

Program Procedures for Obtaining Approval of a New Area of Specialization or a Change in an Area of Specialization in a Graduate Degree

(Check one)

- Request for New Specialization
- Request for Change in Specialization
- Request to Remove a Specialization

The following describes the material which should be included in a proposal for a new area of specialization in an existing graduate degree, or for a change in an existing area of specialization, or for a removal of a specialization. Areas of specialization are recognized on a student's permanent record (transcript). Approval is required by the department or program curriculum committee, the College Curriculum Committee, the GCCC, Graduate Council, and by the Graduate Dean. The proposal should be sent to the Graduate College for the Graduate Curriculum and Catalog Committee (GCCC) with documentation of approvals by the department and college.

*Required for all choices.

1. *Name of the area of specialization. Technology and Innovation Management
2. *Name of the major. Busad
3. *Graduate degrees to which it applies. MBA
4. *Name of the department(s) or program. Busad
5. *Other existing areas of specialization for the same major and same degree. Accounting, Finance, Marketing, Supply Chain Management, Information Systems, Business Analytics
6. What is the change you are requesting? (Answer only if you checked the Change box)
7. Are areas of specialization optional or required? (Can a student choose the major without selecting an area of specialization?) (For New and Change only)
8. Reasons for proposing the new area of specialization or change in the area of specialization.
9. Requirements for the area of specialization (how are the requirements different for this area of specialization compared to other areas of specialization or to the major without an area of specialization). (For New specialization only.)
10. Estimate the number of students who will graduate with this major and degree each year and the number who will graduate with this area of specialization. (For New specialization only.)
11. What resources (faculty, courses, research facilities, library facilities, etc) are available to support the area of specialization? (For New specialization only.)
12. What future financial support will be needed? (For New specialization only.)
13. Provide a justification for removing the specialization(s). (For Removing a Specialization only.)
In January 2017, the Information Systems specialization was added to replace the Technology and Innovation Management specialization. At that time Information Systems was added, but there was no documentation to remove the Technology and Innovation Management specialization. These specializations are the same, just different names.