Departmental Course Proposals for the 17 March 2009 Meeting

1. Proposals postponed from an earlier meeting
   (Italics indicate a proposal awaiting departmental revision)

2008 – 155 Proposal to Add MARN 5935 [Postponed at department’s request]
1. Date: 24 October 2008
2. Department requesting this course: Marine Sciences
3. Semester and year in which course will be first offered: Fall 2009

Final catalog Listing
MARN 5035. Environmental Analytical Techniques
3 credits. 2 hours lecture, 3 hours lab. Prerequisite: CHEM127 and 128 or consent of instructor. Skoog, Mason. Basic analytical concepts and techniques used in marine chemistry and marine biology.

Items included in catalog Listing:

Obligatory Items
1. Standard abbreviation for Department or Program (see Note O): MARN
2. Course Number (see Note B): 5034
3. Course Title: Environmental Analytical Techniques
4. Course description (if appropriate -- see Note K):
   Basic analytical concepts and techniques used in marine chemistry and biology.
5. Number of Credits): 3
6. Course type Lecture and lab

Optional Items
7. Prerequisites CHEM127 and 128 or consent of instructor
8. Recommended Preparation
9. Consent of Instructor, above
10. Exclusions, if applicable (see Note H):
11. Repetition for credit, if applicable (see Note I):
12. S/U grading, if applicable (see Note X):

Justification
1. Reasons for adding this course: (see Note L)
The department has acquired a large number of analytical instruments during the past 10 years. This equipment is used extensively by our graduate students. There is presently no course that focuses on analytical techniques.

2. Academic Merit (see Note L):
The department has no course with focus on analytical techniques and their physical, biological or chemical basis. This course will give our grad students a way of learning a number of analytical techniques they can use in their research while at the same time learning about the fundamental chemical principles behind the techniques and analytical applications in general. Statistical approaches and experimental design will also be discussed. The course will endeavor to include discussion of the major branches of analytical chemical techniques (spectroscopy, spectrometry, chromatography, electrochemistry) and applications based on kinetics and thermodynamic principles.
Environmental Analytical Techniques (EAT)

**Principles of basic analytical techniques used in marine environments, 3 credits**

I. Professors: Annelie Skoog, room 384, Marine Sciences Building
   E-mail: annelie.skoog@uconn.edu
   Robert Mason, room 388, Marine Sciences Building
   E-mail: robert.mason@uconn.edu

A. Class Hours: Mon, Wed
B. Office Hours: By arrangement
C. Prerequisites: Basic chemistry or consent of professor

II. Course Aim and Scope:
A. Aim: To familiarize students with basic analytical concepts and techniques used in marine chemistry.
B. Scope: Subject material will emphasize:
   1. Function of equipment in the SMALER facility and equipment owned by faculty in the department
   2. Active use of analytical techniques
   3. Appropriate documentation of analytical work and results
   4. Basic statistical techniques useful for evaluation of analytical data
   5. Basic concepts in chromatography and spectroscopy
   6. Whole core sediment incubations and processes occurring in the sediment and at the sediment-water interface.

