

Attachment 9. Summary of Changes Introduced in 2020-2022 GSS

1. Changes to the GSS code list and GSS-CIP crosswalk resulting from implementation of CIP 2020 and NCSES' Taxonomy of Disciplines

- In 2020 we made the following changes
 - Since most coordinators report graduate student data using CIP, it was important that GSS update the taxonomy to include the newest CIP codes on the same timeline as CIP. As part of this update,
 - new CIP codes were added,
 - CIP codes were changed,
 - and a small number of CIP codes were removed.
 - Most of the changes in CIP eligibility were made to ensure that the implementation of the new CIP codes included programs that were GSS eligible and likely were being reported (based on unit names).
 - The GSS codes of Data science and data analytics and of Medical clinical sciences were added for reporting new CIP codes in these fields.
 - Due to changes in CIP and TOD, Veterinary biomedical and clinical sciences were moved from Other health to Agricultural sciences (renamed Agricultural and veterinary sciences).
 - To improve alignment with TOD, Human development moved from Social sciences to Psychology.
 - In addition to the adjustments made due to the changes in CIP and TOD, GSS made additional changes based on data reporting patterns that emerged due to the 2017 redesign.
 - Generally, these changes created more detailed fields out of larger GSS codes or reorganized existing codes to align with current enrollment patterns.
 - Broad fields were added to Engineering for the first time.
 - In some cases, GSS codes with a small number of graduate students were combined for reporting purposes.
 - Please add the following tables table A-17, table A-18a, and table A-18b in the 2020 Technical Notes.

2. Changes to institutional eligibility

- Each year, institutions that report graduate completions to IPEDs in GSS-related fields that are not currently in the GSS are reviewed for eligibility. About 5 institutions each year are expected to be newly eligible.