

## REQUEST TO COLLEGE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE FOR CURRICULAR IMPROVEMENTS

DEPARTMENT: CS PROPOSED EFFECTIVE SEMESTER: Spring 2015 COLLEGE: CEAS

## PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

## Academic Program

- ☐ New degree\*  
☐ New major\*  
☐ New curriculum\*  
☐ New concentration\*  
☐ New certificate  
☐ New minor  
☐ Revised major  
☐ Revised minor  
☐ Admission requirements  
☐ Graduation requirements  
☐ Deletion ☐ Transfer  
☐ Other (explain\*\*)

## Substantive Course Changes

- ☐ New course  
☒ Pre or Co-requisites  
☐ Deletion (required by others)  
☐ Course #, different level  
☐ Credit hours  
☐ Enrollment restriction  
☐ Course-level restriction  
☐ Prefix ☐ Title and description  
 (attach current & proposed)  
☐ General education (select one)  
 Not Applicable  
☐ Other (explain\*\*)

## Misc. Course Changes

- ☒ Title  
☒ Description (attach current & proposed)  
☐ Deletion (not required by others)  
☐ Course #, same level  
☐ Variable credit  
☐ Credit/no credit  
☐ Cross-listing  
☐ COGE reapproval  
☒ Other (explain\*\*)

\*\* Other: A minimum grade of B in the prerequisite courses

Title of degree, curriculum, major, minor, concentration, or certificate:

Existing course prefix and #: CS6600 Proposed course prefix and #: Credit hours:

Existing course title: Software Engineering I: Formal Specifications of Software Systems

Proposed course title: Software Engineering

Existing course prerequisite &amp; co-requisite(s): CS 3310 or CS 4310, and MATH1450

Proposed course prerequisite(s): CS5310

If there are multiple prerequisites, connect with "and" or "or". To remove prerequisites, enter "none."

Proposed course co-requisite(s)

If there are multiple corequisites, they are always joined by "and."

Proposed course prerequisite(s) that can also be taken concurrently:

Is there a minimum grade for the prerequisites or corequisites?

A minimum grade of B in the prerequisite courses.

Major/minor or classification restrictions:

List the Banner 4 character codes and whether they should be included or excluded.

For 5000 level prerequisites & corequisites: Do these apply to: (circle one) undergraduates graduates both

## Specifications for University Schedule of Classes:

a. Course title (maximum of 30 spaces): Software System Design and Implementation

b. Multi-topic course: ☒ No ☐ Yesc. Repeatable for credit: ☒ No ☐ Yesd. Mandatory credit/no credit: ☒ No ☐ Yes

e. Type of class and contact hours per week (check type and indicate hours as appropriate)

1. ☐ Lecture3. ☒ Lecture/lab/discussion5. ☐ Independent study2. ☐ Lab or discussion4. ☐ Seminar or ☐ studio6. ☐ Supervision or practicum

CIP Code (Registrar's use only):

Chair/Director

Date

Chair, College Curriculum Committee

Date

Dean

Date:

Graduate Dean:

Date

Curriculum Manager: Return to dean ☐ Date

Forward to:

Date

Chair, COGE/ PEB / FS President

Date

## FOR PROPOSALS REQUIRING GSC/USC REVIEW:

\* ☐ Approve ☐ Disapprove

Chair, GSC/USC

Date

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1. Explain briefly and clearly the proposed improvement.

This proposed improvement is to change the title of CS6600 from "Software Engineering I: Formal Specifications of Software Systems" to "Software Engineering". The corresponding course description is also updated to reflect this. Proposed description is: "This course introduces software life cycles with the concentration on software design and implementation. Students will apply various techniques and tools to design and implement a software system. Examples and exercises illustrating the use of several techniques and tools will be given. Student teams will be expected to complete a large project using one of the techniques/tools presented." Also, we drop MATH1450 as prerequisite since this course as an engineering course does not require many specific mathematical skills covered in MATH1450. CS5310 suffices to provide the required foundation.

