## **CURRICULUM CHANGE PROPOSAL**

# **APPROVAL PAGE**

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College:	Liberal Arts	Department: Sociolo	gy & Anthropology			
DEPARTMENT CHAIR- Dr. Howard Campbell						
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COLLEGE DEAN - Insert Dean Name						
have read the enclosed documents and approve the proposal on behalf of the college. I certify hat the necessary funds will be allocated by the college in support of this proposal.						
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#### UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM CHANGE MEMO

Date:

August 23, 2018

From:

Dr. Ophra Leyser-Whalen, Department of Sociology & Anthropology

Through:

Chair, Department

Through:

Dean, College

To:

Chair, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

Proposal Title: Removal of Methods Prerequisite for Sociological Theory Course

I am proposing a removal of the "Methods of Research," SOCI 3311 prerequisite in order to take "General Sociological Theory," SOCI 4301. Having the Methods prerequisite for Theory creates bottlenecks for our majors and professors. Because these are both upper-level courses, undergraduates take these courses in their last 1-2 years. Thus, bottlenecks are created where courses fill early and those students who cannot get into courses are forced to wait another semester. As such, many students are forced to wait until right before graduation. Professors then are bombarded with emails from students and professors then must ask the office to process countless capacity waivers to allow students into already full courses.

A knowledge of social science methods is not necessary background material for the Theory course, thus I believe that the removal of the prerequisite will make registration easier for students and professors.

### **COURSE CHANGE FORM**

#### All fields below are required

College: Liberal Arts

**Department**: Sociology & Anthropology

Rationale for changing the course:

Removing prerequisit of SOCI 3311 is needed for SOCI 4301

All fields below are required

Subject Prefix and number SOCI 4301

**Course Title Social Theory** 

Change	From	То	
Ex. Prerequisite	Ex. POLS 2310	Ex. POLS 2312	
Prerequisite	SOCI 3311 and SOCI 1301	just SOCI 1301	