



UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

September 8, 2006

Mark A. Emmert, President

Dean Harry Bruce
The Information School
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Dear Harry:

Based on the recommendation of its Subcommittee on Admissions and Programs, the Faculty Council on Academic Standards has recommended approval of the revised admission requirements for the Bachelor of Science degree in Informatics. A copy of the changes is attached.

I am writing to inform you that the Information School is authorized to specify these requirements beginning autumn quarter 2006.

The new requirements should be incorporated in printed statements and in individual department websites as soon as possible. The *General Catalog* website will be updated accordingly by the Registrar's Office.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark".

Mark A. Emmert
President

Enclosure

cc: Mariko Navin (with enclosure)
Mr. Robert Corbett (with enclosure)
Dr. Deborah H. Wiegand (with enclosure)
Todd Mildon, J.D. (with enclosure INFO-20060728)



Creating & Changing Undergraduate Academic Programs

INFO - 20060728

College: Information School Department or Unit: Informatics Date: July 28, 2006

New Programs

- Leading to a Bachelor of _____ in _____ degree
- Leading to a Bachelor of _____ degree with a major in _____
- Leading to a _____ Option within the existing major in _____
- Leading to a Minor in _____

Changes to existing programs

- New Admission Requirements for the Major in _____ within the Bachelor of _____
- Revised Admission Requirements for the Major in _____ within the Bachelor of _____
- Revised Program Requirements for the Major in _____ within the Bachelor of _____
- Revised Requirements for the Option in _____ within the major in _____
- Revised Requirements for the Minor in _____

Other Changes

- Change name of program from _____ to _____
- New or Revised Continuation Policy for _____
- Eliminate **"start" date when applications for the Informatics can be accepted**

Proposed Effective Date: (quarter/year) Autumn 2006 (or as soon as possible)

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1. Explanation of and Rationale for Proposed Change: (Please use additional pages if necessary. For new programs, please include any relevant supporting documentation such as student learning outcomes, projected enrollments, letters of support, and departmental bandouts.)

The Informatics program would like to eliminate the "application-accepting start date" of February 1 effective the 2006-07 year

The Informatics program currently accepts applications only during a pre-defined window of time, between Feb. 1 and April 15. The "start" date for accepting applications is an artifact from when the program was first launched, and we have come to see that it does not serve any purpose. In fact, it creates idiosyncrasies in the application timelines for freshman and transfer applicants (whose university application deadlines are in December and January). Consequently, we would like to remove the application start date so that applications can be accepted at any time. The application deadline of April 15 will remain unchanged.

The application review process will also remain unaffected. Admissions decisions are made upon review of students' complete application (including coursework through spring quarter), and decisions are not now, nor in the future, be made simply on a first-come, first-serve basis.

We seek permission to remove the February 1 start date from the new publications (print and electronic) which go to print over the summer.

* For information about when and how to use this form please go to <http://www.washington.edu/faculty/facsenate/councils/cas/1503/>.

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2. Catalog Copy

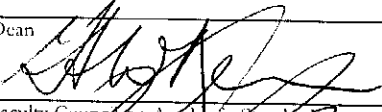
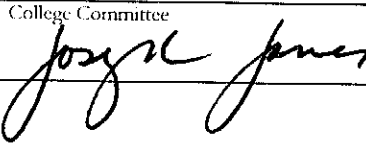
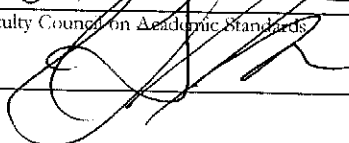
A. Catalog Copy as Currently Written *(Include only sections/paragraphs that would be changed if your request is approved. Please cross out or otherwise highlight any deletions.)*

4. Application deadline is April 15. Students apply online at www.ischool.washington.edu between February 1 and April 15. Admission is for autumn quarter only.

B. Proposed Catalog Copy, Reflecting Requested Changes *(Include exact wording as you wish it to be shown in the printed catalog. Please underline or otherwise highlight any additions. If needed, attach a separate, expanded version of the changes that might appear in department publications.)*

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3. Signatures *(required)*

Chair/Program Director	Date	Dean	Date
<i>Scott F. Barker</i>	<i>7/28/06</i>		<i>7/28/06</i>
College Committee	Date	Faculty Council on Academic Standards	Date
	<i>7/28/06</i>		<i>SEPT-7, 2006</i>