A minimum grade of B in the prerequisite courses.

2. Rationale. Give your reason(s) for the proposed improvement. (If your proposal includes prerequisites, justify those, too.)

With the rapid development in the field of software engineering, the topics in current teaching are broader than specifications of software systems. Software design and implementation allows more recent topics to be covered. In addition, CS6610 no longer requires CS6600 as prerequisite. Sequential numbers of I and II associated with CS6600 and CS6610, respectively, will unnecessarily discourage those students who did not take CS6600 to register CS6610.

3. Effect on other colleges, departments or programs. If consultation with others is required, attach evidence of consultation and support. If objections have been raised, document the resolution. Demonstrate that the program you propose is not a duplication of an existing one.

None.

4. Effect on your department's programs. Show how the proposed change fits with other departmental offerings.

The perspective students will have a better understanding of what they expect to learn from the course.

5. Effects on enrolled students: Are program conflicts avoided? Will your proposal make it easier or harder for students to meet graduation requirements? Can students complete the program in a reasonable time? Show that you have considered scheduling needs and demands on students' time. If a required course will be offered during summer only, provide a rationale.

None.

6. Student or external market demand. What is your anticipated student audience? What evidence of student or market demand or need exists? What is the estimated enrollment? What other factors make your proposal beneficial to students?

No change.

7. Effects on resources. Explain how your proposal would affect department and University resources, including faculty, equipment, space, technology, and library holdings. Tell how you will staff additions to the program. If more advising will be needed, how will you provide for it? How often will course(s) be offered? What will be the initial one-time costs and the ongoing base-funding costs for the proposed program? (Attach additional pages, as necessary.)

None.

8. General education criteria. For a general education course, indicate how this course will meet the criteria for the area or proficiency. (See the General Education Policy for descriptions of each area and proficiency and the criteria. Attach additional pages as necessary. Attach a syllabus if (a) proposing a new course, (b) requesting certification for baccalaureate-level writing, or (c) requesting reapproval of an existing course.) N/A

9. List the learning outcomes for the proposed course or the revised or proposed major, minor, or concentration. These are the outcomes that the department will use for future assessments of the course or program. N/A

10. Describe how this curriculum change is a response to assessment outcomes that are part of a departmental or college assessment plan or informal assessment activities. N/A

11. (Undergraduate proposals only) Describe, in detail, how this curriculum change affects transfer articulation for Michigan community colleges. For course changes, include detail on necessary changes to transfer articulation from Michigan community college courses. For new majors or minors, describe transfer guidelines to be developed with Michigan community colleges. For revisions to majors or minors, describe necessary revisions to Michigan community college guidelines. Department chairs should seek assistance from college advising directors or from the admissions office in completing this section. N/A

## Current Catalog Description:

### CS 6600 - Software Engineering I: Formal Specifications of Software Systems

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Introduction to various models of software life cycles and formal methods for specifying requirements and design. Students will be introduced to a number of formal systems using axiomatic specification, abstract models (e.g., VDM), set theoretic systems (e.g., Z), predicate logic systems (e.g., Larch), and specification based on programming languages such as Alphard, CLU, and Ada. Also discussed will be formal specification of real-time systems using Petri Nets, PAISLEY, CSP, SF and others. Examples and exercises illustrating the use of several formal systems will be given. Student teams will be expected to complete the specification of requirements and design of a project using one of the methods presented.

**Prerequisites/Corequisites:** Prerequisite: CS3310 or CS 4310, and MATH 1450.

## The proposed catalog description:

### CS 6600 – Software Engineering

This course introduces software life cycles with the concentration on software design and implementation. Students will apply various techniques and tools to design and implement a software system. Examples and exercises illustrating the use of several techniques and tools will be given. Student teams will be expected to complete a large project using one of the techniques/tools presented.

**Prerequisites/Corequisites:** Prerequisite: CS5310