Curriculum Change Form
(Present only one proposed curriculum change per form)
(Complete only the section(s) applicable.)

Part I

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*Provide only the information relevant to the proposal.

Proposal Approved by: Date Date
Departmental Committee 2/26/09 Graduate Council* N/A
Is this a SACS Substantive Change? Yes**** No
Council on Academic Affairs 3/19/09
College Curriculum Committee 2/27/09 Approved Disapproved
General Education Committee* N/A Faculty Senate**
Teacher Education Committee* N/A Board of Regents**

*If Applicable (Type NA if not applicable.)
**Approval needed for new, revised, or suspended programs
***Approval/Posting needed for new degree program or certificate program
****If "yes", SACS must be notified before implementation. Please contact EKU's Office of Institutional Effectiveness.

Completion of A, B, and C is required: (Please be specific, but concise.)

A. 1. Specific action requested: (Example: To increase the number of credit hours for ABC 100 from 1 to 2.)
To decrease the total curriculum requirements in the General Studies B.A. from 128 to 120 hours by decreasing free elective requirements by 8 hours
A. 2. Effective date: (Example: Fall 2001)
Fall 2009 Summer 2009
A. 3. Effective date of suspended programs for currently enrolled students: (if applicable)

B. The justification for this action: To follow the Retention and Graduation Task Force "Recommended Academic Proposals" #1 ("Decrease the current minimum of 128 semester hours needed to complete an undergraduate degree.") Better meet needs of students seeking an individualized program of study.

C. The projected cost (or savings) of this proposal is as follows:

Personnel Impact:

Operating Expenses Impact:
Part III. Recording Data for New, Revised, or Suspended Program

New or Revised* Program Text

Baccalaureate Degrees

General Studies (B.A.)

CIP Code: 24.0102

(Page 59-60 of the 2008-09 Undergraduate Catalog)

The General Studies degree program is designed for students intending to complete a baccalaureate degree whose educational objectives are not aligned with a more traditional degree program. The Bachelor of General Studies degree is intended to establish the foundation for a lifetime of continual learning and offers flexibly scheduled, highly individualized curricula. Through individualized advising, the program helps students define their educational goals and design interdisciplinary curricula drawing on a variety of course offerings. The program is also intended to allow a student who has completed most of the requirements of a major but has not yet completed the major of an approved program to complete a baccalaureate degree in a timely manner. Transfer credits from technical programs will be applied to this degree; however they may not apply to other degree programs at the University.

In addition to the baccalaureate degree requirements on page 46 of this Catalog, the following are required for students seeking a General Studies degree:

1. Students must have 18 hours within an individual college outside of and in addition to General Education requirements to receive their General Studies degree.
2. Any courses ordinarily accepted for credit by Eastern Kentucky University may be chosen as hours to apply to the 128-120 hours required for graduation.
3. Students seeking a General Studies degree must have 60 credits from a regionally accredited institution which may include completion of an AA, AS, or AAS degree.
4. Students pursuing a General Studies degree are not permitted to declare a double major, minor, or concentration.
5. Students will be considered a member of the College in which they have their 18 hour major requirement.

Major Requirements ..................................................18 hours

Courses must be within an individual College and exclusive of general education requirements.

General Education Requirements........................................48 hours

Standard General Education program. Refer to Section Four of this Catalog for details on the General Education and University requirements.

University Requirement...............................................1 hour

GSO 100.

Free Electives ...............................................................64 53 hours

Total Curriculum Requirements.................................128 120 hours