

TO: Randy Smith, Vice Provost for Academic Programs  
FROM: Anika Anthony, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs, Graduate School  
DATE: September 11, 2020  
RE: Proposal for curricular changes to the Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization in Demography

This proposal for curricular changes to the Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization in Demography seeks to add 13 elective courses.

The proposal was received by the Graduate School on June 5, 2020. It was electronically reviewed by GS/CAA and recommended for approval by the Graduate Council on July 21, 2020. The proposal was approved by e-vote of the Graduate Council on September 8, 2020.

## Anthony, Anika

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**From:** Anthony, Anika  
**Sent:** Friday, July 24, 2020 5:24 PM  
**To:** Frank, Reanne  
**Cc:** Pearce, Laura; Rubright, Corinne E.  
**Subject:** RE: Proposal to add 13 new elective courses to the GIS in Demography

Dear Dr. Frank,

The combined Graduate School/Council on Academic Affairs curriculum subcommittee has conducted an e-review of your proposal to revise the Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization in Demography. The subcommittee is supportive of the changes addressed in the proposal and recommends it move forward for approval to the Graduate Council. Following their approval, the proposal will move onward to CAA for theirs. We will keep you posted as it moves along.

Sincerely,  
Anika

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**Subject:** RE: Proposal to add 13 new elective courses to the GIS in Demography

Dear Reanne,

Thank you for sending us this proposal. We will ensure that it is on the agenda of an upcoming meeting of the Graduate School/Council on Academic Affairs Curriculum Subcommittee.

Best wishes,  
Laura



**Laura Pearce**

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**Subject:** Proposal to add 13 new elective courses to the GIS in Demography

Hi Laura,

I think you are the correct person to email about this but please let me know if I am mistaken. I am the faculty coordinator for the Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization in Demography (Corinne Rubright, cced here is the staff coordinator). We have a proposal to add 13 new elective courses to our curriculum. I have attached the proposal with department concurrences. Please let us know if you need anything else from us.

Thank you,

Reanne

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6/6/2020

Dear Curriculum Committee:

Please find the enclosed proposal to add 13 additional elective courses to the existing curriculum for the Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization in Demography (GISD). The GISD launched in Autumn 2015. In 2017, we received approval from CAA to add 8 additional elective courses. In the time since, we have developed another short list of courses that we would like to add to our potential list of electives.

We continue to be very excited about the GISD and believe that these additional electives strengthen the curriculum and will help keep it up-to-date for future cohorts.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

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# Proposal to Add 13 Additional Elective Courses to the Existing Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization in Demography (GISD)

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## Description of the Current GISD Curriculum

The Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization in Demography (GISD) offers students advanced training in the techniques and substance of demography through both required and elective coursework. Currently, the curriculum as approved by the Graduate School and CAA requires two courses: (i) a three-credit seminar course and (ii) a three-credit methods course focusing on fundamental demographic techniques. The required coursework is intended to provide students with a basis in fundamental demographic techniques (via the methods course) and expose them to the most recent demographic scholarship (via the seminar along with the Institute for Population Research’s (IPR) weekly seminar).

The current GISD curriculum also includes a set of elective courses that we have selected in consultation with the faculty, graduate studies chairs and department chairs of each respective department. The courses were selected with two goals in mind. First, we selected courses that contain significant demographic content. Second, we selected elective courses that will provide students with particular skill sets for their future careers in demography.

Students must successfully complete at least 10 but no more than 20 hours of graduate-level coursework. These hours must include at least three different courses, and at least 9 hours must be from outside the home graduate program but may include cross-listed courses (cross-listed courses that comprise this 9 hour minimum must be enrolled in outside the home department).

**The approved version of the GISD specialization currently consists of the following components:**

1. A required three-credit (3) hour core proseminar course (SOCIOLOGY/PUBLIC HEALTH 8802 Seminar for Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization in Demography).
2. A required three-credit (3) hour course in Demographic Techniques (SOCIOLOGY 7753 Introduction to Demographic Analysis). A core component of demographic training is its methodological toolkit. This course covers the materials and methods of fundamental demographic analysis.
3. Electives are drawn from the existing courses offered across the University which contain significant demographic content and/or provide technical training that will advance research on demographic topics.

### Required Courses for all Students in GISD

College	Course #	U/G Level	Title	Credit Hours	Days/Time
Arts and Sciences	SOC/PUBHLTH 8802	G	Seminar for GISD	3	Tuesdays/Thursdays 11:10am-12:30pm
Arts and Sciences	SOC 7753	G	Introduction to Demographic Analysis	3	

