



## SECTION V: Proposed Changes to an Existing Program or Program Policies

Insert here a statement of the exact changes to be made: Offer the Graduate Certificate in Enterprise Systems online as well as face to face delivery.

Check if either of these boxes apply and provide the necessary signature:

- Program change proposal adds courses offered by another academic college, and that college dean's office has been notified. The signature of the dean of that academic college is required here: \_\_\_\_\_
- Program change proposal deletes courses offered by another academic college, and that college dean's office has been notified. The signature of the dean of that academic college is required here: \_\_\_\_\_

Check all the boxes that apply and complete the required sections of the form:

- Change of Name and Code (Complete only sections I, II, V and VII.)
- Change Course Requirements: (Complete all sections of the form except "Proposed Name" in II, section III, and section IV.)
- Change Delivery Site/Method (Complete all sections of the form except "Proposed Name" in II, section III, and section IV.)
- Change Total Hours (Complete all sections of the form except "Proposed Name" in II, section III, and section IV.)
- Change in Program Policies

## SECTION VI: Justification

*Justify this change and state its likely effect on any other degree program (including those outside the school or college). Identify any program or program components (other than courses) to be eliminated if this program is implemented. (Program and course change forms must also be submitted for such related changes.)*

**Beginning around 2001, Information Systems (IS) and Computer Science programs experienced a sharp decline in enrollment which, though improving, has led to a significant gap between the demand for skilled IS professionals and the supply of available talent. Based on analysis of projected growth in IS-related fields, current economic conditions, and the continued shortage of skilled professionals, an opportunity exists to provide a program which enables individuals from any background to gain the knowledge and skills needed to transition to a career in IS, or to provide individuals already in IS careers with knowledge and skills in high-growth IS disciplines.**

**The proposed online offering of the graduate certificate (in addition to the on campus offering) will provide opportunities to develop knowledge and skills in Enterprise Information Systems, Business Analytics, or Enterprise Resource Planning Systems through hands-on experience with large-scale enterprise systems and real-world data sets. An online certificate will afford access to students who wish to enhance their Enterprise Information Systems, Business Analytics, or Enterprise Resource Planning Systems skills in preparation for the workplace.**

## SECTION VII: Catalog Text and Format

*In the box below, insert the current catalog text which is to be changed, with changes highlighted with the color yellow. Include all proposed changes identified in Section V. Only changes explicitly stated in Section V will be considered for approval by the University Course and Programs Committee, the Graduate Council and the Faculty Senate. If you are proposing a new program, give proposed text with all of the elements listed below. If you are proposing modified text, include these elements as appropriate.*

**Include the following elements, in order, in the catalog text for proposed undergraduate program(s) or program changes:**

- State complete major/program name
- Briefly define or describe the major/program or discipline.
- Identify typical career goals or paths for graduates. (Optional)
- State admission requirements (if any) for entry or entry into upper/advanced level of major/program.
- Identify location in catalog of university, college/school, and department/program requirements which the student must meet in addition to hours in the major, but do not restate these requirements.
- State course requirements in the major and any allied areas, giving number of hours and specific courses; specify electives or elective areas and give numbers of hours and courses in elective pools or categories; identify any other course requirements.
- State any other requirements (required GPA, internship, exit exam, project, thesis, etc.).
- Identify name and requirements for each concentration (if any).
- Specify whether a minor or other program component is allowed or required and provide details.
- State eight-semester plan requirements

**For minors, state requirements in terms of hours, required courses, electives, etc.**

**For graduate program/units, include elements (as needed) parallel to those listed for undergraduate programs above.**

**For Law School program/units, prepare text consistent with current catalog style.**

For centers, prepare text consistent with current catalog style.

## CURRENT CATALOG TEXT

### Graduate Certificate in Enterprise Systems (ISESGC)

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The Graduate Certificate in Enterprise Systems (ES) is a part-time program designed to provide graduate students knowledge of and experience with information systems used in modern enterprise environments. The demand for skilled professionals in information systems continues to outpace the supply of qualified applicants. Students may choose one of three concentrations for the Graduate Certificate in Enterprise Systems – Enterprise Information Systems, Enterprise Analytics, or Enterprise Resource Planning. The Certificate program is intended to be completed part-time (ordinarily no more than six hours per semester), and is open to individuals with backgrounds in any discipline.

