DOCUMENTS OF THE GENERAL FACULTY

PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE PRE-HEALTH PROFESSIONS CERTIFICATE IN THE COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES CHAPTER IN THE UNDERGRADUATE CATALOG 2018-2020

Dean Linda A. Hicke in the College of Natural Sciences has filed with the Secretary of the Faculty Council the following proposal to change the Pre-Health Professions Certificate in the College of Natural Sciences chapter in the Undergraduate Catalog, 2018-2020. On September 20, 2017, the Course and Curriculum Committee and Associate Dean David Vanden Bout, on behalf of Dean Hicke, approved the proposal. The Secretary has classified this proposal as legislation of general interest to more than one college or school.

The Committee on Undergraduate Degree Program Review recommended approval of the proposal on December 14, 2017, and forwarded it to the Office of the General Faculty. The Faculty Council has the authority to approve this legislation on behalf of the General Faculty. The authority to grant final approval on this legislation resides with the Provost on behalf of the President.

If no objection is filed with the Office of the General Faculty by the date specified below, the legislation will be held to have been approved by the Faculty Council. If an objection is filed within the prescribed period, the legislation will be presented to the Faculty Council at its next meeting. The objection, with reasons, must be signed by a member of the Faculty Council.

To be counted, a protest must be received in the Office of the General Faculty by March 15, 2018.

Alan W. Friedman, Secretary of the General Faculty and Faculty Council
The University of Texas at Austin
Arthur J. Thaman and Wilhelmina Doré Thaman Professor of English and Comparative Literature

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Type of Proposal

☐ New Certificate Program
☒ Change an Existing Certificate Program
☐ Delete a Program

Note: If the certificate program proposed for addition or change includes a requirement of 21 to 24 semester credit hours, an additional form is required for THECB approval/notation.

Proposed classification

☐ Exclusive  ☒ General  ☐ Major

1. IF THE ANSWER TO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS IS YES, THE COLLEGE MUST CONSULT LINDA DICKENS, DIRECTOR OF ACCREDITATION AND ASSESSMENT, TO DETERMINE IF SACSCOC APPROVAL IS REQUIRED.

- Is this a new transcript-recognized certificate program?  Yes ☐ No ☒
- Is this a request to delete an existing transcript-recognized certificate program?  Yes ☐ No ☒
- Does the certificate offer courses that will be taught off campus?  Yes ☐ No ☒
- Will courses in this program be delivered electronically?  Yes ☐ No ☒
- Will courses be developed specifically for the new certificate?  Yes ☐ No ☒

2. THIS PROPOSAL INVOLVES (Please check all that apply)

☒ Courses in other colleges  ☐ Courses in proposer’s college that are frequently taken by students in other colleges  ☐ Flags
☐ Course in the core curriculum  ☐ Change in course sequencing for an existing program  ☐ Courses that have to be added to the inventory
☐ Change in admission requirements (external or internal)  ☐ Requirements not explicit in the catalog language (e.g., lists of acceptable courses maintained by department office)

3. SCOPE OF PROPOSED CHANGE

a. Does this proposal impact other colleges/schools?  Yes ☒ No ☐
   If yes, then how? An estimate of three seats per year per course added to certificate.

b. Do you anticipate a net change in the number of students in your college?  Yes ☐ No ☒
   If yes, how many more (or fewer) students do you expect?

c. Do you anticipate a net increase (or decrease) in the number of students from outside of your college taking classes in your college?  Yes ☐ No ☒
   If yes, please indicate the number of students and/or class seats involved.

d. Do you anticipate a net increase (or decrease) in the number of students from your college taking courses in other colleges?  Yes ☒ No ☐
   If yes, please indicate the number of students and/or class seats involved.

Retired from course inventory
Education: EDP 363, 369K; M 316 (to be retired)

Moved courses (not new to certificate, just rearranged due to addition of duplicate coursework)
College of Liberal Arts: PSY 346K
Added courses
McCombs School of Business: MAN 334M
Moody College of Communication: CSD 306K, 308K
College of Education: EDP 350E, 350L; HED 329K, 378D
College of Fine Arts: ART 339R
College of Liberal Arts: AMS 370 (Topic 49); AFR 374D (Topic 11); GRG 344K, 356 (Topic 1), 356T (Topic 9); SOC 307P, 321G, 333K
College of Natural Sciences: HDF 343; NTR 315, 321, 332; SDS 301
Steve Hicks School of Social Work: SW 360K (Topic 9)

Natural Sciences majors must complete a minimum of nine hours from a variety of coursework spread across five themes: cultural awareness, health and anatomy, healthcare policy, human and societal development, and nutrition. The additional courses were identified through individual petitions by Natural Sciences majors over the last two years. The changes to the certificate add thirty-one courses to bring the total number of course choices to eighty-four. I estimate the number of seats per course to be one to three seats per year.