## Updated Elective Courses as of 6/2020

College	Course #	U/G/P Level	Title	Credit Hours
Arts and Sciences	ANTHROP 7701	G	Modern Human Physical Variation	3
Arts and Sciences	ANTHROP 7802	G	Origins of Food Production	3
Arts and Sciences	ECON 4553	U	Economics of Population	3
Arts and Sciences	ECON 5850	U/G	Labor Economics	3
Arts and Sciences	ECON 8851	G	Labor Economics I	3
Arts and Sciences	ECON 8852	G	Labor Economics II	3
Arts and Sciences	ECON 8853	G	Labor Economics III	3
Arts and Sciences	GEOG 5210	U/G	Fundamentals of GIS	3
Arts and Sciences	GEOG 7102	G	Fieldwork in Human Geography	3
Arts and Sciences	GEOG 8102	G	Spatial Data Analysis	3
Arts and Sciences	GEOG 8104	G	Spatial Methods	3
Arts and Sciences	GEOG 8200	G	Frontiers in Geographic Information Science	3
Arts and Sciences	HISTORY 7087	G	Black Women in the United States	3
Arts and Sciences	HISTORY 7303	G	Comparative History of the African Diaspora and Post-Emancipation, Colonial, & Post Colonial Reality	3
Arts and Sciences	PSYCH 7695.02	G	Health Psychology	3
Arts and Sciences	PSYCH 7708	G	Judgment and Decision Making	3
Arts and Sciences	SOC 7754	G	Introduction to Demography	3
Arts and Sciences	SOC 7755	G	The Social Context of Human Fertility	3
Arts and	SOC 7756	G	Sociology of Immigration	3

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Arts and Sciences	SOC 7758	G	Population, Health and the Life Course	3
Arts and Sciences	SOC 7760	G	Sociology of Conflict and Violence	3
Arts and Sciences	SOC 7761	G	Social Stratification	3
Arts and Sciences	SOC 7884.08	G	Seminar: the Family	3
Arts and Sciences	SOC 7884.15	G	Graduate Seminar on Poverty	3
Arts and Sciences	SOC 8632	G	Analysis of Longitudinal Data	3
Education & Human Ecology	HDFS 7350	G	Adolescence and Emerging Adulthood	3
Education & Human Ecology	HDFS 8404	G	Adolescence: Risk in Context	3
Education & Human Ecology	HDFS 8820	G	Theoretical Perspectives on the Family	3
Education & Human Ecology	HDFS 8862	G	Seminar on Human Development and Family Science	3
Engineering	CRPLAN 5001	G	Introduction to GIS	4
Engineering	CRPLAN 6350	G	The Socially Just City	3
Food, Agricultural & Environmental Sciences	AEDECON 6400	G	Regional and International Development	3
Food, Agricultural & Environmental Sciences	AEDECON 7410	G	Advanced Regional Economics I	3
Food, Agricultural & Environmental Sciences	AEDECON 7415	G	Advanced Regional Economics II	3
Food, Agricultural & Environmental Sciences	AEDECON 7421	G	Advanced Development Economics I	3
Food, Agricultural & Environmental Sciences	AEDECON 7425	G	Advanced Development Economics II	3



Food, Agricultural & Environmental Sciences	ENR 7380	G	Climate and Society	3
Food, Agricultural & Environmental Sciences	RURLSOC 5540	U/G	Population, Place and Environment	3
Food, Agricultural & Environmental Sciences	RURLSOC 6500	G	Rural Poverty	3
Public Health	PUBHLTH 6000	G	Introduction to Global Health	2
Public Health	PUBHLTH 7000	G	Public Health in Developing Countries	3
Public Health	PUBHBIO 7225	G	Survey Sampling Methods	3
Public Health	PUBHEPI 6410	G	Principles of Epidemiology	3
Public Health	PUBHEPI 6411	G	Biological Basis of Public Health	3
Public Health	PUBHEPI 6440	G	Reproductive and Perinatal Epidemiology	3
Public Health	PUBHHBP 7544	G	Fundamental Determinants of Population Health	3

## Description of the Proposed Additional GISD Electives

We are proposing to add 13 courses to the elective list of the GISD. We last received CAA approval to update our elective list to reflect changes in the course offerings in February 2017. In the time since, some new courses have been added to the course catalog and other courses have been identified by multiple GISD students as being critical for their technical training. We have also added 5 relevant courses from the John Glenn College of Public Affairs- a college which previously was not included in our initial proposal. Our criterion for inclusion as an elective is: Electives are drawn from the existing courses offered across the University which contain significant demographic content and/or provide technical training that will advance research on demographic topics. Below is the list of the 13 requested courses:

### Newly Proposed Elective Courses for the GISD

College	Course #	U/G Level	Title	Credit Hours
Public Health	PUBHEPI 6441	G	Women's Health Issues	3
SENR	RURLSOC 7600	G	Concepts and Theories in Rural Sociology	3
Arts and Sciences	SOC 7884.03	G	Population Health Inequality in Temporal and Global Context, Seminar in Medical Sociology	3
Arts and Sciences	STAT 5730	U/G	Introduction to R for Data Science	3
Arts and Sciences	ANTHROP 5602	U/G	Women's Health in a Global Perspective	3
Arts and Sciences	ANTHROP 8892.12	G	Statistical Rethinking: A Bayesian Course Using R and Stan, Quantitative Methods II: Advanced	3
Arts and Sciences	GEOG 5103	U/G	Intermediate Spatial Data Analysis	3
Arts and Sciences	LING 5801	U/G	Computational Linguistics	3
John Glenn	PUBAFRS 6000	G	Public Policy Formulation and Implementation	4
John Glenn	PUBAFRS 6030	G	Public Sector Economics	4
John Glenn	PUBAFRS 7574	G	Mixed Methods Approaches for Policy-Related Research	3
John Glenn	PUBAFRS 8030	G	Seminar in Public Policy	3
John Glenn	PUBAFRS 8050	G	Seminar in Public Sector Economics	3