III. Course Format/Function:
A. Lectures: Usually Monday, but see the schedule for exceptions. Before class, handouts will be distributed that contain pertinent figures and tables. Many class notes can be taken on the handout.
B. Laboratories: Usually 3 hours on Wednesdays, but see the schedule for exceptions. In addition, during the sediment-core incubation, students are required to take turns sampling the cores on a schedule determined by the student group. Expect to spend ~3 hours per sampling time. See handout on sediment-core incubation for further information.
C. Laboratory notebook: You are expected to keep a VERY detailed laboratory notebook. The notebook is due at the end of the semester and will be graded for completeness, readability, and neatness. Leave the first few pages of the notebook open when you start it – this should be used to add an index. Number the pages consecutively. Write only on the left or right hand pages. One page in each spread should be left open so you can add additional notes if needed. DO NOT take notes on other paper and copy it in to your lab note book. The lab note book should always be with you in the lab and you should be using it continuously.
D. Laboratory reports: Reports on technique and data are due ~one week after the lab (see schedule for due dates). All lab reports are expected to include Introduction, Methods, Results, and Discussion. All should be brief. The Introduction should be a brief description of the technique and the equipment used. The Methods section should include information on chemicals used, range of concentrations for standard curves, \( r^2 \) for standard curves, and information on any statistical method used. Results should include appropriately formatted figures with figure legends and a brief description of the results. (As in the Results section in a paper). The Discussion should include one paragraph discussing the results.
E. Reading logs: A reading log will be required for all material read in class (including copies of book chapters and primary literature) and will be graded for content, clarity, and context. The reading logs are due at the end of the semester. The reading logs should have the format of informal notes, comments, and connections with present or previous research performed by the student. The comments and connections with research are the most important for the grade on this assignment.
F. Final paper and presentations. The student will write a short paper (10-12 pages double spaced, not including Reference list) on a subset of data from the class. The student chooses the subset, but the data should include at least 3 of the techniques and results from the class. The chosen data should give a coherent picture of one or more processes. The paper should include Abstract, Introduction, Methods, Results, Discussion, Conclusion, and References. You will also give
an American-Society-of-Limnology-and-Oceanography-format talk on your paper (12 minutes for talk, 3 for questions) using Power Point on the final day of class.

E. Grading: Course grades will be based on a variety of activities:

1. Final exam (30%)
2. Reading log (10%)
3. Lab reports (20%)
4. Lab note book (10%)
5. Final paper and talk (15%)
6. Overall class participation and participation quality (15%)

IV. Literature:
A. Primary literature and short sections from analytical books. Expect 1-3 papers per week.
2008 – 177 Proposal to Add LING 3791 [pending revision]

1. Date: 11/05/08
2. Department requesting this course: Linguistics
3. Semester and year in which course will be first offered: spring semester 2009

Final catalog Listing (see Note A):
LING 3791. Internship
Either semester. One to three credits. Open only with consent of instructor. May be repeated for credit. Individual work directed by a faculty member.

Items included in catalog Listing:
Obligatory Items
1. Standard abbreviation for Department or Program (see Note O): LING
2. Course Number (see Note B): 3791
   If using a specific number (e.g. “254” instead of “2XX”), have you checked with the Registrar that this number is available for use? X Yes ___ No
3. Course Title: Internship
4. Semester offered (see Note C): Either
5. Number of Credits (see Note D): One to three credits.
6. Course description (second paragraph of catalog entry -- see Note K): Individual work directed by a faculty member.

Optional Items
7. Number of Class Periods, if not standard (see Note E):
8. Prerequisites, if applicable (see Note F):
9. Recommended Preparation, if applicable (see Note G):
10. Consent of Instructor, if applicable (see Note T): Required
11. Exclusions, if applicable (see Note H):
12. Repetition for credit, if applicable (see Note I): Repeatable
13. Instructor(s) names if they will appear in catalog copy (see Note J):
14. Open to Sophomores (see Note U):
15. Skill Codes "W", "Q", or "C" (see Note T):
16. S/U grading (see Note W):

Justification
1. Reasons for adding this course: To provide a separate course number for students doing directed work - generally data collection and analysis in language acquisition experiments - for faculty members in Linguistics.
2. Academic Merit (see Note L):
3. Overlapping Courses (see Note M): None
4. Number of Students Expected:
5. Number and Size of Section:
6. Effects on Other Departments (see Note N): None
7. Effects on Regional Campuses: None
8. Staffing (see Note P):
9. Dates approved by (see Note Q):
   Department Curriculum Committee:
   Department Faculty:
10. Name, Phone Number, and e-mail address of principal contact person:
    Jon Gajewski, 6-1584, jon.gajewski@uconn.edu
2009 – 6 Proposal to Add MCB 5490 [revised submission]
1. Date: January 15, 2009
2. Department requesting this course: Molecular and Cell Biology
3. Semester and year in which course will be first offered: Summer 2009

Final catalog Listing:
MCB 5490. Industrial Insights
2 credits. Lecture. With change of content, may be repeated for credit. Open only with consent of instructor.
Instruction in the research, development, regulation, intellectual property protection, and production of commercial services and products from the vantage point of genomics-related industries. Taught as a series of specialized courses with each focused on a different topic related to the genomics, biotechnology, and pharmaceutical industries.

