

2011-136 Change ANTH 2000 and 2000W – add prerequisite, drop GenEd category

1. Date: 19 November, 2013 [revision of proposal dated 5 April 2011 [revision of proposal dated 10 April 2010]]
2. Department: Anthropology
3. Nature of Proposed Change: Add prerequisite to a course and its 'W' variant; drop a GenEd category.
4. **Current Catalog Copy:**

2000. Social Anthropology

(220) Either semester. Three credits.

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2000W. Social Anthropology

(220W) Prerequisite: ENGL 1010 or 1011 or 3800. CA 2. CA 4.

5. Proposed Catalog Copy:

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6. Effective Date : immediately
Justification

1. Reasons for changing this course:

Second update: We would like to add the language “or consent of instructor” to the prerequisites. In rare cases when a student, (particularly one at the branch campuses where course selection is more limited), is having unusual difficulty fulfilling GenEd requirements, or has suitable breadth in anthropological training, it will still be possible for them to take the course at the instructor’s discretion.

[Update to the original rationale: Extensive departmental discussion has ensued since this proposal was presented to the Senate GEOC, which told us that we could not add the prerequisites and retain the 2000 listing in two GenEd categories. The reason has to do with a ban on applying two courses in the same department to the same GenEd category (both 1000 and 1006 are listed as CA 2 & CA 4; our Major requires either 1000 or 1006 and 2000).

[In a recent review of our introductory courses we recognized the need to eliminate overlapping content between them and to define their curricular roles more precisely. This proposal is one step toward that end. This course has been a popular “GenEd” offering for many years, but it is also a required course for our Majors, who have first priority for enrollment. The department relies on this course to deliver advanced material, but instructors feel obliged to “dumb down” the level because some enrolled students have no previous Anthropology coursework. The proposed change ensures that all enrolled students will have had adequate preparation.]]

2. Effect on Department's Curriculum: Improves this course’s effectiveness as preparation for Majors.

3. Other Departments Consulted (see Note N): None.

4. Effects on Other Departments: None. Our Majors

already have first priority for enrollment.

5. Effects on Regional Campuses: None.

6. Staffing: No effect.

7. Dates approved by (see Note Q):

Department Curriculum Committee: 18 Nov/13 (1 Apr/11)

Department Faculty: 18 Nov/13 (1 Apr/11)

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