# CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY CHANNEL ISLANDS COURSE MODIFICATION PROPOSAL Courses must be submitted by October 15, 2012, and finalized by the end of the fall semester to make the next catalog (2013-14) production

Date (Change date each time revised): 10.1.12; Rev 11.28.12GE; Rev 12.5.12 Program Area(s): UNIV

Directions: All of sections of this form must be completed for course modifications. Use YELLOWED areas to enter data. All documents are stand alone sources of course information.

**1.** Indicate Changes and Justification for Each. [Mark all change areas 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 x Catalog description X Mode of Instruction

Course Content Course Learning Outcomes References X GE Other Reactivate Course

Justification: Adding expectation of out of class meetings on bi-weekly basis with peer mentors.

### 2. Course Information.

[Follow accepted catalog format.] (Add additional prefixes i f cross-listed)

OLD Prefix UNIV Course# 349 Title Transfer Year Seminar Units (3) hours lecture per week hours blank per week

Prerequisites:

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General Education Categories: A3, E, UDIGE Grading Scheme (Select one below):

X A - F

Credit/No Credit

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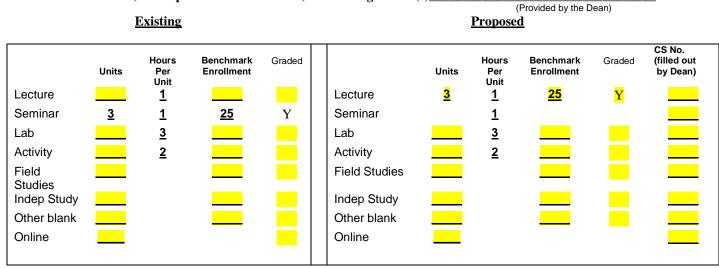
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### **3.** Mode of Instruction (Hours per Unit are defaulted)



Hegis Code(s)

### 4. Course Attributes:

**X** General Education Categories: All courses with GE category notations (including deletions) must be submitted to the GE website: <u>http://summit.csuci.edu/geapproval</u>. 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
- x A-3 Critical Thinking

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B (Mathematics, Sciences & Technology)
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- **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)
- x E (Human Psychological and Physiological Perspectives)
- x UDIGE/INTD Interdisciplinary

### Meets University Writing Requirement

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

**Service Learning Course** (Approval from the Center for Community Engagement must be received before you can request this course attribute).

Online Course (Answer YES if the course is ALWAYS delivered online).

### 5. Justification and Requirements for the Course. [Make a brief statement to justify the need for the course]

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Requirement for the Major/Minor Elective for the Major/Minor	Requirement for the Major/Minor Elective for the Major/Minor
x Free Elective	x Free Elective

Submit Program Modification if this course changes your program.

6. Student Learning Outcomes. (List in numerical order. Please refer to the Curriculum Committee's "Learning Outcomes" guideline for measurable outcomes that reflect elements of Bloom's Taxonomy: <u>http://senate.csuci.edu/comm/curriculum/resources.htm</u>. The committee recommends 4 to 8 student learning outcomes, unless governed by an external agency (e.g., Nursing).

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# 7. Course Content in Outline Form. (Be as brief as possible, but use as much space as necessary) OLD NEW

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Does this course content overlap with a course offered in your academic program? Yes	No x
If YES, what course(s) and provide a justification of the overlap.	

Does this course content overlap a course offered in another academic area? Yes No x If YES, what course(s) and provide a justification of the overlap.

**Overlapping courses require Chairs' signatures.** 

8. 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).
- B. List each cross-listed prefix for the course:
- C. Program responsible for staffing: UNIV

### 9. References. [Provide 3-5 references]

**OLD** Augsburg, T. Becoming Interdisciplinary: An Introduction to Interdisciplinary Studies. 2nd Ed. Dubuque, IA: Kendall/Hunt, 2006. [This book is accessible to undergraduate readers.]

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#### 10. Tenure Track Faculty qualified to teach this course.

Julia Balen, Brad Monsma, Andrea Grove, Marie Francois, Cindy Wyels, Antonio Jimenez, Geoff Buhl, Kathryn Leonard, and many others

### 11. Requested Effective Date or First Semester offered: Fall 2013

- 12. New Resource Requested: Yes No x If YES, list the resources needed.
  - A. Computer Needs (data processing, audio visual, broadcasting, other equipment, etc.)
  - B. Library Needs (streaming media, video hosting, databases, exhibit space, etc.)
  - C. Facility/Space/Transportation Needs:
  - D. Lab Fee Requested: Yes No x (Refer to the Dean's Office for additional processing)
  - E. Other.

# 13. Will this course modification alter any degree, credential, certificate, or minor in your program? Yes No x If, YES attach a program update or program modification form for all programs affected. Priority deadline for New Minors and Programs: October 1, 2012 of preceding year. Priority deadline for Course Proposals and Modifications: October 15, 2012. Last day to submit forms to be considered during the current academic year: April 15<sup>th</sup>.

