CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY CHANNEL ISLANDS

COURSE MODIFICATION PROPOSAL

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

DATE (CHANGE DATE IF REVISED): NOV 5, 2007 REV 12.13.07

PROGRAM AREA(S): HISTORY

Directions: All of sections of this form must be completed for course modifications.

1. Catalog Description of the Course.
   [Follow accepted catalog format.] (If Cross-listed please submit prefixes for each discipline being modified)

   OLD
   Prefix HIST Course# 413 Title World Religions and Classical Philosophy Units (3)
   3 hours lecture per week
   hours blank per week

   NEW
   Prefix HIST Course# 413 Title World Religions and Classical Philosophies Units (3)
   3 hours lecture per week
   hours blank per week

   Prerequisites: ENGL 330
   Corequisites:
   Description (Do not use any symbols): This course studies and compares some major religions and philosophical schools in the ancient world. It examines how different societies and peoples have formed their basic assumptions concerning the universe, faith, human nature and society, and how those fundamental assumptions have affected their chosen modes of thinking, ways of life, organizations of society, forms of government, and approaches to knowledge.

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   Prefix HIST Course# 413 Title World Religions and Classical Philosophies Units (3)
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   Prerequisites: HIST 211 or equivalent
   Corequisites:
   Description: Studies and compares major religions and philosophical schools in the ancient world. Examines how different societies and peoples have formed their basic assumptions concerning the universe, faith, human nature and society, and how those fundamental assumptions have affected their chosen modes of thinking, ways of life, organizations of society, forms of government, and approaches to knowledge.

   Gen Ed Categories D
   Lab Fee Required
   Graded
   CR/NC
   Repeatable for up to
   units
   Multiple
   Enrollment in same semester
   Optional (Student’s choice)

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

2. Mode of instruction (Hours per Unit are defaulted for you) Hegis Code(s) (Provided by the Dean)

   Existing
   Proposed

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3. Course Content in Outline Form if Being Changed. [Be as brief as possible, but use as much space as necessary]

   OLD
   no change

   NEW
   no change
4. Justification and Learning Objectives for the Course.  (Indicate whether required or elective, and whether it meets University Writing, and/or Language requirements) [Use as much space as necessary]

OLD
Learning Objectives:
Students who successfully pass this course will be able to:
-- describe the emergences of some of the major religions and philosophical schools in world history.
-- write analyses of the roles and functions those religions and philosophies played in shaping history and society.
-- develop explanations that compare basic characteristics of different religions and philosophies.

NEW
same

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

OLD
Richard H. Popkin, ed.  The Columbia History of Western Philosophy (Columbia Univ Press, 1999)
Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan and Charles A. Moore, eds.  A Source Book in Indian Philosophy (957; Princeton Univ Press, 1989)
David C. Lindberg.  The Beginnings of Western Science: The European Scientific Tradition in Philosophical, Religious and Institutional Context, 600 BC to AD 1450 (University Chicago Press, 1992)

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same

6. Indicate Changes and Justification for Each.  [Check all that apply and follow with justification.  Be as brief as possible but, use as much space as necessary.]

☐ Course title
☐ Prefix/suffix
☐ Course number
☐ Units
☐ Staffing formula and enrollment limits
☒ Prerequisites/corequisites
☐ Catalog description
☐ Course content
☐ References
☐ GE
☐ Other

Justification:  Faculty have found that students with background in ancient history, such as provided by HIST 211 which introduces ancient world civilizations, do much better in this course than those without.  Indeed, having to go over the contexts in which the philosophies and religions that are the focus of the course emerge and develop detract from the analytic and comparative objectives of the course as so much time is spent on basic introductory material and timelines.  Having HIST 211 or the equivalent as a prerequisite will improve the success of students in the course and allow for deeper historical and philosophical analyses.

7. ☒ 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)

8. New Resources Required. YES ☐ NO ☒
   If YES, list the resources needed and obtain signatures from the appropriate programs/units on the consultation sheet below.
   a. Computer (data processing), audio visual, broadcasting needs, other equipment
   b. Library needs
   c. Facility/space needs

9. Will this course modification alter any degree, credential, certificate, or minor in your program? YES ☐ NO ☒
   If YES attach a program modification form for all programs affected.

10. Effective Date (Semester and Year – all modifications submitted prior to November 5th will be effective in the Fall 2008 catalog): Fall 2008
    Marie Francois 11/5/07
    Proposer of Course Modification Date

GE CRITERIA APPROVAL FORM

Course Number and Title:  HIST 413 World Religions and Classical Philosophies (3 Units)

Faculty Member(s) Proposing Course: Frank Barajas, Rainer Buschmann, Nian-Sheng Huang

Indicate which of the following categories would be satisfied by this course by marking an “X” on the appropriate lines.
Courses may be placed in up to two GE categories as appropriate. Upper Division Interdisciplinary GE courses may be placed in two categories plus the UDIGE category.

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Lab Included? Yes ______ No ☒

Please provide a brief explanation of how the proposed course meets each of the criteria for the selected General Education categories.
--This course studies and compares some major religions and major philosophical schools in the ancient world.

--It examines and compares how different societies and peoples have formed their basic assumptions concerning the universe, faith, human nature and society, and how those fundamental assumptions have affected their chosen modes of thinking, ways of life, organizations of society, forms of government, and approaches to knowledge.

--It strongly emphasizes on students’ improving their analytical thinking and writing skills, and has a series of long and short written assignments throughout the course.
Approval Sheet

Program/Course:
If your course has a General Education Component or involves Center affiliation, the Center will also sign off during the approval process.

Multiple Chair fields are available for cross-listed courses.

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