



University Policy Statement

UPS 411.105

SUPPORT COURSES

A support course is a course required or recommended for a major (including options, concentrations, emphases), minor, or certificate by one academic unit and offered by another academic unit.¹

When changing a support course (e.g., deletion of course, unit value shift, prerequisites change, addition or deletion of major course topics, reduction in course scheduling), the academic unit offering the support course shall consult with all concerned academic units that rely on the support course.

When adding, modifying, or terminating program requirements involving support courses, the academic units that require or recommend the service course shall consult with the academic unit(s) that offer the support course.

Consultation must occur at least one semester prior to planned implementation, and evidence of such consultation shall be sent to the chair(s) of the relevant academic unit(s) and the dean(s) of their college(s). The matter may be referred to the University Curriculum Committee, General Education Committee, or Graduate Education Committee for mediation when (1) such additions or changes appear impractical or incompatible to either the offering or the served academic unit or (2) challenges to such additions or changes are presented in writing to the relevant college dean(s) by the chair(s) of one or more concerned academic unit(s).

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¹ Such courses are sometimes called "collateral" or "co-related" courses. However, "support course" is the preferred term.