

**DEGREE/PROGRAM CHANGE
FORM C**

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Division

Program PhD in Physics

Branch

Proposed effective term:

Semester Spring ▼ Year 2010 ▼

Course Information

Select Appropriate Program Graduate Degree Program ▼ CIP Code

Name of New or Existing Program * PhD in Physics

Catalog Page Number 266 Select Category Degree ▼ Degree Type PhD

Select Action Revision ▼

Exact Title and Requirements as they should appear in the catalog.

See current catalog for format within the respective college (enter text below or upload a doc/pdf file)

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This Change affects other departmental program/branch campuses

Reason(s) for Request * (enter text below or upload a doc/pdf file)

To strengthen the core requirements for the PhD.

Statements to address budgetary and Faculty Load Implications and Long-range planning * (enter text below or upload a doc/pdf file)

The frequency with which the course is offered (once a year) will remain unaffected and, therefore, there will be no impact on the budgetary and faculty load, or long-range planning.

Ph.D. in Physics

The Doctor of Philosophy in Physics requires a minimum of 48 semester hours of graduate work **exclusive of dissertation**. These hours must include PHYC *466, 503, 505, 511, 521, 522/ASTR 537, four seminars (PHYC 500 and/or 501), and four electives chosen from a list of courses specified on the Department's website at: <http://panda.unm.edu/Acadadv/handbk.html>. Details *must* be discussed with a graduate advisor each semester.