If 3 a, b, c, or d was answered with yes, please answer the following questions. If the proposal has potential budgetary impacts for another college/school, such as requiring new sections or a non-negligible increase in the number of seats offered, at least one contact must be at the college-level.

How many students do you expect to be impacted? Three seats per year
Impacted schools must be contacted and their response(s) included: Department of Management
Person communicated with: Luis Martins, Chair
Date of communication: September 26, 2017
Response: We would be happy to have Natural Sciences add MAN 334M, Healthcare Systems Management, to the healthcare policy theme.

How many students do you expect to be impacted? Three seats per year
Impacted schools must be contacted and their response(s) included: Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders
Person communicated with: Rajinder Koul, Chair
Date of communication: September 26, 2017
Response: I approve the addition to the certificate.

How many students do you expect to be impacted? Three seats per year per course
Impacted schools must be contacted and their response(s) included: Department of Educational Psychology
Person communicated with: Cindy Carlson, Chair
Date of communication: September 26, 2017
Response: Yes, you have my permission to add these courses to your certificate program.

How many students do you expect to be impacted?
Impacted schools must be contacted and their response(s) included: Department of Kinesiology & Health Education
Person communicated with: John Bartholomew, Chair
Date of communication: September 26, 2017
Response: We are happy to have the course listed.

How many students do you expect to be impacted? Three seats per year
Impacted schools must be contacted and their response(s) included: College of Fine Arts
Person communicated with: Jack Risley, Chair
Date of communication: email sent September 26, 2017
Response: We are enormously proud of this course and would be delighted to have it included in your Pre-Health Professions Certificate.

How many students do you expect to be impacted? Three seats per year
Impacted schools must be contacted and their response(s) included: Department of African & African Diaspora Studies
Person communicated with: Edmund Gordon, Chair
Date of communication: September 26, 2017
Response: Yes it does.

How many students do you expect to be impacted? Three seats per year per course
Impacted schools must be contacted and their response(s) included: Department of Sociology
Person communicated with: Robert Crosnoe, Chair
Date of communication: September 26, 2017
Response: Yes, this would be fine for us.

How many students do you expect to be impacted? Three seats per year
Impacted schools must be contacted and their response(s) included: College of Geography & the Environment
Person communicated with: Sheryl Luzzadder-Beach
Date of communication: September 26, 2017
Response: I approve, feel free to work out the details on how these best serve your students.

How many students do you expect to be impacted?
Impacted schools must be contacted and their response(s) included: Steve Hicks School of Social Work
Person communicated with: Allan Cole, senior associate dean for academic affairs
Date of communication: email sent September 26, 2017
Response: We would be pleased to have this course added to the certificate in NS.

How many students do you expect to be impacted? Three seats per year
Impacted schools must be contacted and their response(s) included: Department of American Studies
Person communicated with: Steven Hoelscher, Chair
Date of communication: email sent September 26, 2017
Response: We would be delighted to add this course.

4. OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE NAME: Undergraduate Certificate: Pre-Health Professions Certificate
5. CIP CODE (administrative unit awarding the certificate): N/A
7. STATEMENT OF OBJECTIVE: N/A
8. NUMBER OF STUDENTS EXPECTED TO RECEIVE THE CERTIFICATE EACH SEMESTER:
9. NUMBER OF HOURS REQUIRED FOR COMPLETION (Note: If the number of required hours is 21 to 24, THECB form is required):

10. LIST FACULTY ON THE CERTIFICATE PROGRAM FACULTY COMMITTEE.

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11. ACADEMIC COURSE REQUIREMENTS: Use this table to identify the courses that qualify for this certificate program.

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12. OTHER CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS:

13. GIVE A DETAILED RATIONALE FOR CHANGE(S):

Natural Sciences rearranged the some of the explanatory text from the last paragraph to the first paragraph. 
**Reason:** The first paragraph will now contain the information students are most interested initially.

Science major track changes

Add coursework across the university that was identified via individual petitions for students pursuing the programs. Delete coursework retired from the course inventory. 
**Reason:** Clean-up of course lists within theme areas.

