

## UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

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Mark A. Emmert, President

February 12, 2007

Dean Harry Bruce The Information School Box 352840

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 and program 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 2007.

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,

Mark

Mark A. Emmert President

**Enclosure** 

cc: Cris Mesling (with enclosure)

Mr. Robert Corbett (with enclosure)

Dr. Deborah H. Wiegand (with enclosure)

Todd Mildon, J.D. (with enclosure INFO-20061227)

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For information about when and how to use this form: http://depts.washington.edu/uwcr/1503instructions.pdf Department or Unit Date 12/27/06 The Information School **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 Informatics within the Bachelor of Science Revised Program Requirements for the Major in Informatics within the Bachelor of Science Revised Requirements for the Option in \_\_\_\_\_\_ within the major in \_\_\_\_\_ Revised Requirements for the Minor in \_\_\_\_\_ Other Changes ☐ New or Revised Continuation Policy for ☐ Eliminate program in Proposed Effective Date: Quarter: ✓ Autumn ☐ Winter ☐ Spring ☐ Summer Year: 20 07 Contact's Email Contact's Phone Contact Person 206\_ 616 \_ 1154 crism@u.washington.edu Cris Meslina EXPLANATION OF AND RATIONALE FOR PROPOSED CHANGE For new programs, please include any relevant supporting documentation such as student learning outcomes, projected enrollments, letters of support and departmental handouts. (Use additional pages if necessary). Revised Admission Requirements: We propose adding Quantitative Methods (QMETH) 201 as a class that will prepare students for success in the Informatics program. QMETH 201 will be an alternative prerequisite to Statistics (STAT) 311, meaning students must complete either one or the other prior to admission into the Informatics program. Revised Program Requirements: Moving the existing Informatics admissions prerequisite Computer Science & Engineering (CSE) 143 into the program requirements for the major will allow for a more diverse population of applicants while maintaining the technical rigor of the program. UpW 1503 (12/05)

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## **CURRENT CATALOG COPY:**

#### Program Prerequisites: (24 credits)

- INFO 100 Fluency in Information Technology\* (5 credits)
   \*INFO 100 is waived for those students who have already completed CSE 142, an equivalent or higher course. (See note under Major Electives.)
- □ CSE 142 Computer Programming for Engineers and Scientists I (4 credits)
- □ CSE 143 Computer Programming for Engineers and Scientists I (5 credits)\*
- □ STAT 311 Elements of Statistical Methods (5 credits)
- one English composition course selected from the University list (5 credits)

#### Major Coursework: (68 -73 credits)

### Human-Centered Strand (20 credits)

- INFO 310 Individual Perspectives on Information Systems (5 credits)
- INFO 311 Organizational, Societal, and Global Perspectives on Information Systems (5 credits)
- □ INFO 320 Information Needs, Searching, and Presentation (5 credits)
- □ INFO 380 Information Systems, Analysis, and Management (5 credits)

#### Technical Strand (13 credits)

- □ CSE 373 Data Structures and Algorithms (Prereq: CSE 143) (3 credits)
- INFO 340 Database Management and Information Retrieval (Prereq: CSE 373)
   (5 credits)
- □ INFO 341 Computer Networks and Distributed Applications (5 credits)

# Integrated Strand (23 credits)

- INFO 300 Intellectual Foundations of Informatics (5 credits)
- INFO 440 Design Methods for Interaction and Systems (Prereq: CSE 373, INFO 300) (5 credits)
- □ INFO 470 Research Methods in Informatics (Prereq: STAT 311) (5 credits)
- □ Informatics Capstone (8 credits). One of the following:
  - > INFO 490 Design and Development of Interactive Systems (Prereq: INFO 340, 341, 380, and 440)
  - > INFO 491 Research in Informatics (Prereq: INFO 310, 380, 440, and 470)

# Major Electives (Minimum 12-17 credits\*).

- ☐ Complete at least 12 additional credits from among upper-division Informatics electives or courses from outside departments as approved. (For more information, see
  - http://www.ischool.washington.edu/informatics/majorelectives.aspx
- Students admitted without INFO 100 must take a minimum of 17 Major Elective credits.

#### PROPOSED CATALOG COPY:

#### Program Prerequisites: (18-19 credits)

- □ INFO 100 Fluency in Information Technology\* (5 credits) \*INFO 100 is waived for those students who have already completed CSE 142, an equivalent or higher course. (See note under Major Electives.)
- CSE 142 Computer Programming for Engineers and Scientists I (4 credits)
- STAT 311 Elements of Statistical Methods (5 credits) OR QMETH 201 Introduction to Statistical Methods (4 credits)
- one English composition course selected from the University list (5 credits)

#### Major Coursework: (73 - 78 credits)

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