2023-24 Undergraduate Addendum

The following lists the undergraduate catalog program and/or policy changes that occurred in the 2023-2024 academic year:

Fall 2023

Integrated Studies BAAS

- Modified **Technical Credit** section with the following information: "Credits toward the 'technical credit' area of specialization may be earned from regionally accredited junior/community colleges, vocational or technical schools, or ACE equivalent credit; credits may also be earned through armed forces training when that work can be equated to college credit. Final approval for any transfer credit into this area rests upon the program director based upon appropriateness toward the intended learning outcomes for the degree and toward the mission of the University of St. Thomas. Technical hours MUST be completed prior to UST enrollment. The number of credit hours accepted in transfer for the technical credit specialization area will consist of a minimum of 15 hours and not exceed 45 hours. The other minor areas of the degree plan may include regular academic course equivalent transfer credit according to UST transfer credit policy. The total transfer credit accepted shall not exceed the limits stated in the undergraduate transfer credit policy."
- In the Humanities, STEM/Prof/SBS, and Technical Credit sections, the minimum hour requirements were adjusted from 18hrs to 15hrs to accommodate the 15hr minimum requirement for minors that was passed in a previous year.
- Modified the Additional Required Course and Electives section with the following information: "Student must complete with a grade of "B" or better, ISTUD 2301 and Satisfy a Practicum requirement associated with a graded UST course, and which may be included for credit in one of the student's minor fields. Practicum options: Internship, Service Project, Capstone Seminar Research Paper, or Learning Abroad Course."

Pastoral Theology Certificate

Program updated from a 32hr certificate to a 24hr certificate. The 24 hours will consist of 12 2-hour courses making up the minimum to earn the certificate, but each diocese will then have the freedom to add additional UST UCRT (CU) courses to their academic formation as their needs require. Different dioceses utilize different models and time-frames through which their students must progress, and the School of Theology will continue to offer courses that they request tailored to the specific needs of each constituent diocese, but these will be in addition to the 24-hour Certificate in Pastoral Theology program. Specific course equivalencies will be indicated to ensure additional credit-granting flexibility for the various dioceses in consideration of their specific needs.

Spring 2024

- Applied Accounting Undergraduate Certificate (approved 12/7/2023)
- <u>Catholic Social Thought Minor</u> (approved 12/1/2023)
 - Language of electives sections amended to include the sentence, "Additional elective course options are subject to CST Director approval."
- Communication BA
 - Revised degree plan to provide a more coherent educational experience for the majors. This revised degree plan includes two new courses:
 - COMM 1312 Pathways in Communication
 - COMM 2310 Communication and the Liberal Arts

- Communication Minor (approved 11/17/2023)
 - Reduced total hours from 18 to 15 and simplified requirements
 - COMM 3310 Media, Technology and Society
- <u>Creative Writing Minor</u>, <u>English BA (Literature Concentration)</u>, <u>English BA (Writing Concentration</u>, <u>English BA (Minor</u>
 - The following courses were removed from each of these programs:
 - ENGL 1341 The Classical Tradition: Literature & Composition I
 - ENGL 1342 The Middle Ages & Renaissance: Literature & Composition II
 - ENGL 2312 The Modern World: Literature & Composition III
 - And were replaced with the following:
 - ENGLC 1301 The Classical Tradition
 - ENGLC 1302 Middle Ages and Renaissance
 - ENGLC 2301 Modern World and American Expressions
- <u>Criminology, Law, and Society BA/Drug and Alcohol Counseling AAS Joint Degree</u> (New program approved 9/28/2023)
- Finance BBA/MSF Joint Degree (New Program Approved 10/13/2023)
- Management BBA

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- Degree has been expanded to include 4 additional concentrations, including: Human Resources Management, Information Management, Business of Gaming, and Innovation and Sustainability.
 These new concentrations include new courses:
 - MGMT 4348 Strategic Human Resource Management
 - MKTG 4356 Sports Marketing & Event Management
 - MGMT 2356 Introduction to the Gaming Ecosystem
 - MGMT 4357 Contemporary Issues in Gaming
 - MGMT 4351 Innovation Management
 - MGMT 4362 Sustainability and The Common Good
 - MGMT 4390 Management of Technology
- Two courses are now required in the Management section of the degree plan: MGMT 3349 and MGMT 3391.
- Overall requirements for major requirements have been reduced by 3hrs, bringing the overall total to 63hrs.
- Management and Leadership Undergraduate Certificate (approved 12/7/2023)
- Professional Sales Management Undergraduate Certificate (approved 12/7/2023)

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