Justification
1. Reasons for adding this course: The content covered in the proposed course has been developed within the Department of Molecular & Cell Biology, in partnership with the Connecticut Business and Industry Association and various state biotechnology/genomics industries, as part of the requirements for CLAS' Professional Science Master's (PSM) programs. It is new content, does not overlap with existing courses, and several have been offered as pilot courses under special topics. Formal training in industrial aspects is a requirement for national PSM certification.

2. Academic Merit: Developed for and supported by the PSM programs, excess seating capacity will also be open to other graduate students at the University. A modular format with sections is desirable since two (or at most 3) sections will be offered in any one year, on a rotational basis. Sections 01, 02, and 03 have been offered previously; sections 04 and 05 are planned for initial offerings in the next two years – curricular materials and text books for 05 and 06 are available (At the Helm – A Laboratory Navigator, CSH Press; Industry Immersion Learning – Real Life Industry Case-Studies in Biotechnology and Business, Wiley-Blackwell). Section 06 provides an opportunity to include emerging topics. Instruction in all of these specialized courses includes majority participation by scientists and specialists from the private sector, providing our students with a vantage point they would otherwise not have, and an advantage in hiring. Sections do not meet simultaneously. There is no requirement for students to take any specific number or sequence of sections. Students may select from topics as suits their plans of study.

3. Overlapping Courses: None
4. Number of Students (Different Participants) Expected: Typically, 30-40 students per year
5. Number and Size of Section: Each two credit section will be limited to 20 students. Sections follow:
   01 Insights into the Biotechnology and Genomics Industries
   02 Quality Assurance in Pharmaceutical and Biotechnology Manufacturing
   03 Regulatory Issues
   04 Laboratory Management
   05 Industry Immersion Learning
   06 Special Topics

6. Effects on Other Departments: None
7. Staffing: Course oversight will be provided by faculty/staff associated with the Professional Science Masters Program. Lectures will be given by a mixture of faculty, adjuncts and guests from industry and government.
8. Dates approved by:
   Department Curriculum Committee:
   Department Faculty:
9. Principal Contact Person: Linda Strausbaugh, 486-8905, and Linda.Strausbaugh@uconn.edu
Sample topic syllabi:

MCB5490-03
Introduction to Regulatory Issues in the Biotechnology & Pharmaceutical Industries
Fall 2007

Dr. Thomas Bush
1. Introduction to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration
2. Drug Review, Development and Post-Market Surveillance
3. Center for Drug Evaluation and Research Report to the Nation
4. Innovation or Stagnation: Negotiating the Critical Path
5. Generic Drugs and the FDA Generic Drug Approval Process I
6. Generic Drugs and the FDA Generic Drug Approval Process II
7. Current Good Manufacturing Practices (cGMP)
8. Guidelines for the Monitoring of Clinical Investigations and the Role of the Clinical Monitor
9. Direct-to-Consumer Marketing of Pharmaceuticals
10. Drug Withdrawal: Drug-Induced Hepatotoxicity as an Example
11. A Regulatory Perspective on Pharmacogenomics and Pharmacogenetics
12. The Promise of Personalized Medicine
13. Regulation of Direct-to-Consumer Genetic Testing

TEXT: available at the Co-op, Meeting date and time TBA (one evening for 2 hours)

Drugs from Discovery to Approval
Rick Ng, A.

