UMBC UGC Program Changes & Other Request: Visual Arts, Photography Concentration BFA

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Specifics (see instructions):

**PRESENT PHOTOGRAPHY CONCENTRATION BFA REQUIREMENTS:**

VISUAL ARTS CORE COURSES (27 credits) +

(18 credits)
ART327 Contemporary Directions in Photography
ART361 Digital Darkroom
ART362 B/W Photography
ART364 Studio Photography
ART366 Documentary Photography
ART489 Senior Projects

+ 6 of the following (18 credits):
ART365 Sequence and Time: Photography in Multi-Media Environments
ART367 Alternative Processes
ART368 Digital Alternatives
ART369 Topics in Photography
ART375 Photographic/Digital Processes in Printmaking
ART460 Installation Art
ART494 Internship
ART495 Independent Studio Research

+ 1 elective in Cinematic Arts or Print Media
+ 2 art electives (6 credits)

= Photography Emphasis (45 credits) + Visual Arts Core (27 credits) = 72 credits

**PROPOSED PHOTOGRAPHY CONCENTRATION BFA REQUIREMENTS:**

VISUAL ARTS CORE COURSES (27 credits) +

(21 credits)
ART327 Contemporary Directions in Photography
ART361 Digital Darkroom
ART362 B/W Photography
ART364 Studio Photography
ART366 Documentary Photography
ART461 Advanced Photographic Compositing (NEW COURSE)
ART489 Senior Projects

+ 6 of the following (18 credits):
ART365 Photography in Multimedia Environments (NEW NAME)
ART367 Alternative Processes
ART368 Digital Alternatives
ART369 Topics in Photography
ART375 Photographic/Digital Processes in Printmaking
ART460 Installation Art
ART462 Entrepreneurial Practices in Photography Practices in Photography (NEW COURSE)
ART494 Internship
ART495 Independent Studio Research

+ 2 art electives (6 credits)

= Photography Emphasis (45 credits) + Visual Arts Core (27 credits) = 72 credits

Rationale (see instructions):

a) What are the major departures from the current structure and why is the new structure preferable?
The revised requirements reflect the addition of 2 new courses (currently proposed) ART461 Advanced Photographic Compositing and ART462 Entrepreneurial Practices in Photography Practices in Photography. ART461 Advanced Photographic Compositing will be a required course in recognition of new industry needs in the fields of commercial and journalistic photography that require photographers to be able to construct photographs in addition to taking them, and to provide new approaches, concepts, and methods to students who wish to pursue fine arts photography. ART462 Entrepreneurial Practices in Photography Practices in Photography will be added as an optional 400-level course for the major and will prepare students for the ever-changing landscape of the discipline and will link classroom knowledge with outside local and national communities. We currently offer no 400-level major courses and these two courses will fill that gap.

b) What provisions will be made to accommodate current students if courses are discontinued?
Students in transition in between requirement changes will be accommodated.

c) If there is a change in required credits, please provide a specific justification for that change.

There is no change in the required credits.