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At the March 15, 2004 meeting of the Curricular Affairs Committee the following matters were considered and are now presented to the Faculty Senate.

SECTION I

Informational Matters

A. College of Arts and Sciences

1. Department of Biological Sciences

CHANGE: Description and method of instruction for BIO 121 as follows:

BIO 121 Human Anatomy (4)

Elementary anatomy of the organ systems, studies with the aid of charts, models, and predissected specimens. (Lec. 3, Lab. 3) Open to B.A. biology, B.S., biological sciences, physical education, dental hygiene, nursing, pharmacy, pre-physical therapy, clinical lab science and dietetics majors only.

2. Department of Communication Studies

a. CHANGE: Course number for the following courses:
1) COM 205 to COM 209 (205)
2) COM 215 to COM 208 (215)
3) COM 216 to COM 207 (216)
4) COM 220 to COM 251 (220)
5) COM 317 to COM 308 (317)
6) COM 320 to COM 351 (320)
7) COM 337 to COM 361 (337)
8) COM 345 to COM 322 (345)
9) COM 360 to COM 307 (360)

b. CHANGE: course number and prerequisite for the following courses:

1) COM 300 A& B to COM 316 A & B; prerequisite to COM 209, 210
2) COM 306 to COM 381; prerequisite to COM 202, 221
3) COM 314 to COM 324; prerequisite to COM 202, 221

c. CHANGE: prerequisite for COM 302 to "Pre: 202."

B. College of the Environment and Life Sciences

Department of Nutrition and Food Sciences

CHANGE: Title and description for the following courses:

1) NFS 227 Scientific Principles of Food I (3)

Chemical, physical, sensory and nutritional properties of food related to processes used in food preparation. Emphasis on water, carbohydrates, lipids and the sensory evaluation of food. (Lec. 2, Lab. 3) Pre: 207, CHM 124.

2) NFS 337 Scientific Principles of Food II (3)
Chemical, physical, sensory and nutritional properties of food related to processes used in food preparation. Emphasis on proteins, scientific principles of baked goods, and research applications. (Lec. 2, Lab. 3) Pre: 227.

C. College of Human Science and Services

Department of Textiles, Fashion Merchandising and Design

CHANGE: Prerequisite for TMD 303 by adding "Students must be admitted to the degree-granting college (HSS) as TMD or TM majors."

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SECTION II

Curricular Matters Which Require Confirmation by the Faculty Senate

A. College of Arts and Sciences

Department of Communication Studies

a. ADD: The following courses:

1) COM 382 Communication Theory (3)

A critical survey of social science based communication theories; an examination of the nature, processes and functions of communication theory in a variety of contexts. (Lec 3) Pre: 100, 202 and 221.

2) COM 383 Rhetorical Theory (3)

Surveys and analyzes rhetorical communication theories and theorists from classical to contemporary times and focuses on rhetoric's relationship with philosophy, knowledge, reason, science, technology, and culture. (Lec. 3) Pre: 100, 202 and 221.

3) COM 385 Communication and Social Influence (3)

Focuses on theories of social influence in interpersonal, group, and public settings. Topics include audience analysis, ethics, motivation, messages, psychological and rhetorical, principles, source credibility, and attitude
change. (Lec. 3) Pre: 100, 202, 210 and junior standing or permission of instructor.

b. DELETE: The following courses:

1) COM 200 The Art of Human Communication (3)

2) COM 206 Introduction to Communication Studies (3)

c. CHANGE: Level, number, description and prerequisite for COM 101 and COM 103 as follows:

1) COM 202 (101) Public Speaking (3)

Theory, attitudes and skills essential to effective and ethical public communication. Focus on research, selection and use of evidence, construction of arguments, organization, audience analysis and presentational skills. (Lec. 3) Pre: 100.

2) COM 221 (103) Interpersonal Communication (3)

Examines basic theory and skills, including impart of perception, self-concept, listening, nonverbal messages, and language on interpersonal communication, including conflict, relationship development, friendship, family and romantic relationships. (Lec. 3) Pre: 100.

d. CHANGE: Curricular requirements for the major in communication Studies to read as follows:

COM 100 with a grade of B or better, along with the declaration of any potential minors must be completed before transferring to the College of Arts & Sciences as a major. Communication Studies requires a minimum of 36 credits (maximum 51) in the major, including COM 202, 221, 381, 382, and 383. The remaining credits will be distributed as follows: at least 2 courses (6 credits) of COM 200 level, at least 2 courses (6 credits) COM 300 level, and at least 3 courses (9 credits) COM 400 level. Courses of independent study and internships do not fulfill the requirements for the major.

B. College of the Environment and Life Sciences

Department of Resource Economics
ADD: REN 205 Resource Management and Conservation (3)

Introduction to economically efficient resource management, the
development of management regimes that support a sustainable economy;
valuation, property rights, market structure, dynamic resource
management. (Lec. 3) Pre: 105.

