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**2.Proposed Change**

Revisions to course description and prerequisite for PSY 4533 Abnormal Psychology.

**3.Effective Date**

Fall 2017

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The revised course description reflects organic changes to the course that has occurred over time. The addition of PSY 2013 Introduction to Psychology as a prerequisite is predicated on the belief that a basic understanding of the theoretical perspectives and research methods of psychology are required for non-majors to successfully complete the course. This prerequisite addition is also consistent with American Psychological Association’s *Guidelines for the Undergraduate Psychology Major* and a recent external review of the B.S. Psychology program. In addition, the current course offering frequency in the Bulletin is incorrect.

**Bulletin Changes**

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**PSY 4533. Abnormal Psychology** An introduction to various ~~mental~~ psychological disorders, including their ~~origins~~ diagnostic

criteria, risk factors, and characteristics according to the current Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental

Disorders. Prerequisite, PSY 2013 or instructor permission. Fall, Spring~~, Summer~~.