Rearrange coursework to allow no more than one course chosen from EDP 350L (Human Sexuality), HED 366 (Human Sexuality), and PSY 346K (Psychology of Sex).  
**Reason:** Some amount of overlap between material. Certificate students would be better served taking course work to provide a broader background in courses that would be beneficial to pre-health professions students.

Remove M 316 and replace with SDS 301.  
**Reason:** M 316 is being retired. Material will be taught in SDS 301.

Non-science major track changes

Allow certificate to be completed by a combination of introductory and advanced coursework in the particular area of preparation that a student pursues.  
**Reason:** The advanced coursework departments have sufficient seats available that there is no need to restrict enrollment on the basis of completing all of the introductory coursework. Students outside of Natural Sciences must still meet individual course prerequisites.

Add organic chemistry sequence to the pre-veterinary preparation.  
**Reason:** Organic chemistry is required for pre-veterinary preparation.

14. COLLEGE/SCHOOL APPROVAL PROCESS:

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| September 20, 2017    | September 20, 2017 | Course and Curriculum Committee
|                       |                   | David Vanden Bout, Associate Dean for Undergraduate Education |

PROPOSED NEW CATALOG TEXT:

Pre-Health Professions Certificate

The Pre-Health Professions Certificate assists students in preparing for post-baccalaureate, healthcare professional programs. The certificate consists of a minimum of eighteen hours, including nine hours in residence. Each course presented for the certificate must be completed with a grade of at least C-.

The certificate is composed of two separate tracks: a track for majors in the College of Natural Sciences, and a track for majors in other colleges across the university. Students must apply online for admission to the certificate through the university-wide portal for transcript recognized certificates.

Students are encouraged to work closely with the Health Professions Office to select healthcare themes relevant to their professional career goals. Some of the courses may contain prerequisites that are in addition to the coursework for the certificate.
Majors in the College of Natural Sciences must seek the Science Major Track. [No admission to the track is required.]

Majors outside of the College of Natural Sciences must seek the Non-Science Major Track. The composition of the non-science major track is science coursework necessary for admission to post-baccalaureate, healthcare professional programs. Non-science majors may apply to the certificate program upon completion of the following courses with grades of at least B-: Chemistry 301 or 302, and one of the following: Statistics and Data Sciences 302, Mathematics 408C, 408K, 408N, or 408R. Upon admission, the ability to progress in the certificate is dependent on completion of the certificate courses with satisfactory grades. [Non-science majors who complete the certificate may be eligible to enroll in select upper division courses necessary for application to the health professions programs to which they are applying.]

[Students must contact the dean's office in the College of Natural Sciences to request the certificate during the semester in which they are completing the requirements. The certificate consists of a minimum of 18 hours. Each course presented for the certificate must be completed with a grade of at least C-]

Science Major Track

1. Complete eighteen [48] hours chosen from the following themes relevant to healthcare. Students pursuing the science major track may substitute a maximum of nine hours chosen from the optional lists that follow requirement 1.
   a. Cultural Awareness:
      i. Anthropology 322M (Topic 5: Indians of Mexico and Guatemala)
      ii. Asian American Studies 301 and Asian American Studies 310 (Topic 1: Psychological Perspectives on Asian American Identity)
      iv. Latin American Studies 324L (Topic 16: Mexican Immigration Cultural History)
      v. Mexican American Studies 307
      vi. Middle Eastern Studies 301L
      viii. Communication Sciences and Disorders 308K
   b. Health and Anatomy:
      i. Classical Civilization 306M
      ii. Educational Psychology 350L,[350L (Topic 3: Human Sexuality)] or Health Education 366, or Psychology 346K
      iii. Health Education 335, 343, 352K, 370K, and 373
      iv. Kinesiology 320, 424K, 425K, and 326K
      v. Psychology 301, 308, 332C,[Psychology] 341K (Topic 4: Health Psychology), [Psychology 346K] and [Psychology] 353K
      vi. Art History 339R
      vii. Communication Sciences and Disorders 306K
   c. Healthcare Policy:
      i. Communication Studies 322E
      ii. History 350R (Topic 18: Women in Sickness and Health)
      iii. Philosophy 325M
      iv. Nursing 309 and Nursing 321
      vii. Geography 344K, 356 (Topic 1: Children's Environmental Health), 356T (Topic 9: Human Health and the Environment), and 357
      viii. Public Health 317
      ix. 3 hours from Health Education 378D
x. Management 334M

