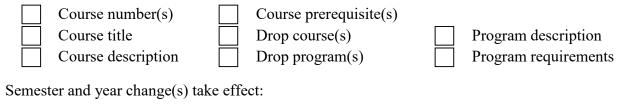
UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL Request for Change(s)

Originating unit requesting change

Type of Change requested:



Appropriate computer abbreviation if course title is more than 30 spaces:

Briefly summarize the change requested:

Programs Only Program Name:	
Current Code:Proposed New Code (list 2 (ex: INDE-BFA)):or
Can have second major: Yes No	
Current 6-digit CIP Code: Does the change require a new or change in CIP code?	YesNo
If yes, what is the proposed 6-digit CIP code? *for reference, please visit: https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipc	

Catalog copy

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1. What is the justification for the change(s) requested?

- 2. If applicable, explain how the change(s) will affect the current program outcomes and assessment mechanisms.
- 3. **Faculty Resources:** How will the unit provide faculty support for this change and any other impact this change may have on other current departmental listings.

4.	Educational Resources: Will this change require additional resources not	curr	ently
	available (e.g. space, equipment, library, other)?		YES
	If yes, list additional resources needed.		NO

- 5. If this change affects other units of the University, include a statement signed by the chairperson(s) of the affected unit(s).
- 6. If cross-listed, provide evidence of approval by all curriculum committees appropriate to both the originating and cross-listed units.

Approval signature of chairperson of originating unit

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Interdisciplinary Inquiry, BA and BS Interdisciplinary Inquiry offers students a way to "create their own major" when their academic interest extend beyond traditional disciplinary lines. Proposed interdisciplinary majors that appear designed to avoid particular required courses in established majors will not be approved.

Interested students should contact the Associate Dean in the School of Interdisciplinary Studies. After an initial consultation to determine the strength of the student's interdisciplinary interests, the Associate Dean will work with student to identify appropriate faculty to serve on the student's Faculty Supervisory Committee, which will consist of at least two relevant faculty members in different departments with one designated as chair and primary academic adviser. The student, with assistance from the Faculty Committee, will propose a specific course of study, which will then be submitted to the Associate Dean for formal approval. This course of study will then serve to guide the student's official degree plan. Programs of study involving coursework from outside the Schoel of Interdisciplinary Studies must also be approved by the dean or associated dean of the schoel(s) or college(s) offering those courses.

In addition to the specific coursework to be completed, the student's proposal must address each of the following:

- 1. Your long term educational and career goals.
- Why these goals cannot be achieved within an existing departmental major or within a combination of a department major and minor and/or certificate.
- How you plan to integrate the courses you have listed into a unified course of study; in other words, how to make your major more than just a series of courses in different departments.

To be eligible for the program, students must have earned a TCU GPA at or above 3.0 and have earned at least 24, but not more than 66, semester hours credit. The eligibility of incoming transfer students (who lack a TCU GPA) will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

The proposed program of study must consist of a minimum of 36 semester hours chosen from at least two different academic disciplines, 24 of which must be upper-division (30000 or above).

- No more than 24 hours may be taken from a single academic discipline.
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For both the B.A. and B.S. degrees, a minor is required. For the B.A. degree, 4th semester proficiency in a foreign language is required. For the B.S. degree, sufficient coursework of a quantitative nature must be included in the proposed course of study to justify the B.S. degree. The choice between the B.A. and B.S. degrees is to be determined by the nature of the proposed course of study, rather than any aversion to either foreign language or quantitative coursework, and is subject to the approval of the Associate Dean.

No course applied to the student's major may also be applied to the minor.

For more information see sis.tcu.edu/about/interdisciplinary-inquiry/ or contact IINQ@tcu.edu

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For this major, students are required to take INTR 30103 (Introduction to Interdisciplinary Studies), where they learn about the nature of interdisciplinary studies and set their course plan. Students must also take INTR 30403 (Epistemology and Methods) and complete a capstone project (INTR 40103: Interdisciplinary Inquiry Major Capstone).

To be eligible for the program, students must have earned a TCU GPA at or above 3.0 and have earned at least <u>12</u>, but not more than 66, semester hours credit. The eligibility of incoming transfer students (who lack a TCU GPA) will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

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