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### Part II. Description of Curriculum Change

1) New Catalog Descriptions.

#### GE 417 Technical Issues in GIS

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Prerequisite: GE 316

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2) List of Proposed Changes.

Course Title Change from GE/RP 417 GIS Applications Development to GE/RP 417 Technical Issues in GIS

Old descriptions:

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### 3) Rationale for the change.

In the past few years, as GIS technology has evolved, the notion of what constitutes an application has changed. GIS Applications Development used to mean the technical aspects of designing and creating an information system. Concerns such as data collection methods, information conflation, and geodetics were fundamental to implementing a GIS. As these fundamental issues have resolved through emerging standards, GIS Applications Development has come to be more concerned with developing procedures and methods for analysis and reporting. The course content of GE/RP 417 will not change. It will still focus on the technical aspects of creating a functional information system.

A new graduate course, GE 618, will be concerned with the design and use of tools to extract, manipulate, report, and map information in a GIS. For that reason we are renaming GE/RP 517 to Technical Issues in GIS and giving the name GIS Applications Development to GE 618.