Marie Francois

<mark>10/1/12</mark>

Date

GE Committee response to your request have UNIV349: Transfer Year Seminar added to E: Human Physiological and Psychological Perspectives

Approved by 2011-2012 Committee: Janet Rizzoli Colleen Forest Geoffrey Buhl Nitika Parmar Frank Barajas Neva Kilpatrick Claudio Paiva Kathy Musashi Todd Oberson

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## Request Submitted

Course: UNIV349 Transfer Year Seminar Area: E Human Physiological and Psychological Perspectives Date Submitted: 10/12/2011 12:42:21 PM Date Approved: 11/28/2012 2:49:53 PM

1. Focus on some aspect of human physiology, psychology, health, or physical activity

Students in this course will critically assess the psychological, societal and economical impact of social problems or issues on human populations in their communities, countries and in the world. For example, a course with a focus on ocean fisheries might engage issues around lead and other unhealthy elements found in fish, and will learn about the healthy attributes of seafood such as omega3 fatty acids. Another course on land use and farmworker issues might engage issues of pesticide use, which affects both farm workers and consumers, and learn about the physical demands of stoop labor. As a third example, in a course addressing adult illiteracy students could focus on the psychological impact of this impediment to communicating in a digital world.

2. Promote an understanding the humans, as physiological and psychological beings, exist and live in a social and physical environment

This course will promote in students their own development as self-reflective, culturally aware, and responsive community participants in their existence as both pyschological and physiological beings. It also develops students' habits of mind that promote life-long learning and wellness.

GE Committee response to your request have UNIV349: Transfer Year Seminar added to A3: Critical Thinking

Approved by 2011-2012 Committee: Janet Rizzoli Colleen Forest Geoffrey Buhl Nitika Parmar Frank Barajas Neva Kilpatrick Claudio Paiva Kathy Musashi Todd Oberson

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Course: UNIV349 Transfer Year Seminar Area: A3 Critical Thinking Date Submitted: 10/6/2011 12:51:54 PM Date Approved: 11/28/2012 2:51:12 PM

1. Prepare the student to use reasoning of both inductive and deductive types

Through the textbooks and supplemental readings, students will be introduced to both types of reasoning. We will use mission-based examples for students to practice using inductive and deductive reasoning skills.

2. Focus on the analysis of written, oral, visual and/or symbolic communication

Within this course, students will have the opportunity to analyze scholarly work related to a focus issue or societal problem, including narrative and quantitative arguments.

3. Prepare the student to assess common fallacies in reasoning

This course will present students with tools to identify common fallacies in the context of studying a social problem as they examine related arguments. The students will have to recognize which fallacies are commonly used within particular discourses. Furthermore, students will have to critique particular messages while abstaining from common fallacious traps. This course will introduce students, through critical thinking models, to academic discourse expectations in different disciplines with regard to these topics.

4. Address modes of argument, rhetorical perspectives, and the relationship of language to logic

Examining scholarly journals, newspaper editorials, newscasts, popular magazine articles, literature, and nonfiction writing (for some examples) related to problem-based inquiry will helping students learn to discern the relationship between language and action. Through reading assignments, group projects and class discussion, students will have to compare different perspectives and produce logically sound arguments. GE Committee response to your request have UNIV349: Transfer Year Seminar added to UDIGE: Upper Division Interdisciplinary GE

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Request Submitted

Course: UNIV349 Transfer Year Seminar Area: UDIGE Upper Division Interdisciplinary GE Date Submitted: 10/6/2011 12:54:56 PM Date Approved: 11/28/2012 2:52:19 PM

1. Emphasize interdisciplinarity by integrating content, ideas, and approaches from two or more disciplines

Each Transfer Year Seminar will integrate content, ideas and approaches to examine a compelling social issue or problem from multiple disciplinary perspectives. For example, students might focus on ocean fisheries, combining aspects of biology, business, and policy. Another course might approach land use issues from resource management, political, economic, and anthropological perspectives. As a third example, students might approach solving the problem of adult illiteracy through sociological, educational, and psychological lenses.

2. Include substantive written work consisting of in-class writing as well as outside class writing of revised prose. Examples of appropriate written work include: short papers, long papers, term papers, lab reports, documentation, disciplinary-based letters and memos, and essays.

The Transfer Year Seminar will be writing intensive with written reflections on the transfer experience, on the disciplinary readings, and problem-solving. Students will do substantial writing and rewriting, supported by interventions with peer mentors and writing tutors and the use of eportfolios, especially for those students whose writing needs more formative development of written communication skills in order to succeed in upper division courses for their majors.

# **Approval Sheet**

# Course: UNIV 349

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.

The CI program review process includes a report from the respective department/program on its progress toward accessibility requirement compliance. By signing below, I acknowledge the importance of incorporating accessibility in course design.

Program Chair		
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General Education Chair		
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Center for Intl Affairs Director		
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Center for Integrative Studies Director		
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