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SECTION III

Joint Report of the Curricular Affairs Committee and Graduate Council
on

400-Level Courses

At the Curricular Affairs Committee's meetings of January 26, February
16 and March 15, 2004 and the Graduate Council's meeting of March 26,
2004, the following matters were considered and are now presented to the
Faculty Senate.

A. Informational Matters

1. College of Arts and Sciences

*a. Department of Art

ADD: ARH 475X Classical Archaeology: Critical Approaches to the Greek
and Roman Past (3)

Study of material remains of ancient Greek and Roman(and related)
cultures. Critical analysis of art, artifacts and architecture with attention
to changing approaches to interpreting antiquity. (Seminar) Pre: at least 3
credits at the 300-level in art history, history or anthropology; or
permission of instructor.

*b. Department of Art and Department of Sociology and Anthropology

ADD: ARH 465X (or APG 465X) Seminar in Cultural Heritage (3)

Investigates how global development, commercialization, and conflicts
affect humankind's cultural heritage. Examines some ethical issues and
legal strategies for protecting cultural sites, artifacts, and traditional folkways. (Lec. 3) Pre: at least 3 credits at the 300-level in anthropology, art history, or history; or permission of the instructor.

c. Department of Communication Studies

1) CHANGE: Number for the following courses:

a) COM 400 to COM 411 (400)

* b) COM 410 to COM 405 (410)

c) COM 420 to COM 409 (420)

d) COM 430 to COM 407 (430)

e) COM 447 to COM 462 (447)

f) COM 465 to COM 441 (465)

2) CHANGE: Number and prerequisite for the following courses:

a) COM 403 to COM 421; prerequisite to "221."

b) COM 437 to COM 461; prerequisite to "361."

b) COM 460 to COM 422; prerequisite to "221, 251."

3) CHANGE: Prerequisite for COM 450 to "Pre: 351."

B. Curricular Matters Which Require Confirmation by the Faculty Senate

1. College of Arts and Sciences

*a. Department of Biological Sciences

CHANGE: Title, credits, description for BIO 491, 492:

BIO 491, 492, Independent Biological Research (1-3 each)

Individualized laboratory, field or literature research projects. S/U only. May be repeated for a total of 6 credits. Pre: Open only to undergraduates on arrangement with staff.
b. Department of Communication Studies

* 1) ADD: COM 414 The Rhetoric of Sports in Film (3)

Studies the rhetoric of sports in film. Students identify and analyze rhetorical messages embedded in films that deal with sports as reflections of the filmmaker's vision by applying film and rhetorical theory. (Lec. 3) Pre: 381 and 383. Not for graduate credit.

2) CHANGE: Number, title, description and prerequisite for COM 400:

COM 411 Advanced Rhetorical Theory (3)

Advanced study of select contemporary rhetorical theories and their relevance to current topics in language, knowledge, philosophy, culture, modernity and postmodernity. (Lec. 3) Pre: 383.

c. Department of History and Department of Sociology and Anthropology

ADD: HIS 490 (or APG 490) Underwater Historical Archaeology (3)

Methodological and theoretical foundations of underwater historical archaeology. Examines the contribution of shipwrecks and other inundated sites to our understanding of the global nature of modern life. (Seminar) Pre: At least three credits of course work at the 300-level in History, Anthropology or Art History, or permission of instructor

2. College of Business Administration

ADD: The following new courses:

* 1) FIN 422, 423 Student Investment Fund I and II (3 each)

Students analyze industries and companies and manage stocks owned by the Alumni Association. (Seminar) Night class held in Trading Room. Enrollment is by competitive application. 423 is a continuation of 422 and may not be taken for credit in Finance. Not for graduate credit.

2) FIN 428 Mutual Funds Management (3)

Overview of mutual funds business. Portfolio management, risk management techniques, shareholder servicing, Federal and state
regulatory oversight, marketing and distribution, custody, technology and societal issues. (Lec. 3) Pre 301, 322 or MBA 560 or permission of instructor

* 3. College of Human Science and Services

Department of Physical Education and Exercise Science

CHANGE: Credits for PEX 484 Supervised Field Work to "12" and prerequisite to "Pre: 369, 370 and 420."

4. College of Pharmacy

Departments of Applied Pharmaceutical Sciences and Pharmacy Practice

CHANGE: Course number, description and prerequisite for APS 404 (or PHP 404) to read:

APS 504 (or PHP 504) Pharmacokinetics II (3)

Applied pharmacokinetics, principles of clinical pharmacology, therapeutic drug monitoring and dose individualization. (Lec) Pre: 403, fifth year standing or permission of instructor, offered every Fall semester

* No action by Graduate Council. Not for graduate credit.