

 FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY	PROGRAM CHANGE REQUEST Graduate Programs	UGPC Approval _____ UFS Approval _____ Banner Posted _____ Catalog _____
	Department Physics College Charles E. Schmidt College of Science	
Program Name M.S in Physics, and Ph.D. in Physics.		Effective Date <i>(TERM & YEAR)</i> Spring 2018 - early as poss
Please explain the requested change(s) and offer rationale below or on an attachment 1.) Change the application requirement for both programs so that the general GRE is no longer required, but instead the GRE physics subject test is required. This change was approved unanimously by the physics faculty by a vote at a faculty meeting in Fall of 2016. Rationale: From experience we find that the general GRE gives us little or no relevant information about the aptitude of applicants for our M.S. and Ph.D. programs, whereas the physics GRE subject test scores are highly correlated with success. 2.) For both programs, change the deadline for international applications for the fall from January 15th to June 1st, and make the deadline "soft" in the sense that late applications are still referred to the physics department. 3.) For both programs, change the deadline for international applications for the spring from July 15th to October 1st, and make the deadline "soft" in the sense that late applications are still referred to the physics department. Both of the above changes were approved unanimously in an email vote by the faculty of physics this month. Rationale: The original deadlines were too early.		
Faculty Contact/Email/Phone Dr. Jonathan Engle, Chair of graduate admissions in physics		Consult and list departments that may be affected by the change(s) and attach documentation Physics (no other departments are affected)
Approved by Department Chair _____ College Curriculum Chair _____ College Dean _____ UGPC Chair _____ UGC Chair _____ Graduate College Dean _____ UFS President _____ Provost _____		Date 12/18/17 2/11/18 2/11/18 _____ _____ _____ _____

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