

UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM CHANGE MEMO

Date: 10/30/2022

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Through: Wendy Francis, Psychology Chair

Through: Anadeli Bencomo, Dean, College of Liberal Arts

To: Selfa Chew-Melendez, Chair, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

Proposal Title: Pre-requisite change for PSYC 3330

PSYC 3330 (Sensation and Perception) is an upper division psychology course that is among an set of courses that satisfies upper division requirements for the PSYC BA and the BS. At present it has two pre-requisites: General Experimental Psychology and associated Lab (PSYC 3201/3101) and Introductory Neuroscience (PSYC 2324 or its equivalent BIOL 2340). The latter requirement is a relatively recent one, coming into effect in the 2019-20 Catalog. It reflected the nature of the course as then taught by its instructor. That instructor has left for an administrative position, and the course as taught by its present instructor (me) does not require that level of knowledge of neuroscience. Also, we have a shortage of upper division seats available to our majors and an unnecessary pre-requisite (PSYC 2324 is not a required course for PSYC majors) restricts the upper division options open to our majors. So, we are requesting the removal of PSYC 2324 (and its equivalent BIOL 2340) from the list of pre-requisites for PSYC 3330.

COURSE CHANGE FORM

All fields below are required

College : Liberal Arts

Department : Psychology

Rationale for changing the course:

The PSYC 2324 (and its equivalent BIOL 2340) requirement does not reflect the course content as presently taught. Also we have a shortage of upper division seats available to our majors and an unnecessary pre-requisite (PSYC 2324 is not a required course for PSYC majors) restricts the upper division options open to our majors.

All fields below are required

Subject Prefix and number PSYC 3330

Course Title Sensation and Perception

Change	From	To
Ex. Prerequisite	Ex. POLS 2310	Ex. POLS 2312
PSYC 3330 Prerequisite(s)	(BIOL 2340 w/C or better) OR (PSYC 2324 w/C or better) AND (PSYC 3101 w/C or better AND PSYC 3201 w/C or better)	PSYC 3101 w/C or better) AND PSYC 3201 w/C or better)

These changes will be reflected in Banner, Goldmine, and the catalog

CURRICULUM PROPOSAL

APPROVAL PAGE

Proposal Title: Pre-requisite change to PSYC 3330

College: Liberal Arts Department: Psychology

DEPARTMENT CHAIR- Dr. Wendy Francis

I have read the enclosed proposal and approve this proposal on behalf of the department.

10/03/2022

Signature

Date

COLLEGE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE CHAIR – Dr. Selfa Chew-Melendez

I have read the enclosed documents and approve the proposal on behalf of the college curriculum committee.

Signature

Date

COLLEGE DEAN – Dr. Anadeli Bencomo

I have read the enclosed documents and approve the proposal on behalf of the college. I certify that the necessary funds will be allocated by the college in support of this proposal.

Signature

Date