# MA Human Resources and Employment Relations - PrgRsv-2018-10-19

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## Program Revision Options (Check all that apply)

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\* Teacher Education: Please complete the Teacher

Education section of this form (below)

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Program Level:\* graduate-level

**Rationale for Proposed Changes** 

(A) Why is the program being revised?\*

As a result of our 5 year review and the Departments desire to be a "certified" degree program the Department is requesting this degree name change. Currently there is no accreditation for programs for Employment Relations. The Society for Human Resource Management (we have a graduate chapter) now "certifies" program as Human Resource programs. As currently delivered, our degree, while having the courses needed to seek certification with the exception of one course, Organizational Behavior, can't submit for certification because we do not have the words Human Resources in our title. The current name of the program also came up during our recent 5 year review. External reviewer Dr. Paul Clark from Penn State University, suggested that the ELR program follow in the footsteps our Peer Institutions, Penn State University, Michigan State University and locally Saint Francis University and change the degree from a dedicated "Employment Relations" program to a program that teaches both Human Resource practitioners as well as practitioners in Employment Relations. To do this, the ELR Department needs to create a course in Organizational Behavior, require ELR 632 Compensation, and remove the requirement of ELR 613 Fundamentals in Labor Relations. By making theses changes and using our current courses in the department as "electives", the ELR Department will be able to seek SHRM certification and then provide a Master's degree option for Human Resource Undergraduates (currently 104 at IUP alone) that is discipline specific to both majors. Presently Human Resource students do not have that option. Their current option for graduate school at IUP consists of either a degree in Employment Relations or an MBA degree with a concentration in Human Resource. The ELR Department is the program most able to deliver this degree since our current course options can create this new degree that will be similar to Penn State and Michigan State, by simply adding a course in Organizational Behavior class and a few changes to our current required course sequence from our elective sequence.

We are hoping to begin offering this program in the Summer of 2019, when our new students start the program year.

(B) Identify
ALL
Program
Level
Student

Learning Outcomes (PSLO)

Indicate any SLOs that have be changed

#### highlighting them in red.\*

- Outcom es must be measura ble
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   outcome
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- Tracks, concentr ations, certificat es must have at least one outcome that is unique from a related degree program
- Minors and majors may share outcomes
- PLSLOs will be evaluate d as part of the program' s assess ment

plan

See attachment for SLO's for the program These SLO's will be used for SHRM (Society for Human Resource Management) certification

| Stud | Students will be able to:  |  |  |
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| #    | Outcome  | How outcome measured   |  |
| 1    | Develop an understanding of the legal concepts as they relate to employment relations and human resources.   | Students are required to analyze employment scenarios by applying case law as learned in the case book. 60% of content in ELR 610 Employee Rights is based on student ability to analyze fact scenario through case law.   |  |
| 2    | Develop an understanding of the responsibilities of management and union representatives in negotiation and administering collective bargaining agreements with particular attention to the arbitration process. | Students are required to analyze both sides of an employment dispute and suggest options for settlement. Students develop four papers analyzing both sides to a labor dispute. This reflects 60% of the student's grade in ELR 641 Contract Administration.  |  |
| 3    | Identifies with the broad range of dispute resolution processes in both concept and execution.   | Students participate as advocates and arbitrator in three mock Arbitrations. Requiring students to participate in mock disputes allows students to apply their conflict resolution skills by developing dispute resolution solutions. This assessment leads to 45% of the student's grade in ELR 615 Dispute Settelment. |  |
| 4    | Achieve an understanding of compensation systems, benefit packages, benefits determination and the legal requirements in administering compensation packages.  | Assessment includes examination and simulation based project scenarios and research papers in ELR 632 Compensation Administration.   |  |
| 5    | Understand the expanding role, responsibility and skills needed to perform successfully in the present day human resources management field.   | Students are assessed by examinations, a final simulation based research topic in the field of Human Resource Management, and weekly current events. These assessments account for 100% of the student's grade in ELR 631 Human Resource Management.   |  |
| 6    | Develop an understanding of the legal concepts as they relate to labor relations.  | Demonstrate mastery of legal concepts in the National Labor Relations Act and case law by applying the resolution of an issue as identified in various example scenarios.  |  |

(C) Implications of the change on the program, other

programs and the Students:\*

This new program name will provide students with a degree that is more recognizable to the general public (adding HR to the title). It will allow us to better market to Human Resource undergrads who do not typically understand that Employment Relations is an HR degree with an emphasis on negotiations and the ability to deal with Unions. By changing the name we will better be able to recruit students who want to work in Human Resources for union and non-union organizations. At IUP alone, there are 104 undergraduate students in Human Resources who do not have a degree specific graduate program. They either come to ELR or get an MBA with a concentration in HR.

