SENATE POLICY 11-03

Motion: to approve the Minor in Psychology

Passed at the March 11, 2003 meeting of the Academic Senate

APPROVALS:

[Signatures and dates]

Louise Lutze-Mann
Chair, Academic Senate

Date: 3.24.03

Richard Rush
President, CSU Channel Islands

Date: 4/1/03
PROPOSAL TO OFFER A MINOR IN FALL 2003

Proposed Name of Minor: Psychology
Faculty Proposing Minor: Harley Baker, Beatrice de Oca, Kevin Volkan

1. Catalog Description:
MINOR in PSYCHOLOGY (18 Units)

The minor in psychology gives students concentrated exposure to the philosophy, history, methods and theories related to the study of the mind and behavior. The minor in psychology is appropriate for students interested in understanding how human psychological perspectives can influence their major field of study and the world around them.

2. Justification for Proposed Minor (<100 words):
The minor in psychology provides an excellent introduction to the tools, methods and theories relevant to the field. Exposure to these characteristics of psychology will enhance a student's ability to perform in many careers, including profit and non-profit sectors. The psychology minor also provides background which may be helpful for entry into masters, doctoral, and professional graduate programs in the social sciences, behavioral sciences, and medicine.

3. Total Number of Units in the Minor (including co-requisites): 18 units

4. Lower-Division Requirements (including co-requisites):
9 Units
1. PSY100 Introduction to Psychology (3 units)
2. Two courses from the following list (6 units):
   PSY210 Learning, Cognition & Development (3), or PSY211 Cognition & Learning (3)
   PSY/BIOI 212 Neurobiology and Cognitive Science (3)
   PSY 213 Developmental Psychology (3)
   PSY 217 Theories of Personality (3)
   PSY220 Human Sexual Behavior (3)
5. Upper-Division Requirements (including pre-/co-requisites):\[1,2\]

9 Units

1. One course from the following list (3 units):
   - PSY310 History & Systems in Psychology (3)
   - PSY 312 Social Psychology (3)
   - PSY 313 Clinical and Abnormal Psychology (3)
   - PSY 314 Behavioral Neuroscience (3)

2. Six (6) units of coursework from any psychology courses at the 300 level or above (6 units).

6. **Additional Facilities needed to offer the Minor:**
None

Notes:

1. All courses required for the minor must be listed. For example, the Chemistry minor requires 20 units of Chemistry courses, but several of the courses have the requirement of two semesters of Calculus (Calculus I and II). The lower-division requirements for the Chemistry minor must include these additional math courses.

2. The Academic Senate at CSUCI has approved that all minors must have a minimum of 15 units, 9 of which must be upper-division.