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

Part I

(Check one)

Department Name

Department of Government

College

Arts & Sciences

*Course Prefix & Number

Paralegal Program

*Course Title (30 characters)

(Major x, Option __; Minor __; or Certificate __)

*Program Title

Proposal Approved by:

Departmental Committee

04/03/09

Graduate Council*

N/A

College Curriculum Committee

Approved x Disapproved ___

N/A

General Education Committee*

Faculty Senate**

5/21/09

Teacher Education Committee*

Board of Regents**

Pending

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

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

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**New or Revised** Catalog Text

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

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**New or Revised** Program Text

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**Departmental Degree Requirements**

**Major Requirements** ....................................................40 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 Requirements** ...............................12 hours

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

**General Education Requirements** .............................45 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 Requirement** ...........................................1 hour

ASO 100.

**Free Electives** ..........................................................30 22 hours

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