



# UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

November 2, 2006

*Mark A. Emmert, President*

Dean Ron Irving  
College of Arts and Sciences  
Box 353765

Dear Ron:

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 a Bachelor of Science degree in Physics. A copy of the changes is attached.

I am writing to inform you that the Physics department is authorized to specify these requirements beginning winter 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 A. Emmert  
President

Enclosure

cc: Margot Nims (with enclosure)  
Mr. Robert Corbett (with enclosure)  
Dr. Deborah H. Wiegand (with enclosure)  
Todd Mildon, J.D. (with enclosure PHYS-20060623)



**Creating & Changing Undergraduate Academic Programs\***  
After college/school review, send signed original and 8 copies to: University Registrar, 355850

College: Arts and Sciences Department or Unit: Physics Date: 06/23/06

**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 PHYSICS within the Bachelor of SCIENCE
- 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 program in \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Effective Date: (quarter/year) WSN/07

Contact Person	Phone Number	Email
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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 handouts.)

Currently incoming freshmen or transfer students can mark Physics as their intended major prior to enrollment. Due to the wording of Physics' current admissions requirement, once a student becomes matriculated they are automatically declared without visiting the department and signing the necessary paperwork to confirm that Physics is their intended major. By requiring students to visit the office we are able to better ensure that Physics makes a good fit for their interests and initial contact with the student has been made.

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

Students in good academic standing may declare this major at any time.

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.)*

Enrolled students in good academic standing may declare the major at any time. Students must complete the necessary paperwork to declare by visiting the department office ~~in C139A~~  
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### 3. Signatures *(required)*

Chair/Program Director <i>David B. Berube</i>	Date <i>7/17/06</i>	Dean <i>Ronald L. Livingston</i>	Date <i>SEP 27 2006</i>
<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>SEP 27 2006</i>	Faculty Council on Academic Standards <i>[Signature]</i>	Date <i>10-27-06</i>