

University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
Curriculum Proposal Form #6

Other Curricular Action

Effective Term: 2097 (Fall 2009)

Description of Action: NCFD policies

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Department(s): Communication

College(s): Arts and Communications

Proposal Information:

(Procedures can be found at <http://acadaff.uww.edu/Handbook/Procedures-Form6.htm>)

Proposal:

We would like to clarify our department's policy on NCFD students taking 700 level courses.

Here is the old policy (as published in the Graduate Catalogue):

FROM:

Students whose undergraduate academic performance would place them in probationary entry status are encouraged to enroll as Noncandidates for Degree (NCFD) and to register for at most nine units of graduate coursework in Communication (not to include any 700 level courses). Entry into the graduate program in good standing may then be possible with a NCFD grade point average of 3.0 (B) or higher.

Here is the new policy:

TO:

Students whose undergraduate academic performance would place them in probationary entry status are encouraged to enroll as Noncandidates for Degree (NCFD) and to register for at most 12 units of graduate coursework in Communication. Entry into the graduate program on probation may then be possible with a NCFD grade point average of 3.0 (B) or higher. All undergraduate deficiencies must be completed prior to registering for any related 700 level courses as a NCFD.

Justification:

The department is seeking to clarify its admission process and to clearly publish and publicize the process to current students and interested applicants. We have increased the number of credits a NCFD can take before applying to the program from 9 to 12 to be more in line with graduate school policy.