# Concurrences for the 13 Proposed Courses

**College: SENR**  
**Course: RURSOC 7600**



White, Taylor O. | Rubright, Corinne E.; Frank, Reanne

12/20/2019

RE: Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization in Demography

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Hi, Corinne,

Our Graduate Studies Committee has no objections to this request. Thank you for including our course in the Demography GIS.

Best,



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**College: ASC**  
**Course: GEOG 5103**

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**Re: Course addition request for the GISD**

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Dear Reanne,

Yes, we'd be happy to have Geog 5103 included on this GISD, thank you very much!

Darla

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**College: ASC**  
**Course: SOC 7884.03**

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**GISD elective approval**

Hayford, Sarah <hayford.10@osu.edu>

Wed 6/3/2020 10:38 PM

To: Frank, Reanne <frank.219@osu.edu>

Dear Reanne,

I approve the addition of the seminar SOCIOL 7884.03 "Seminar in Medical Sociology: Population Health Inequality in Temporal and Global Context" as an elective for the Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization in Demography.

Thank you

Sarah

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Sarah R. Hayford

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**College: ASC**  
**Course: STAT 5730**

**From:** [Critchlow, Douglas](#)  
**To:** [Rubright, Corinne E.](#)  
**Cc:** [Frank, Reanne](#); [Davis, Greg](#); [Herbei, Radu](#); [Scott, Jean](#); [Critchlow, Douglas](#)  
**Subject:** RE: STAT 5730 and the Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization in Demography  
**Date:** Thursday, November 7, 2019 11:20:57 AM  
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Hello Corinne,

We approve this request, but because STAT 5730 an elective for this program, we will not be reserving seats in STAT 5730 for students in this program. We will be reserving seats only for students who are required to take this popular course.

Best wishes,  
Doug Critchlow  
Grad Studies Chair

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**From:** Davis, Greg  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 07, 2019 10:49 AM  
**To:** Critchlow, Douglas  
**Subject:** FW: Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization in Demography

See below.

Kindest regards,



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**College: ASC**  
**Course: ANTHRO 5602 & 8892.12**

**From:** [Field, Julie](#)  
**To:** [Rubright, Corinne E.](#); [Healy, Elizabeth A.](#)  
**Cc:** [Frank, Reanne](#); [Gremillion, Kristen](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization in Demography  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 12, 2019 1:51:25 PM  
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Corinne,  
I've spoken with the Chair and also the faculty who teach these courses, and we approve of both additions as electives for the GISD program.

Kind regards,

Julie



**Julie S. Field, PhD**  
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**College: ASC**  
**Course: LING 5801**

**From:** [White, Michael](#)  
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**Cc:** [Frank, Reanne](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization in Demography  
**Date:** Thursday, November 21, 2019 3:57:59 PM  
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Hi Corinne

After discussion we approve your request to include our LING 5801 as an elective in your GISD.

Kind regards  
Mike

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**College: COPA**

**Course: PA 6000, 6030, 7574, 8030, 8050**

**RE: [IPR Affiliates] IPR GISD Request for Faculty and Students**

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Thu 6/4/2020 8:10 AM

To: Frank, Reanne <frank.219@osu.edu>

Hi Reanne,

The John Glenn College of Public Affairs approves of the addition of the following Public Affairs courses for the GISD elective list:

John Glenn	PUBAFRS 6000	G	Public Policy Formulation and Implementation	4
John Glenn	PUBAFRS 6030	G	Public Sector Economics	4
John Glenn	PUBAFRS 7574	G	Mixed Methods Approaches for Policy-Related Research	3
John Glenn	PUBAFRS 8030	G	Seminar in Public Policy	3
John Glenn	PUBAFRS 8050	G	Seminar in Public Sector Economics	3

We continue to support the GIS and directed a number of our doctoral students to it during their annual review meetings this spring.

Sincerely,

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**College: COPH**  
**Course: PUBHEPI 6441**

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**Cc:** Felix, Ashley <[felix.20@osu.edu](mailto:felix.20@osu.edu)>  
**Subject:** RE: Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization in Demography

Thanks, Kynthia.

Corinne, it sounds great to us to have this listed as an elective. Thank you! – M.

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Hi Maria,

It is already on the list of approved electives for the MPH and MS in Epidemiology.



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**Subject:** Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization in Demography

Good Morning,

We are in the fifth year of our Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization in Demography program and we're reassessing our elective offerings for students. We have this additional course from your department that we would like to add as an elective for our program. Would you please let us know if you approve?

**Course:** PUBHEPI 6441 / Womens Health

More information on our GISD can be found here: <https://ipr.osu.edu/GISD>

Best,  
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