TO: President David Dooley  
FROM: Hillary Leonard, Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

1. The attached BILL titled, Curricular Report No. 2018-19-13 from the Graduate Council to the Faculty Senate: Curricular Changes, is forwarded for your consideration.

2. This BILL was adopted by vote of the Faculty Senate on May 2, 2019.

3. After considering this bill, will you please indicate your approval or disapproval. Return the original, completing the appropriate endorsement below.

4. In accordance with Section 10, paragraph 4 of the Senate’s By-Laws, this bill will become effective May 23, 2019, three weeks after Senate approval, unless: (1) specific dates for implementation are written into the bill; (2) you return it disapproved; or (3) the University Faculty petitions for a referendum.

   [Signature]
   Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

   May 2, 2019

ENDORSEMENT

TO: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

FROM: President of the University

a. Approved ✓

b. Approved subject to Notice of the Council on Postsecondary Education ___.

c. Disapproved ___.

   [Signature]
   Signature of the President

   5/13/19 (date)
NOTICES OF CHANGE

Notice of Change  
College of Business  
(See Appendix A)  
Creation of MHM code: Master's of Science in Healthcare Management

Notice of Change  
Interdisciplinary Neuroscience Program  
(See Appendix B)  
Create non-thesis master's degree option.
Notice of Change for: Creation of New MHM code

Date: April 5, 2019

A. PROGRAM INFORMATION

1. Name of institution
   University of Rhode Island

2. Name of department, division, school or college
   Department: College of Business
   College: Business

3. Intended initiation date of program change. Include anticipated date for granting first degrees or certificates, if appropriate.
   Initiation date: September, 2019
   First degree date: May 2021

4. Intended location of the program
   Online

5. Summary description of proposed program (not to exceed 2 pages).
   Dr. Kathryn J. Jervis, Professor of Accounting and Director of Graduate Healthcare Management Program has been working with a URI team on a graduate healthcare management program. A course code designation (MHM) Master of Healthcare Management is needed while CoB is creating new courses to develop the program consisting of two certificates that can lead to a degree. The program will be called Masters of Science in Healthcare Management.

6. If applicable, please include the existing URI catalog language and proposed catalog changes indicated in Track Changes.

7. Signature of the President

   David M. Dooley
Notice of Request for Change of Requirements for the Masters of Science (MS) Degree in the Interdisciplinary Neuroscience Program (INP)

October 25, 2018

Program Information:

Name of institution: University of Rhode Island

Name and location of program: Interdisciplinary Neuroscience Program, Graduate School

Intended initiation date of program change: May 2019

Current catalog language:
The masters program requires a minimum of 30 credits: 20-21 credits of required coursework (section 1.4), 5-6 credits of elective coursework (section 1.5), and 6-8 research credits (NEU 599). Required courses include NEU 502, NEU 503, NEU 504, PSY 532 (or equivalent), at least one semester of NEU 581/582, and at least two semesters of NEU 587 (Journal Club). One semester of NEU 591 is required in a related discipline to the graduate student’s research area. The total number of research credits (the sum of credits from NEU 591 and NEU 599) cannot exceed 12. Students must complete a minimum of 3 credits of NEU 591 (Special Projects), and may complete up to the maximum of 8 credits in NEU 599 (Thesis Research). Two semesters of journal club (NEU 587 or equivalent), a thesis proposal and successful defense of thesis are required. Students are also required to take 3 credits of statistics.

Summary description of the proposed program changes:
The proposed change is to offer a non-thesis masters degree option for students who do not want to pursue a professional career that requires research and, therefore, do not require an intense research experience during their graduate studies. Examples of these career outcomes of previous INP MS graduates include: post-secondary science teaching, scientific/technical writing, clinical trial administrators, and allied health care professions. The credit requirements for the non-thesis masters option will include more elective course work to take the place of thesis credits. Students will take two semesters of NEU 587 (Journal Club), 3 credits of colloquium (NEU 581 X2 and NEU 582 X1), and 7-9 credits of neuroscience electives. Students who elect the non-thesis option will continue to complete three credits of NEU 591 to gain research experience.

Proposed catalog language:
The masters program requires a minimum of 30 credits: 20-21 credits of required coursework (section 1.4), 7-9 credits of elective coursework (section 1.5), and four semesters of NEU 587 (Journal Club). Required courses include NEU 502, NEU 503, NEU 504, PSY 532 (or equivalent), at least two semesters of NEU 581/582, and at least three credits of NEU 591 (Special Projects) are required. These can be completed in one or two semesters. Students are also required to take 3 credits of statistics in a related discipline to the graduate student’s research area. The total number of research credits (the sum of credits from NEU 591 and NEU 599) cannot exceed 12. Students must complete a minimum of 3 credits of NEU 591 (Special Projects).

Respectfully Submitted, Leslie Mahler, Director, INP
Current Catalog Language

Program requirements: The program requires a minimum of 30 credits: 20-23 in required coursework, 6-9 in thesis research, and 1-3 in electives. Required courses include: NEU 502, 503, 504, 511, 581, 587, 591; PSY 532; . A thesis proposal and successful defense of thesis are required. Total research credits in NEU 591 and NEU 599 used towards the degree must not exceed 12 credits.

Proposed Catalog Language

Program requirements: The thesis program requires a minimum of 30 credits: 20-23 in required coursework, 6-9 in thesis research, and 1-3 in electives. Required courses include: NEU 502, 503, 504, 511, 581, 587, 591; PSY 532; . A thesis proposal and successful defense of the thesis are required. Total research credits in NEU 591 and NEU 599 used towards the degree must not exceed 12 credits. The non-thesis program requires a minimum of 30 credits: 22 in required coursework, 6 in electives. Required courses include: NEU 502, 503, 504, 581 (two semesters), 582, 587 (two semesters), 591(3 credits); and PSY 532 or equivalent statistics course.