MCB 5490-01
INSIGHTS INTO THE BIOTECHNOLOGY & GENOMICS INDUSTRY

1. Introduction, Course Overview, Discussion
   a. PPM, Presentation
   b. Selecting a product
   c. Talking the Talk
   d. Spinology
   e. Snipits
2. Getting Started
   a. The puff play
   b. Virtual companies
3. The Formula for a successful start up vs What a VC looks for.
   a. Management
   b. Markets
   c. Technology
   d. Exit
4. Balancing the risk with probability of success
   a. Backup Ideas
   b. Keeping your eye on the light
5. Types of Markets and their requirements
   a. Research
   b. Medical Devices
   c. Services
6. Intellectual properties (IP)
   a. Is it important
   b. How much do you need
   c. Protecting It and playing the game
7. Corporate Structure and Finances
   a. Share holders
   b. Different Corporate structures
   c. Use of proceeds
   d. The race: Run out of money or make money
8. Funding Sources. Pros and Cons
   a. Venture Capital
   b. Angels
   c. Government
   d. Corporate deals
9. Case study
   a. Research Markets
10. Case Study
    a. Medical Devices
Though we have a syllabus, the course will be dynamic in its class to class content. This is to accommodate invited speakers. We hope to have a good mix of speakers. These speakers will present their real life experiences while discussing where they fit into the value chain. Depending on the size of the class the last 2 or 3 days will be set aside for the fundraising presentation. The presenters will hit the imaginary road to see if they can soft circle their first round of money and make payroll.

The class grade will be based on participation (20%), a mini PPM preparation (30%), and an oral presentation with powerpoint slides (50%).
Proposal to Add PSYC XXXX
1. Date: February 16, 2009
2. Department requesting this course: Psychology
3. Semester and year in which course will be first offered: Fall, 2010

Final Catalog listing
PSYC 3XXX. Laboratory in Health Psychology
Either semester. Three credits. Prerequisite: PSYC 3105
Introduction to experimental design and research methods in health psychology. Includes a class research project.

Items included in catalog Listing:
Obligatory Items
1. Standard abbreviation for Department or Program (see Note O): PSYC
2. Course Number (see Note B): 3xxx
If using a specific number (e.g. “254” instead of “2XX”), have you checked with the Registrar that this number is available for use? __ Yes __ NA
3. Course Title: Laboratory in Health Psychology
4. Semester offered (see Note C): Either.
5. Number of Credits (see Note D): 3
6. Course description (second paragraph of catalog entry -- see Note K):

Optional Items
7. Number of Class Periods, if not standard (see Note E): Two hours lecture, two hours lab activity.
8. Prerequisites, if applicable (see Note F): PSYC 3105
9. Recommended Preparation, if applicable (see Note G): N/A
10. Consent of Instructor, if applicable (see Note T): N/A
11. Exclusions, if applicable (see Note H): None
12. Repetition for credit, if applicable (see Note I): No
13. Instructor(s) names if they will appear in catalog copy: N/A
14. Open to Sophomores (see Note U): No
15. Skill Codes "W", "Q", or "C" (see Note T): N/A
16. S/U grading (see Note W): N/A

Justification
1. Reasons for adding this course: (see Note L) This course is necessary to provide a more advanced course in health psychology to those who have taken the introductory-level health psychology course and desire in-depth exposure to the field with a particular focus on research.

2. Academic Merit (see Note L): Health psychology is a fast-growing and important subdiscipline within psychology. This course will allow students to learn more about the various approaches to research in health psychology, including various types of designs and methods. Students will also get hands-on experiences in designing, conducting, and reporting empirical research.

3. Overlapping Courses (see Note M): None.
4. Number of Students Expected: 20
5. Number and Size of Section: 1/year
6. Effects on Other Departments (see Note N): None
7. Effects on Regional Campuses: None
8. Staffing (see Note P): Park
9. Dates approved by (see Note Q):
   Department Curriculum Committee: 10/31/2008
   Department Faculty:
10. Name, Phone Number, and e-mail address of principal contact person: Crystal Park, Department of Psychology, Box 1020, Storrs. 486-3520, Crysdara@aol.com
2009 – 12 Proposal to Add Geography as a B. S. Discipline Option [Pending review by the Committee’s B.S. sub-committee]