ELR and College of Business have HR related programs. The difference is ELR teaches the Human Resource courses that focus mostly on the people aspect of managing organization. As Dr. Clark from Penn State suggested, like their University, the Employment Relations Department is better suited to teach these courses because our focus is the relationship with Employees. ELR already has the 600 level graduate courses in the courses needed to deliver this degree.

During the summer months and this past December 2018, the Dean of the College of Health and Human Services and I met with the Dean of the College of Business and the Chair of the Management Department; along with representatives from the Provost's office to discuss our desire to add the term Human Resources to our graduate degree. We also meet with the Chair of the Department of Management and developed a 3 + 1 program with ELR and the undergraduate program in Human Resources to allow students to seamlessly move into a graduate program if so desired.

The program revision, including the name change, should not interfere with the MBA, since primarily, the MBA functions to serve those students looking to expand their knowledge in how business operates. Additionally the MBA has an HR concentration, and this new degree will provide more courses available to their major.

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(E) UG Course Catalog: http://www.iup.edu/registrar/catalog/ Current Narrative Grad Course Catalog:http://www.iup.edu/graduatestudies/catalog/ Catalo g Descripti The Master of Arts in Employment and Labor Relations is a multidisciplinary, graduate-degree program designed to prepare professional practitioners in the field of employment and labor relations in public and private management, unions, government agencies, and neutral and service organizations. The 36on semester-hour program consists of a required core of 21 semester hours and elective course offerings totaling 15 semester hours. In consultation with the advisor, each student will individually build the elective sequence of the program of study by choosing 15 elective semester hours from among employment and labor relations courses and courses approved by the advisor that are offered by other departments. copying Students are strongly encouraged to elect an internship to integrate theory and practice in the field. pasting from current catalog entry, please paste into Word or Notepad first to eliminat potential issues with formatti ng or special characte rs in the text. The Master of Arts in Human Resources and Employment Relations is a multidisciplinary, graduate-degree program designed to prepare professional practitioners in the fields of human resource management and employment relations in the public and private sectors and the training of neutrals and those sed wanting to work for employee service organizations. The 36-semester-hour program consists of a required core of 24-semester-hours and elective course Narrative offerings totaling 12-semester-hours. Catal In consultation with the Advisor, each student will individually build the elective sequence of the program of study by choosing 12-elective-semester hours og from among human resource and employment relations courses and courses approved by the Advisor that are offered by other departments. Descripti on Students are strongly encouraged to elect an internship to integrate theory and practice in the field. (if changin g) (F) Attach a Word document showing a side-by-side comparison of the current and proposed program requirements. Current Please clearly label the attachment as Program Requirements. and Proposed File Modified Progra Microsoft Word Document Curriculum Proposal ELR before and after.docx Jan 29, 2019 by David M. Piper Require ments

| (G) Supporting Documents* | Are you making a major change?  |                                |
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| Liberal Studies Course Desig          | nations (Check all that apply)   |
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| Learning Skills:                      |  |
| Knowledge Area:                       |  |
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| Liberal Studies Elective              | Please mark the designation(s) that apply - must meet at least one   |
| Expected Undergraduate Student        | Describe how each Student Learning Outcome in the course enables students to become Informed Learners,<br>Empowered Learners and/or Responsible Learners |
| Learning Outcomes                     | See http://www.iup.edu/WorkArea/DownloadAsset.aspx?id=181694   |
| (EUSLOs)                              |  |
| Description of the Required           | Narrative on how the course will address the Selected Category Content   |
| Content for this Category             |  |
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| the perspectives and contributions    |  |
| of ethnic and racial minorities and   |  |
| of women whenever appropriate to      |  |
| the subject<br>matter. Please explain |  |
| how this course will meet this        |  |
| criterion.                            |  |

| Liberal Studies courses require the    |
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| reading and use by students of at      |
| least one non-textbook work of         |
| fiction or non-fiction or a collection |
| of related articles. Please describe   |
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| Course Designations:         |   |                                |  |
| Key Assessments              |   |                                |  |
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