d. Human and Societal Development:
i. Communication Studies 310K and 322E
ii. Educational Psychology 350E [360K (Topic 10: Educational Neuroscience)]
iii. Human Development and Family Sciences 304, 313, 335, 342, 343, 351, and 378K (approved topics)
iv. Nursing 310
v. Psychology 301, 308, 322C, 333D, and 341K (Topic 4: Health Psychology) [and Psychology 346K]
vi. Sociology 302, [and] 330C, and 333K
vii. Health Education 329K

e. Nutrition:
i. Communication Studies 322E
ii. History 350R (Topic 5: American Cultural History of Alcohol and Drugs)
iii. Nutrition 306, 312, 315, 218, 321, 326, [and] 331, and 332

Optional: If additional hours are needed to complete the 18 hours for the certificate, a maximum of nine hours chosen from the following may be applied to the science major track.

- Biochemistry and Chemistry: Chemistry 220C, 320M, 320N, and Biochemistry 369
- Biology: Biology 311C, 311D, and 206L
- Statistics: One of the following courses: Mathematics 316, Statistics and Data Sciences 301, 302, 304, 306, or 328M
- Additional upper-division coursework in biochemistry, biology, and chemistry by approval of the undergraduate certificate adviser

**Non-science Major Track**

1. Complete eighteen [18] hours [from one of the following areas of health professions preparation] chosen from one of the health professions preparation sequences numbered a through h. The eighteen hours may be composed of introductory coursework, advanced coursework, or a mixture of the two. [a. ii through h. ii.]

   Upon completion of the certificate, students may enroll in the advanced coursework associated with their introductory preparation, chosen from a. ii through h. ii.

   a. Pre-dental preparation:
   [i. Certificate: Introductory Coursework: Biology 311C, 311D, 206L; Chemistry 204; Physics 302K, 102M, 302L, 302N*]
   [ii. Advanced Coursework: Biochemistry 369; Biology 320, 325, 326R**; Chemistry 320M, 320N, 220C]

   b. Pre-medical preparation:
   [i. Certificate: Introductory Coursework: Biology 311C, 311D, 206L; Chemistry 204; Physics 302K, 102M, 302L, 102N *]
   [ii. Advanced Coursework: Biochemistry 369; Biology 320, 325, 326R**; Chemistry 320M, 320N, 220C]

   c. Pre-occupational therapy preparation:
   [i. Certificate: Introductory Coursework: Biology 311C, 311D, 206L; Chemistry 204; Statistics and Data Sciences 302; Physics 302K, 102M** [and one hour of additional coursework approved by the certificate adviser]]
d. Pre-optometry preparation:
   [Certificate] Introductory Coursework: Biology 311C, 311D, 206L; Chemistry 204; Statistics and Data Sciences 302; Physics 302K, 102M, 302L, 102N*
   [ii.] Advanced Coursework: Biochemistry 369; Biology 325, 326R**, 226L, 446L, 365S, 165U; Chemistry 320M, 320N, 220C

e. Pre-physical therapy preparation:
   [Certificate] Introductory Coursework: Biology 311C, 311D, 206L; Chemistry 204; Statistics and Data Sciences 302; Physics 302K, 102M, 302L, 102N*
   [ii.] Advanced Coursework: Biology 325, 446L, 365S, 165U

f. Pre-physician assistant preparation:
   [Certificate] Introductory Coursework: Biology 311C, 311D, 206L; Chemistry 204; Statistics and Data Sciences 302; Nutrition 306[; and two hours of additional coursework approved by the certificate adviser]
   [ii.] Advanced Coursework: Biochemistry 369; Biology 320, 325, 226L, 326R** 344, 446L, 365S, 165U; Chemistry 320M, 320N, 220C

g. Pre-pharmacy preparation:
   [Certificate] Introductory Coursework: Biology 311C, 311D, 206L; Chemistry 204; Statistics and Data Sciences 302; Physics 302K, 102M*[, and one hour of additional coursework approved by the certificate adviser]

h. Pre-veterinary preparation:
   [i. Certificate] Introductory Coursework: Biology 311C, 311D, 206L; Chemistry 204; Physics 302K, 102M, 302L, 102N*
   [j] Advanced Coursework: Biochemistry 369; Biology 325, 326R, 226L, 344, Chemistry 320M, 320N, 220C; Statistics and Data Sciences 321 or 328M

* A completed calculus-based physics sequence may substitute for the purpose of earning the certificate
** Previously completed Biology 326M may substitute for Biology 326R