1. Date: 02/04/09
2. Department requesting this change: Geography
3. Title of Major: Geography
4. Nature of Change: Add Geography to the disciplines included in B. S. degree program

5. Existing catalog Description of the Major:
Geography is a multidimensional discipline that analyzes the interactions between people and their environments. Our geographers teach courses and engage in research on a wide range of relevant and timely topics such as urban sprawl, the nature and impact of migration, globalization of the economy and international trade, the spatial prevalence of disease, regional development, global climatic change, environmental degradation and restoration, watershed and landscape change, and the analysis and display of spatial data using geographic information systems (GIS) technology.

For students whose goals are the bachelor’s degree, coursework in geography enables graduates to find employment in the private and public sectors while providing both the regional and global perspective required of informed citizens. Our students have gone on to work as urban and regional planners, marketing specialists, environmental program managers, geographic information systems specialists, location analysts, and transportation planners. Students with a B.A. degree in geography are also prepared to move on to graduate school to pursue M.A. and Ph.D. degrees which enables them to teach at the college level or to secure higher ranking positions in the public and private sectors

Requirements for the Major. The geography major requires 24 credits in 2000-level or above geography courses and 12 credits of related course work in other departments. Majors complete a basic core of 3 courses: GEOG 2100, 2300, and one methods course (choice of GEOG 2510, 3110, 3300, 3500Q, 3510, 4500), and 15 additional credits, including at least one “W” course in geography in consultation with their departmental advisor.

The writing in the major requirement for Geography can be met by passing any of the following geography courses: GEOG 3320W, 3330W, 4110W, or 4200W

The information literacy requirement in Geography can be met by passing any of the following geography courses GEOG 3320W, 3330W, 4110W, or 4200W

The computer technology exit requirement in Geography can be met by passing one of the following courses: GEOG 2510, 3300, 3500Q, 3510, or 4500

A minor in Geographic Information Science is described in the Minors section.

6. Proposed catalog Description of the Major:

Geography is a multidimensional discipline that analyzes the interactions between people and their environments. Our geographers teach courses and engage in research on a wide range of relevant and timely topics such as urban sprawl, the nature and impact of migration, globalization of the economy and international trade, the spatial prevalence of disease, regional development, global climatic change, environmental degradation and restoration, watershed and landscape change, and the analysis and display of spatial data using geographic information systems (GIS) technology.

For students whose goals are the bachelor's degree, coursework in geography enables graduates to find employment in the private and public sectors while providing both the regional and global perspective required of informed citizens. B.A. students have gone on to work as urban and regional planners, marketing specialists, environmental program managers, location analysts, and transportation planners. The B.S. degree prepares students to pursue a technologically oriented career as geographic information systems specialists. Students with an undergraduate degree in geography are also prepared to move on to graduate school to pursue M.A. and Ph.D. degrees which enables them to teach at the college level or to secure higher ranking positions in the public and private sectors

Bachelor of Arts. The B.A. degree requires 24 credits in 2000-level or above geography courses and 12 credits of related course work in other departments. B.A. majors must complete a basic core of 3 courses: GEOG 2100, 2300, and one methods course (choice of GEOG 2510, 3300, 3500Q, 3510, 4500), and 15 additional credits, including at least one “W” course in geography in consultation with their departmental advisor.
Bachelor of Science. The B.S. degree requires 30 credits in 2000-level or above geography courses and 12 credits of related coursework in other departments. B.S. majors must complete a basic core of 6 courses: GEOG 2100, 2300, 3500Q, 3510, 4500, 4510, and one methods course (choice of GEOG 2510, 3300, 3505, 4520) and 6 additional credits, including at least one “W” course in geography in consultation with their departmental advisor. The writing in the major requirement for Geography can be met by passing any of the following geography courses: GEOG 3320W, 3330W, 4110W, or 4200W. The information literacy requirement in Geography can be met by passing any of the following geography courses GEOG 3320W, 3330W, 4110W, or 4200W. The computer technology exit requirement in Geography can be met by passing one of the following courses: GEOG 2510, 3300, 3500Q, 3510, or 4500. A minor in Geographic Information Science is described in the Minors section.

