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Course: Add: _____ Delete: _____ Change: Number _____ Title _____ (check all that apply) SCH
_____ Description ___x___ Prerequisite _____

If new, provide Course Prefix, Number, Title, SCH Value, Description, prerequisite, lecture/lab (hours if applicable) and **student learning outcomes**. If in current catalog, provide change and attach page with changes in red and provide a brief justification.

Program: Add: _____ Change: ___x___ Attach new/changed Program of Study description and 4-year plan. If in current catalog, provide change and attach page with changes in red.

Delete all current BAAS descriptions and replace with attached:

BACHELOR OF APPLIED ARTS AND SCIENCES

The Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences (BAAS) degree is a special degree designed for individuals who hold an Associate of Applied Arts and Sciences (AAS) degree from an accredited institution. The BAAS degree program offers students the opportunity to obtain a baccalaureate degree by building on the coursework they have already achieved. If the AAS degree is not fully compatible with the BAAS degree program, a student may have to take additional courses. This degree is not designed for teacher preparation or certification.

The minimum number of hours for BAAS degree is 120. Twenty-seven (27) of those hours will be taken from the AAS courses and applied to requirements at the freshman/sophomore level. At least 45 hours must be at the upper division level.

Requirements include:

27 semester credit hours in an organized technical program from an accredited two-year college

42 semester credit hours from the TAMIU core curriculum*

3 semester credit hours of a Math elective

~~24 hours~~ 27 hours in upper-division coursework (3000-level or above) in the College of Arts and

9 hours chosen from Philosophy, Anthropology, Geography

9 hours chosen from History or Political Science

9 hours chosen from Sociology, Psychology, or Language and Literature

18 hours in any TAMIU-approved minor degree program, at least 15 hours of which must be advanced (3000 or 4000 level) coursework

3 hours BAAS senior capstone course: ANTH 4351 Cultural Anthropology. This course is offered annually and cannot be substituted under any circumstance.

120 hours

*See the University Core Curriculum Requirements in Appendix A for list of approved courses.

Justifications:

1. The BAAS degree has been streamlined, making the program considerably less unwieldy and confusing for both students and faculty and conforming to the objective to streamline our offerings set forth by the chancellor on his visit to our campus last spring.
2. The number of SCH has been reduced to 120 as required by the State.
3. A senior capstone course has been added to meet the requirements for accountability and assessment outlined by SACS in general and the QEP in particular.

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Faculty: Add: ____ Delete: ____ Change: ____ Attach new/changed faculty entry. If in current catalog, provide change and attach page with changes in red.

College Introductory Pages: Add information: ____ Change information: ____ Attach new/changed information. If in current catalog, provide change and attach page with changes in red.

Other: Add information: ____ Change information: ____ Attach new/changed information. If in current catalog, provide change and attach page with changes in red.

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