Request to Modify Course Number Restrictions in Graduate School Policy and Catalog

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Proposed Change:

Current Policy/Catalog Language:

Courses Numbered 5500 or Higher

Courses numbered 5500 or higher are available only to graduate students. Undergraduates, regardless of classification or GPA, may not enroll in any graduate courses, numbered 5500 or above. This requirement may not be waived or appealed

Revised Policy/Catalog Language:

Courses Numbered 5500 or Higher

Courses numbered 5500 or higher are available only to graduate students and undergraduate students admitted to accelerated graduate programs according to program guidelines. All other undergraduates, regardless of classification or GPA, may not enroll in any graduate courses, numbered 5500 or above. This requirement may not be waived or appealed.

Rationale for Change:

- For some graduate programs such as Communication Disorders and Geographic
 Information Sciences, there is no difference in the substantive work required in courses
 numbered 5500 and higher. For example, in CDS all clinical practicum courses are
 labeled 59XX. There would need to be substantial renumbering of courses done if for
 courses that students would take in the one or two terms they can take graduate
 courses in an accelerated program.
- The proposed change impacts only graduate programs who choose to create
 accelerated graduate programs and choose to have 5500 and above courses during an
 undergraduate term(s) in the accelerated program. All other course enrollment
 restrictions remain in place according to previous graduate school policies.