading-edge technologies, additional courses in the field are required by many majors. On the advice of the Corporate Advisory Board, the mandate for a foreign language has been removed from the curriculum for pragmatic reasons. In addition, the removal of this mandate provides flexibility for majors to switch tracks with minimal impact. However, the Computer Science department acknowledges the benefits of studying a foreign language and has provided the option to include an intermediate level foreign language course as a controlled elective. The department will continue to encourage the foreign language option when a student's area of concentration permits.

e) The credits noted in the proposed program for the minors have been corrected to reflect the range of additional credits a student may need to complete a given minor. The actual number of credits is dependent on the minor selected and the degree to which overlap exists between the requirements of the minor and the courses selected by the student in meeting the major and liberal studies requirements. For example a minor in Information Assurance may be completed with 9 additional credits for Criminology provided the student completed CRIM 101 as a social science and COSC 354 as part of the major.

f) The Geography minor has been removed since such minor is no longer available in the catalog.

g) ENGL 322 was changed to ENGL 222 as a result of a change in course number initiated by the English department. Course content was not changed.

h) Change the number of credits in COSC electives and the number of free electives. This change was made to accommodate changes in the new Liberal Studies curriculum.

Part III. Implementation

1. Proposed Date of Change.

It is proposed that the changes be implemented for the academic year after the Senate approval.

2. Effects on Currently Enrolled Students.

Students currently enrolled in the program may elect to not complete the foreign language requirement provided they complete the additional Computer Science elective. Conversely, students that have completed a foreign language requirement are not required to complete the additional elective.

All currently enrolled students may elect to take 465 as the required controlled or upper level elective.

3. Effects on Faculty/Resources.

There are no overall effects to the Computer Science faculty. COSC 429, 454, and 465 will be scheduled on a rotating basis with other electives. The frequency that these courses are offered will depend on student demand/interest. Current faculty are prepared to present the content of these courses.

4. Effects on the Number of Students.

It is expected that there will be no significant effects on the number of students in the program. It is anticipated that the requirement of an additional controlled elected to be taken by all students will result in increased enrollment in the controlled and upper level electives, but will not exceed the class capacity. These changes are needed to maintain the department's reputation on preparing students to become software development professionals.

Part IV. Periodic Assessment

The assessment of the success of the proposed changes described in this proposal will be performed as part of the Computer Science Department's overall curriculum assessment policies. This change is minor and will not affect the way current assessment is done.

Part V. Course Proposals

The course proposals for:

COSC 465 Distributed Processing and Web Services

are attached.

Part VI. Letters of Support or Acknowledgement

A request for a letter of support or acknowledgement has been sent to the Department of Foreign Languages.