DEGREE/PROGRAM CHANGE FORM C Form Number: C1594

Fields marked with * are required Phone Number: 505 277-5250 Name of Initiator: Ana Parra Lombard Email: alombard@unm.edu Date: 12-18-2014 Initiator's Title Coord, Program Advisement: Mathematics Statistics Associated Forms exist? No Faculty Contact Gabriel Huerta Administrative Contact Ana Parra Lombard Department Mathematics & Statistics Admin Email alombard@unm.edu Branch Main Admin Phone 75250 Proposed effective term Year 2016 Semester **Course Information** Select Appropriate Program | Graduate Degree Program Name of New or Existing Program PhD Statistics Degree Type PhD Select Category Major Select Action Revision Exact Title and Requirements as they should appear in the catalog. If there is a change, upload current and proposed requirements. See current catalog for format within the respective college (upload a doc/pdf file) Stat PhD catalog entry information 2-2-15.docx Does this change affect other departmental program/branch campuses? If yes, indicate below. Reason(s) for Request (enter text below or upload a doc/pdf file) Per the recommendation of the Statistics faculty about the Ph.D. in Statistics program requirements as listed in the UNM catalog... Where it reads the "The following courses are required for Ph.D. students: STAT 546, 556, 557 and 567" We want to change it to "The following courses are required for Ph.D. students: STAT 546, 556, Advanced Probability becomes elective and Stat 547 is now required for Ph.D. students. Stat 547 is more pertinent to the program. Changes in PhD Statistics Justification.docx

Upload a document that inlcudes justification for the program, impact on long-range planning, detailed budget analysis and faculty workload implications.(upload a doc/pdf file)

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Are you proposing a new undergraduate degree or new undergraduate certificate? If yes, upload the following documents.

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Current requirements:

The Doctor of Philosophy in Statistics degree is offered by the Statistics Program. Knowledge of a computer language is required, but knowledge of a foreign language is not. General requirements for the Ph.D. include 18 credit hours of course work above the Master's level. No more than 6 of these credit hours may be taken in reading or special topics. 18 credit hours of dissertation is required for the Ph.D. in Statistics. Students who enter the Ph.D. program with a Master's degree are expected to take the Ph.D. qualifying examination as soon as possible and no later than one year after admission. The following courses are required for the Ph.D. students: STAT 546, 556, 557, and 567.

With proposed change:

The Doctor of Philosophy in Statistics degree is offered by the Statistics Program. Knowledge of a computer language is required, but knowledge of a foreign language is not. General requirements for the Ph.D. include 18 credit hours of course work above the Master's level. No more than 6 of these credit hours may be taken in reading or special topics. 18 credit hours of dissertation is required for the Ph.D. in Statistics. Students who enter the Ph.D. program with a Master's degree are expected to take the Ph.D. qualifying examination as soon as possible and no later than one year after admission. The following courses are required for the Ph.D. students: STAT 546, 556, 557, and 547.

Changes in PhD Statistics Justification:

Per the request of the faculty, Stat 567 no longer is offered enough to be a required course and Stat 547 is more pertinent to the program.

This will not cost more money in instruction. In fact, trying to re-staff Stat 567 "Advanced Probability" class instead will require hiring an expert in Probability which the department currently does not have.