Course: Add: _XX__ Delete: ___
(check all that apply) Change: Number ___ Title ___ SCH ___ Description ___ Prerequisite _____
Response Required: New course will be part of major _XX__ minor ___ as a required _XX__
or elective ___ course
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If new, provide Course Prefix, Number, Title, Measurable Student Learning Outcomes, SCH
Value, Description, prerequisite, and lecture/lab hours if applicable. If in current online catalog,
provide change and attach text with changes in red and provide a brief justification.

Course Description:

**PSYC 5308**
Advanced Psychopathology

**Three Semester Hours**

Description: This course provides current clinical understanding of the etiology, research, and
pharmacological treatments available for human psychological disorders. The course involves discussion
and critical evaluation of current, historical, and interdisciplinary perspective to psychopathology and the
pharmacological treatment options available. Prerequisite: Graduate standing, or permission of the
instructor.

**Justification:** To increase the course offerings for the 48 hour MA in Counseling Psychology program.
The Texas Board of Examiners of Licensed Professional Counselors will now require a 60 hour Master’s
degree in order to sit for the licensing exam as of August 2017. The new requirement will affect the 2014
entering class, therefore this additional course and other curriculum changes are underway. Also, the
inclusion of this new course would provide graduate students with the opportunity to explore the causes
and treatment options for psychological disorders available to clinicians.

**LEARNING OUTCOMES:** Upon completion of this course the Graduate Students will:
1. Explain the underlying causes of psychopathology.
2. Discriminate among pharmacological treatment options for clients with psychopathological conditions.
3. Apply concepts and skills learned in the field of Psychopathology.
4. Formulate the best course of treatment based on current clinical practice models explored in class.

Approvals:

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Department Curriculum Committee

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