

# CURRICULUM CHANGE PROPOSAL

## APPROVAL PAGE

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College: Liberal Arts

Department: Sociology & Anthropology

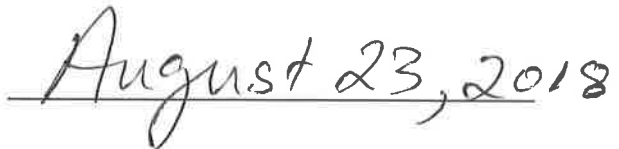
DEPARTMENT CHAIR- Dr. Howard Campbell

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



Signature



Date

COLLEGE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE CHAIR - Insert Chair Name

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

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COLLEGE DEAN - Insert Dean Name

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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.

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Signature

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Date

## 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

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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.