**Admission Requirements:** The Graduate Certificate in Enterprise Systems is a part-time program open to individuals with backgrounds in any discipline. Students must apply and be admitted to the Graduate School of Business; the GMAT/ GRE requirement is waived for the Graduate Certificate in Enterprise Systems degree program. (Students who have earned a GPA 3.5 or better upon completion of the certificate program and subsequently apply to the Master of Information Systems program will not be required to submit a test score). Information regarding Graduate School of Business admission requirements can be found earlier in this chapter.

### Requirements for the Graduate Certificate in Enterprise Systems: (12 hours)

To receive the Graduate Certificate in Enterprise Systems, students must select one of the concentrations below. Students are required to take 9 hours of coursework in the Walton College of Business and 3 hours of electives related to ES in either the Walton College or in another college at the University of Arkansas. Elective courses other than those listed below must be approved by the Director of the Certificate program. Some elective courses have prerequisites that are not met by courses in the Certificate program. Students are advised to check prerequisites prior to enrolling in a course.

### Required Course (3 hours) for all concentrations

ISYS 5833 Data Management Systems

**OR** WCOB 5213 ERP Fundamentals

**Enterprise Information Systems Concentration** – *this concentration is open to individuals with backgrounds in fields other than Information Systems (IS) and is designed to provide non-IS graduate students with the fundamental knowledge and skills needed to successfully transition to a career in the IS field. Students who complete this concentration will have exposure to fundamental principles of IS, techniques for management and development of IS projects, and effective management and use of relational and dimensional data. Students who successfully complete this concentration may be eligible to receive a certificate endorsed by Microsoft.*

### Required Courses (9 hours)

ISYS 5113 IT Toolkit (*this course may not be used for the Master of Information Systems Degree*)

### ISYS 5833 Data Management Systems

ISYS 5423 Seminar in Systems Development

**Elective Course** (3 hours) Students should choose three hours of coursework from among the following:

WCOB 5213 ERP Fundamentals

ISYS 5133 E-Business Development

ISYS 5453 Introduction to Enterprise Servers

ISYS 5933 Global IS

**Business Analytics Concentration** – *this concentration is open to individuals with backgrounds in any discipline and is designed to give business and non-business graduate student's knowledge and experience in the management and use of enterprise data for operations and decision-making. The ability to effectively manage and analyze increasingly large and complex sets of data is highly valued among employers in all disciplines, as "business intelligence" becomes a primary source of competitive advantage in many organizations. Students who complete this concentration will have a foundation in the effective management and use of relational and dimensional data, the application of statistical decision-making theory, and the exploration and exploitation of data using advanced data mining tools and techniques. Students completing this*

*concentration may be eligible to receive a certificate endorsed by the SAS Institute.*

**Required Courses (9 hours)**

**ISYS 5833 Data Management Systems**

ISYS 5503 Decision Support Systems

ISYS 5843 Business Intelligence & Knowledge Management

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**WCOB 5213 ERP Fundamentals**

WCOB 5223 ERP Configuration & Implementation

ISYS 5233 ERP Development

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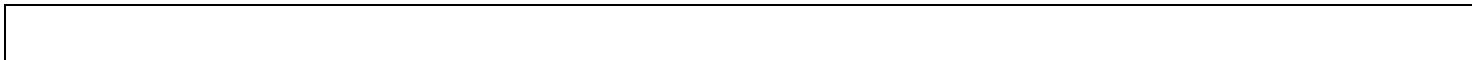
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**SECTION VIII: Action Recorded by Registrar's Office**

PROGRAM INVENTORY/DARS

PGRM \_\_\_\_\_ SUBJ \_\_\_\_\_ CIP \_\_\_\_\_ CRTS \_\_\_\_\_  
DGRE \_\_\_\_\_ PGCT \_\_\_\_\_ OFFC&CRTY VALID \_\_\_\_\_

REPORTING CODES

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