Kendra Cochrane has submitted a request for a major curricular change. His/her email address is: klhash@wsu.edu.

Requested change: Revise or Drop Graduate Plan

Degree: MS Experimental Psychology

Title: Thesis

Requested Effective Date: Fall 2020

Revise plan requirement: Yes

Dean: Swindell, Samantha - CAS,

Chair: Marcus, David,

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Catalog Subcommittee Approval Date	AAC, PHSC, or GSC Approval Date	Faculty Senate Approval Date

1. I approve this proposal in its current form.

David Marcus

From: curriculum.submit@wsu.edu [mailto:curriculum.submit@wsu.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, September 25, 2019 9:57 AM
To: Marcus, David <david.marcus@wsu.edu>; Swindell, Samantha <sswindell@wsu.edu>
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2. I approve this proposal with revisions. Revisions are attached.

3. I do not approve this proposal. Please return to submitter.

If you do not respond within one week, you will be sent a reminder email. If no response is received within three weeks of the submission date, the proposal will be returned to the submitter.

Thank you for your assistance as we embark on this new process. If you have any questions or concerns, please let us know wsu.curriculum@wsu.edu.

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Rationale For Course List Changes

Adding Psych 523 and Psych 529 to Experimental psychology core course options.
Psych 523 (Health Psychology) and Psych 529 (Occupational Health Psychology) reflect the research interests of faculty and students in the Experimental Psychology doctoral program. Adding these courses to the core options list reflects the current research interest of the faculty and ensures students pursuing health-related research get the necessary background.

Changing required courses from core course list to 3 courses. The current requirement is for students to take two courses from the core course list. Given that there will be more course options with the approval of adding Psych 523 and Psych 529 to the core course list, the Experimental program faculty voted to increase this requirement to three courses. Doing so ensures more background in a variety of topics related to Psychology. Note that this does not change the overall graded course requirements, but rather removes a required elective course.

Removal of Psych 591 (Principles of Learning) from the course catalog. There are no plans to offer this course in the future. Students who are interested may take Psych 491. Of the 26 required graded credit hours to earn a PhD in this program, 6 credits can be earned from upper division undergraduate courses.

These changes have been voted on and approved by the Experimental Psychology program faculty.

Experimental Psychology MS (Thesis):

- *Core Requirements: must complete all of the following (9 credits):*
  - PSYCH 504 (3 cr), PSYCH 511 (3 cr), PSYCH 512 (3 cr)
- *Core Electives: must complete at least three courses from the following (8 credits minimum):*
  - PHIL 530* (2 cr) or PHIL 540* (3 cr), PSYCH 519 (3 cr), PSYCH 523 (3 cr), PSYCH 529 (3 cr), PSYCH 550 (3 cr), PSYCH 574 (3 cr), , PSYCH 592 (3 cr)
    - *PHIL 530 is targeted for students conducting animal research only while PHIL 540 is intended for those conducting social science research with human participants; industrial/organization students may elect to take MGTOP 587.*
- *Current Research in Psychology: 2 credits minimum:*
  - PSYCH 506 (1 cr)
- *Non-Graded Credits (1 credit):*
  - PSYCH 510 (1 cr)
- *Recommended Electives (4 credits minimum):*
  - Students are encouraged to select graded elective courses from the recommended electives for their area of concentration. These are selected in consultation with the committee. See the Graduate Student Handbook for the list of recommendations.*
    - *Students who expect to teach intro PSYCH in the 2nd year must enroll in PSYCH 505 in their 2nd semester and students who expect to teach a Global Campus course must enroll in PSYCH 510 in their 2nd semester.*
- *Research Credits: 4 credits minimum:*
  - PSYCH 700
- *Total Graded Credits: 21 credits minimum*
- *Total Credits: 30 credits minimum*

Applicable Graduate School Requirements:

- *Graded Credits: 21 credits minimum:*
  - Students may use a maximum of 6 credits of undergraduate coursework (300-400)
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