California State University Channel Islands

NEW COURSE PROPOSAL

Courses must be submitted by November 5, 2007, to make the next catalog production

DATE (Change if modified)  11.5.07 REV 12.5.07
PROGRAM AREA(S)     COMM

1. Catalog Description of the Course. [Follow accepted catalog format.]
Prefix(es) (Add additional prefixes if cross-listed) COMM  Course No. 490
Title: SPECIAL TOPICS  Units: 3
☐ Prerequisites
☐ Corequisites
☐ Consent of Instructor Required for Enrollment
Description (Do not use any symbols): Investigates a prominent topic within the field of communication. Topics vary by semester. Repeatable by topic.

Grading Scheme:  Repeatability:  Lab Fee Required: ☐
☐ A-F Grades  ☑ Repeatable for a maximum of 6 units
☐ Credit/No Credit  Total Completions Allowed
☑ Optional (Student Choice)  Multiple Enrollment in Same Semester

Mode of Instruction/Components (Hours per Unit are defaulted).

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The following two lines will be filled out internally based on the Mode of Instruction data directly above.
3 hours lecture per week (Use 2nd line only if necessary)
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Course Attributes:
☐ General Education Categories: All courses with GE categories notations (including deletions) must be processed at the GE website: http://summit.csuci.edu/geapproval Upon completion, the GE Committee will forward your documents to the Curriculum Committee for further processing.

A (English Language, Communication, Critical Thinking)
☐ A-1 Oral Communication
☐ A-2 English Writing
☐ A-3 Critical Thinking

B (Mathematics, Sciences & Technology)
☐ B-1 Physical Sciences
☐ B-2 Life Sciences – Biology
☐ B-3 Mathematics – Mathematics and Applications
☐ B-4 Computers and Information Technology

C (Fine Arts, Literature, Languages & Cultures)
☐ C-1 Art
☐ C-2 Literature Courses
☐ C-3a Language
☐ C-3b Multicultural

D (Social Perspectives)

E (Human Psychological and Physiological Perspectives)
UDIGE/INTD Interdisciplinary
Meets University Writing Requirement
Meets University Language Requirement

☐ American Institutions, Title V Section 40404: ☐Government ☐US Constitution ☐US History
Refer to website, Exec Order 405, for more information:  http://senate.csuci.edu/comm.curriculum/resources.htm
☐ Service Learning Course

3. Justification and Requirements for the Course. (Make a brief statement to justify the need for the course)
A. Justification: Allows program to offer course by interest of faculty. Topics will represent timely/current issues within the field not covered within other courses.

B. Degree Requirement: ☐ Requirement for the Major/Minor ☑ Elective for the Major/Minor
Note: Submit Program Modification if this course changes your program.

4. Learning Objectives. (Bullets, will occur upon carriage return)
Upon completion of the course, the student will be able to:
• Analyze Communication topic in greater depth.
• Prepare a detailed paper based on the topic.
• Present their findings to their peers.
• Discuss readings on topic within class.

5. Course Content in Outline Form. [Be as brief as possible, but use as much space as necessary]

I. Varies based on topic.

Does this course overlap a course offered in your academic program? YES ☐ NO ☑
If YES, what course(s) and provide a justification of the overlap?

Does this course overlap a course offered in another academic area? YES ☐ NO ☑
If YES, what course(s) and provide a justification of the overlap?
Signature of Academic Chair(s) of the other academic area(s) is required on the signature sheet below.

6. Cross-listed Courses (Please note each prefix in item No. 1)
A. List Cross-listed Courses (Signature of Academic Chair(s) of the other academic area(s) is required).
Prefix for cross-listed discipline(s):

B. Department responsible for staffing: Communication

7. References. [Provide 3 - 5 references on which this course is based and/or support it.]
• Varies based on topic.

8. List Faculty Qualified to Teach This Course.
• Trudy Milburn, Tracylee Clarke, other Communication faculty

9. Effective Date
A. First semester offered: Fall 2008

10. New Resources Required. YES ☐ NO ☑
If YES, list the resources needed and obtain signatures from the appropriate programs/units on the sheet below.
A. Computer (data processing), audio visual, broadcasting needs, other equipment

B. Library needs

C. Facility/space needs

11. Will this new course alter any degree, credential, certificate, or minor in your program? YES ☒ NO ☐
If, YES attach a program modification form for all programs affected.
Catalog deadline for New Minors and Programs (including modifications): October 15, 2007, preceding year.
Catalog deadline for Course Proposals and Modifications: November 9, 2007, of preceding year.
Last day to submit any work to be considered for the academic year: April 15th.

Trudy Milburn 11/5/2007
Proposer of Course Date
## Approval Sheet

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