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**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ELECTIONS
UPDATES TO BERKELEY DIVISION MANUAL
11/15/24**

Pursuant to Senate Bylaw 80.C, Legislative Ruling 12.93A, and Berkeley Division Bylaw 26.A, the Committee on Rules and Election approved the following updates to the Berkeley Division Manual as conforming changes. The appropriate committees of the Division and systemwide Academic Senate have approved these degree programs.

A copy of the Berkeley Division Manual is available at: <https://academic-senate.berkeley.edu/resources/manual>

New Regulation

TITLE X. COLLEGE OF LETTERS AND SCIENCE

**821. MASTER OF COMPUTATIONAL SOCIAL SCIENCE
(CC. date)**

A. Admission

Admission to this degree program will require that candidates have (1) received a Bachelor's degree from the University of California or from another college or university of approved standing, (2) and provide evidence of high quality academic and professional work.

B. Degree Requirements

The Degree of Master of Computational Social Science (MCSS) shall be granted under the following conditions:

1. completion of at least twenty-four units of defined course work as specified by the Social Science Division of the College of Letters and Science;
2. completion of a Capstone project (Plan II) to be prepared in accordance with the rules of the Graduate Council under conditions specified by the Graduate Group in Computational Social Science; and
3. maintenance of a minimum average grade of B. No course in which

a grade lower than C- is assigned may be counted toward the requirements for the degree.

New Regulation

TITLE X. COLLEGE OF LETTERS AND SCIENCE

822. MASTER OF BIOTECHNOLOGY (M.B.T.)

(CC. date)

The degree of Master of Biotechnology (M.B.T.) will be granted under the following conditions. The candidate must have:

1. Completed the requirements for the Bachelor's degree in one the Colleges or Schools of the University of California or at another college or university of approved standing.
2. Completed a one-year program of graduate study (including a summer term) as specified by the Faculty of the Department of Molecular and Cell Biology and approved by the Graduate Council.
3. Only courses in which the candidate is assigned grades A, B, or C may be counted in satisfaction of the requirements for the M.B.T. degree.
4. Maintained a "B" average (3.0 GPA) in all courses taken during the candidate's residence at the University of California as a graduate student.
5. Completed a final capstone project prepared in accordance with the rules of the Graduate Council under the conditions as stated by the Department of Molecular and Cell Biology.

New Regulation

TITLE XII. RAUSSER COLLEGE OF NATURAL RESOURCES

883. MASTER OF CLIMATE SOLUTIONS (M.C.S.)

(CC. date)

A. Admission

Admission to this degree program will require that candidates have (1) received a Bachelor's degree from the University of California or from another college or university of approved standing, and (2) and evidence of high quality academic and/or professional work.

B. Degree Requirements

The Degree of Master of Climate Solutions (M.C.S.) shall be granted under the following conditions:

1. Completion of at least two semesters of course work as specified by the Faculties of the Rausser College of Natural Resources;
2. Completion of at least 29 units as specified by the Faculties of the Rausser College of Natural Resources;
3. Completion of a Capstone project (Plan II) to be prepared in accordance with the rules of the Graduate Council under conditions specified by the Faculties of the Rausser College of Natural Resources; and
4. Maintenance of a minimum average grade of B. No course in which a grade lower than C- is assigned may be counted toward the requirements for the degree.

Regulation Updates

BDR 820 Master of Fine Arts

The MFA is only offered by the Department of Art Practice. Move from Part III to Part II under L&S; renumber from 1510 to 820.

BDR 1003 Master of Development Practice

The MDP was created as an interdisciplinary program offered by a graduate group. As of July 2024, it has moved fully under the Goldman School of Public Policy. Move from Part III to Part II under GSPP; renumber from 1530 to 1003.