

# Program Change Request

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Changes proposed by: **ddraper**

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## In Workflow

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## Approval Path

1. 08/25/16 9:50 am  
jdurdik: Approved for ARSC Dean Initial
2. 08/25/16 9:57 am  
pkoski: Approved for GRAD Dean Initial
3. 08/26/16 8:06 am  
tmartin: Approved for Provost Initial
4. 08/29/16 2:10 pm  
agriffin: Approved for Director of Program

- Assessment and Review
- 5. 08/29/16 5:46 pm  
lkulcza: Approved for Registrar Initial
- 6. 08/30/16 8:30 am  
ggunderm: Approved for Institutional Research
- 7. 09/07/16 1:24 pm  
jgeabana: Approved for PHYS Chair
- 8. 10/10/16 5:04 pm  
fspiegel: Approved for ARSC Curriculum Committee
- 9. 10/10/16 6:46 pm  
jdurdik: Approved for ARSC Dean
- 10. 10/11/16 4:41 pm  
pritchey: Approved for Global Campus
- 11. 10/13/16 5:17 pm  
tmartin: Approved for Provost Review

Catalog Pages Using this Program [Physics \(PHYS\)](#)

Submitter: User ID: **ddraper**  
Phone: **see below for contact information**

Academic Level Graduate

Select a reason for the proposed change: Deleting Certificate, Degree, Concentration or Organizational Unit—(LON 5)

Program Status

No new students admitted after: **Fall 2016**

Allow students in program to complete through: **Spring 2018**

Number of students still enrolled: **0**

Code	Title
<b>PHYS 590V</b>	<b>Master of Arts Research (Sp, Su, Fa)</b>

How will students in the deleted program be accommodated? **N/A. No students currently enrolled in the program.**

How will funds from **N/A. The Physics, MA required no additional resources beyond the resources utilized for the**

the deleted program  
be reallocated?

**Physics, MS and Physics, PhD programs; therefore, there are no additional funds to reallocate.**

Academic Unit

**Major/Field of Study**

Are you adding, changing or deleting a concentration? **No**

Action	Proposed Code	Proposed Name

Are you adding, changing or deleting a track? **No**

Action	Proposed Code	Proposed Name

Are you adding, changing or deleting a focused study? **No**

Action	Proposed Code	Proposed Name

Effective Catalog Year **Fall 2017 Summer 2014**

College, School,  
Division

Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences (ARSC)

Department Code

Department of Physics (PHYS)

Program Code

PHYSMA

Degree

Master of Arts

CIP Code

40.0801 - Physics, General.

Program Title

Physics, Master of Arts

Method of Delivery

**On Campus**

Is this program  
interdisciplinary or  
use courses from  
another College?

**No**

Does this change the  
total hours needed to  
complete the  
program?

**No**

## Program Requirements, Description and 8-Semester Plan

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~~Requirements for the Master of Arts Degree: Students choosing this degree program must form an advisory committee consisting of the research adviser as chair and two other members of the graduate faculty, at least one of whom must be from the Physics Department, by April 30 in their first year of study. The M.A. degree requires 30 semester hours of graduate work. The candidate's program must include at least six semester hours of physics courses numbered 5000 or above, and at least three hours of PHYS 502V. Not more than nine semester hours of credit toward this degree will be allowed from physical science and graduate education courses. All courses selected to apply to this degree must be approved by the student's adviser in accordance with the above requirements. Recommended courses include: Each person receiving the Master of Arts degree—Education concentration must have at least one hour of Master's Research, satisfied by a written research report based either on the PHYS 502V, PHYS 588V, or PHYS 590V project. A final comprehensive oral exam is given by the advisory committee. Students should also be aware of Graduate School requirements with regard to master's degrees.~~

PHYS-400V	Laboratory and Classroom Practices in Physics (Sp, Su, Fa)	1-3
PHYS-4113	Physics in Perspective (Odd years, Sp)	3
PHYS-4213	Physics of Devices (Odd years, Fa)	3
PHYS-462VL	Modern Physics Laboratory (Sp)	1-3
PHYS-588V	Selected Topics in Experimental Physics (Irregular)	1-3
PHYS-590V	Master of Arts Research (Sp, Su, Fa)	1-6

Are Similar Programs available in the area? **No**

Estimated Student Demand for Program: **0**

Scheduled Program Review Date: **N/A**

Program Goals and Objectives: **N/A Existing Program.**

Learning Outcomes: **N/A Existing Program**

The Department is proposing to delete the M.A. degree in Physics.

Contact the Physics Department Chair, Julio Gea-Banacloche, with any questions: 575-7240, [jgeabana@uark.edu](mailto:jgeabana@uark.edu)

Description and justification of the request:

There is virtually no demand for the Physics, MA. There are no current students enrolled. In the last 4 years, only 3 students have completed the Physics, MA degree program. In the last 8 years, the total of completed Physics, MA degrees is only 5. Our graduate level students are more interested in, and are better served by, the MS and PhD programs. The one sole faculty member on staff who was connected to the Physics, MA has permanently left the U of A.

See attached LON #5.

**ddraper (02/16/16 10:02 am):** Questions regarding this change may be directed to: Dr. Julio Gea-Banacloche at [jgeabana@uark.edu](mailto:jgeabana@uark.edu) or Dr. William Oliver at [woliver@uark.edu](mailto:woliver@uark.edu) Department of Physics Phone: 575-2506

**pkoski (08/18/16 4:27 pm):** Rollback: Department requested that this be removed from the agenda for Graduate Council.

**agriffin (08/18/16 4:29 pm):** Rollback: The department requested that they wanted to reconsider this request to possibly delete the entire program.

Program reviewer comments

**ddraper (08/25/16 9:37 am):** Please disregard all earlier comments prior to 8/25/2016. Those are from a previous/retracted change request to the Physics, MA. On 8/25/2016, the Physics, MA program change request was modified to be a deletion of the program.

**ddraper (08/25/16 9:38 am):** Attempted to add LON #5.

**ddraper (08/25/16 9:47 am):** Attempted to add PHYSMA Deletion LON #5.

**pkoski (08/25/16 9:56 am):** I added a statement indicating what the department is proposing.

**agriffin (08/29/16 2:09 pm):** Adjusted formatting for LON and inserted approval dates. Changed name of document to match naming convention for BOT materials.

Uploaded attachments: **[PHYSMA - Deletion - Ltr of Notification.docx](#)**