

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

Part I

(Check one) <input type="checkbox"/> New Course (Parts II, IV) <input type="checkbox"/> Course Revision (Parts II, IV) <input type="checkbox"/> Hybrid Course ("S," "W") <input type="checkbox"/> Course Dropped (Part II) <input type="checkbox"/> New Program (Part III) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Program Revision (Part III) <input type="checkbox"/> Program Suspended (Part III)	Department Name College *Course Prefix & Number *Course Title (<u>30 characters</u>) *Program Title *Provide only the information relevant to the proposal.	Department of Government Arts & Sciences Paralegal Program (Major <u>x</u> , Option __; Minor __; or Certificate __)
Proposal Approved by:		
Departmental Committee	<u>Date</u> 04/03/09	<u>Date</u> Graduate Council* N/A Council on Academic Affairs
<i>Is this a SACS Substantive Change?</i> Yes**** <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
College Curriculum Committee	Approved <u>x</u> Disapproved ____	5/21/09
General Education Committee*	N/A	Faculty Senate** Pending
Teacher Education Committee*	N/A	Board of Regents** Pending Council on Postsecondary Edu.*** N/A
*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: To decrease the total number of hours required for a Bachelor of Arts degree in Paralegal Science from 128 to 120.	
A. 2. Effective date: (Example: Fall 2001) Fall 2009	
A. 3. Effective date of suspended programs for currently enrolled students: (if applicable) N/A	
B. The justification for this action: Reducing the total graduation credits from 128 to 120: Widespread discussions have occurred across Eastern Kentucky University's campus regarding the need for students to be able to graduate with a basic undergraduate degree in 4 years by taking a full load (15 credits/semester). This action within the Paralegal Program would align us with many of our peers nationally who are seeking to achieve the same outcome. We are able to make this change while maintaining the integrity of our program. By reducing free electives to 22 hours, students will be able to achieve this goal.	
C. The projected cost (or savings) of this proposal is as follows: Personnel Impact: None Operating Expenses Impact: None Equipment/Physical Facility Needs: None	

Library Resources:

None

Part II. Recording Data for New, Revised, or Dropped Course

(For a **new required course**, complete a separate request for the appropriate program revisions.)

1. For a new course, provide the catalog text.
2. For a revised course, provide the current catalog text with the proposed text using ~~strike through~~ for deletions and underlines for additions.
3. For a dropped course, provide the current catalog text.

New or Revised* Catalog Text

(*Use ~~strike through~~ for deletions and underlines for additions. Also include Crs. Prefix, No., and description, limited to 35 words.)

Part III. Recording Data for New, Revised, or Suspended Program

1. For a new program, provide the catalog description as being proposed.
2. For a revised program, provide the current program requirements using ~~strike through~~ for deletions and underlines for additions.
3. For a suspended program, provide the current program requirements as shown in catalog. List any options and/or minors affected by the program's suspension.

New or Revised* Program Text

(*Use ~~strike through~~ for deletions and underlines for additions.)

Departmental Degree Requirements

Major Requirements40 hours

LAS 210, 220, 300, 320, 325, 350, 385, 399, 410 and 12
hours from LAS 330, 340, 360, 370, 380, 460 or 490.

Supporting Course Requirements12 hours

ACC 201, ENG 300, POL 101, and three hours from POL
460, 463, or 464.

General Education Requirements45 hours

Standard General Education program, excluding block
VB. Refer to Section Four of this *Catalog* for details on the
General Education and University requirements.

University Requirement1 hour

ASO 100.

Free Electives~~30~~ 22 hours

Total Curriculum Requirements~~128~~ 120 hours