To be adopted:

Proposed Changes to the Economics/Administrative Studies Major

PRESENT:

Economics/Administrative Studies Major
In order to receive the B.A. degree in Economics/Administrative Studies students must fulfill the following requirements:

Economics requirements (52 units)
1. ECON 002, ECON 003
2. ECON 102A, ECON 102B, ECON 103A
3. Twenty-four (24) additional upper-division units in Economics
4. ECON 101/STAT 101
5. One of MATH 009A, MATH 022, or equivalent

Administrative Studies requirements (37 units)
1. Lower-division courses (17 units)
   a) BSAD 010, BSAD 020A
   b) STAT 048 or equivalent (may be used to satisfy breadth requirements)
   c) CS 008 (may be used to satisfy breadth requirements)
2. Upper-division requirements (20 units)

Note: In filling the dual requirements of the major students may not count more than two courses toward both parts of their total requirements. (This limitation applies to specified Economics requirements and specified Administrative Studies requirements, but does not apply to the required Mathematics and Statistics courses.)

PROPOSED:

Economics/Administrative Studies Major
In order to receive the B.A. degree in Economics/Administrative Studies students must fulfill the following requirements:

Economics requirements (48 units)
1. No Change
2. No Change
3. Twenty (20) additional upper-division units in Economics
4. No Change
5. No Change

Administrative Studies requirements (32 units)
1. Lower-division courses (12 units)
   a) BSAD 010, BSAD 020A
   b) CS 008 (may be used to satisfy breadth requirements)
2. No Change

Note: Up to four units of internship credit may be counted toward the upper-division electives in Economics.

Note: In filling the dual requirements of the major students may not count more than two courses toward both parts of their total requirements. (This limitation applies to specified Economics requirements and specified Administrative Studies requirements, but does not apply to the required Mathematics and Statistics courses.)
JUSTIFICATION:

1) Currently the Economics/Administrative Studies major requires twenty four units of Economics electives where other majors in the Economics Department require only twenty units. A reduction from twenty four units to twenty units of electives will make the number of elective units consistent with other majors.

2) Currently, the Economics/Law and Society and Economics/Administrative Studies majors allow the use of internship units for economics elective credits whereas this is not allowed for the Economics and Business Economics majors. The internship can be a rich experience in which students can apply the tools learned in the courses for real life practical problems. Thus, we are allowing that internship units for all majors be used for elective credits. We establish that the number of units to be used for elective credits are up to four, which is roughly equivalent to one regular elective course. This will allow students to have a balanced mix of real life experience and theoretical tools from actual courses taken within their majors.

3) The Economics/Administrative Studies major requires students to complete Statistics 48, Statistics for Business, and Economics/Statistics 101, Statistics for Economics. It has been the experience of the faculty that Economics 101 better prepares students to understand and apply principles learned in other upper division Economics core courses and that it is unnecessary to require two statistics courses for students in this major. Consequently, as this catalog revision shows, the Economics Department would like to delete Statistics 48 from the Administrative Studies section of this major.

APPROVALS:

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