



Split-Level Class Action Request Form

The Graduate Council Curriculum Committee discourages the establishment of split-level classes. Graduate students are entitled to more challenging content, instruction, and assessment, which are difficult to provide in classes offered to undergraduates as well. Circumstances may compel a unit to propose a split-level class. In these cases, the proposal should indicate the reasons a split-level class is necessary and what long-term measures are being taken to provide undergraduates and graduates with appropriate coursework. In addition, it is important to differentiate each of the undergraduate and graduate course elements. To provide reviewers with a clear delineation of the differences between the 4000 and 5000 courses, Summary Tables 1 and 2 should be completed.

Please submit this form along with the completed Course Action Request (CAR) form. Include both the 4000 syllabus and the 5000 syllabus. **The 5000 syllabus should bold any additions or differences.**

Provide narrative rationale for split-level class:

Table 1— List any **course objectives or content**:

1) that is common to both the undergraduate and graduate syllabi but have been differentiated for undergraduate and graduate students. For example, an objective for undergraduates may require identification of a concept where the graduate objective may require application;

or

2) in cases where entirely new objectives or content have been added to the existing undergraduate objectives and content, in the 5000 course column list any course elements that the graduate syllabus requires in addition to the elements of the undergraduate syllabus. For example, if there are 3 course readings in the undergraduate syllabus and a 4th reading was added for the graduate syllabus, list it in the 5000 course column and leave the 4000 course column blank.

Table 1 Differences Between 4000 and 5000 Course Objectives & Content		
Course Element	4000 Course	5000 Course

Table 2—List different or additional **assessment** elements (course assignments and tests that count toward the grade). For example, if an undergraduate course assignment that requires students to read an article and write a reflection has been expanded to require graduate students to read a book and present it to the class, the two versions of this assignment would be contrasted in this table. If a third exam was added for graduate students, list it in the 5000 column.

Table 2 Differences Between 4000 and 5000 Course Assessment			
Course Element	4000 Course Assessment & % of grade	5000 Course Assessment & % of grade	

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