

GRADUATE COUNCIL: PROPOSAL FOR CHANGE IN EXISTING COURSE/PROGRAM

Originating Unit Department of Physics & Astronomy

Type of action: change in course change in program

Type of change requested:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Number | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Course Title |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Description | <input type="checkbox"/> Prerequisite(s) Program |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drop Course | <input type="checkbox"/> Requirements |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drop Program* | <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify |

**A SACSCOC Drop Program Justification form will need to be completed*

Semester and year course/program will take effect: Fall 2024

Course instructional methodology:

course component types: [ugradcouncil.tcu.edu/forms/Course Component Types.pdf](http://ugradcouncil.tcu.edu/forms/Course%20Component%20Types.pdf)

Current name: PHYS 50713 - Contemporary Topics in Physics (3)

Proposed name: PHYS 50713 - Contemporary Topics in Physics & Astronomy (3)

Appropriate computer abbreviation (30 spaces or less):

PHYS 50713 - Cont. Topics in Phys. & Astro.

Programs Only

Current program code:

(ex:EDCE-PHD)

Proposed code (list 2) _____ or _____

Current CIP code:

Does the change require a new or change in CIP code: Yes No

If yes, what is the proposed new CIP code:

*for reference please visit: nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipcode/resources.aspx?y=56

Is the program already considered TCU STEM: Yes No

Does the change include a request to be a TCU STEM program: Yes No

Description of change (omit if dropping a course or program):

We request corrections to the catalog descriptions of the course because the Department performed a detailed overhaul of the undergraduate PHYS courses.

Present Catalog Copy

Prerequisite: Permission of department chair. Regularly scheduled course on a subject of interest to students and faculty. Possible topics: Acoustics, Biophysics, Mathematical Physics, Modern Optics, and Nuclear Physics.

Proposed Catalog Copy:

Prerequisite: Permission of department chair. Three hours of lecture in an area of physics & astronomy of current interest.

Supporting evidence or justification:

The Department performed a detailed overhaul of the undergraduate PHYS courses.

Explain how the change(s) will affect the current outcomes and assessment mechanisms?

The changes will not require additional faculty support and any other impact on other current departmental listings and assessment mechanisms.

Additional resources required

Faculty:

Space:

Equipment:

Library:

Financial Aid:

Other:

Change in teaching load:

Does this change affect any other units of the University? Yes No

If yes, submit supporting statement signed by chair of affected unit.

If cross-listed, provide evidence of approval by all curriculum committees appropriate to both the originating and the cross-listed units.

Chair of Originating Unit:

Name:

Unit:

Signature:

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