

## Attachment 9. Summary of Changes for 2014 GSS

1. NCSES is finalizing the Taxonomy of Disciplines, which will result in the following changes to the GSS code list and GSS-CIP crosswalk.
  - Public Administration (GSS code 913), Family and Consumer/Human Science (GSS code 920), Communication (GSS code 930,) and Architecture (GSS code 940) were dropped; these fields are no long considered S&E fields eligible for the GSS.
  - Two CIP program titles have been dropped: Business/Managerial Economics (under code 903, Economics) and Organizational Behavior Studies (under code 910, Social Sciences not else classified).

Prior to data collection, units reported in 2013 will be reviewed and those to be deleted will be flagged. This information will be loaded into the instrument and coordinators will be asked to confirm the deletion of these units.

2. Changes to coordinator and unit respondent functions.
  - The instrument will be modified to provide direct survey access for alternate coordinators defined by the main school coordinator, who will have data entry, but not survey submission permissions.
  - A locking mechanism will be introduced to lock out specific survey questions from unit respondents, for increased flexibility in delegating parts of the survey for collection.