7. Effective Date: Fall 2009

Justification

1. Why is a change required? The proposed B.S. degree focuses on the methods and techniques of geographic information science and technology (GIST). Within the field of GIST, there are three main foci of study beyond the basic principles (GEOG 4500): 1) proper understanding of the statistical analysis of geographic data (GEOG 3500Q), 2) proper methods for the visualization of geographic data (GEOG 2510, GEOG 3500), and 3) proper use of GIST in a normative decision-making environment (GEOG 3110, GEOG 4510C). By taking this degree, including courses with a spatial focus in other departments as related courses, students can effectively prepare themselves for technical careers in spatial analysis in the federal government (e.g., Defense Mapping Agency, National Atmospheric and Oceanic Administration), and private firms.

2. What is the impact on students? It will increase the range of job opportunities for students after graduation.

3. What is the impact on regional campuses? It would have no adverse impact.

4. Dates approved by:
   Department Curriculum Committee: 01/27/09
   Department Faculty: 02/04/09

5. Name, Phone Number, and e-mail address of principal contact person:
   Robert Cromley, x-2059, robert.cromley@uconn.edu
2009 – 13  Proposal to Add PSYC 32XX  [Consideration pending syllabus]
1. Date: Oct 31, 2008
2. Department requesting this course: Psychology
3. Semester and year in which course will be first offered: Fall 2009

Final catalog Listing:
PSYC 32XX: Sensory Neuroscience Laboratory. Either semester. 3 Credits. Prerequisite: Psyc 2100Q or 2100WQ; and Psyc 3501. Techniques employed in the experimental investigation of sensory neuroscience. Laboratory exercises in psychophysics and assessment of human and animal sensory abilities. Elementary computer programming is used to synthesize and process sound files and analyze psychophysics data.

Items included in catalog Listing:  Obligatory Items
1. Four-letter abbreviation for Department or Program : PSYC
2. Course Number : 32XX
3. Course Title: Sensory Neuroscience Laboratory
4. Semester offered : Either semester
5. Number of Credits : 3
6. Course description (second paragraph of catalog entry):
   Techniques employed in the experimental investigation of sensory neuroscience. Laboratory exercises in psychophysics and assessment of human and animal sensory abilities. Elementary computer programming is used to synthesize and process sound files and analyze psychophysics data.

Optional Items
7. Number of Class Periods, if not standard : not applicable
8. Prerequisites, if applicable : Psyc 2100Q or 2100WQ; and Psyc 3501
9. Recommended Preparation, if applicable: not applicable
10. Exclusions, if applicable : not applicable
11. Repetition for credit, if applicable : not applicable
12. Instructor(s) names if they will appear in catalog copy : none

Justification
1. Reasons for adding this course: A Sensation and Perception laboratory exists however, this course is not a Neuroscience course and there is currently no laboratory in Sensory Neuroscience that would mentor practical aspects on the topic. The proposed course would provide a focus on laboratory methods that would augment the information learned in PSYCH 3501 for specializing in neuroscience, biomedical research and engineering. This course will offer the increasing number of students who are seeking the BS degree in Psychology and the Neuroscience minor additional options for fulfilling the laboratory requirements for these programs. Furthermore, it will be tailored to introduce undergraduates in Psychology, Physiology and Neurobiology and Biomedical Engineering to sensory psychophysical methods.
2. Academic Merit: Sensory Neuroscience is a very broad area of research within psychology, neuroscience, which also has applications for communication science, clinical psychology, biomedical engineering and cognitive neuroscience. This course is intended to provide direct exposure to specific laboratory methods within the broad field of neuroscience, and is designed to have broad appeal to undergraduate students in various areas of psychology, including behavioral neuroscience, clinical psychology, communication sciences, as well as students in related disciplines such physiology, biomedical engineering and neuroscience.
3. Overlapping Courses : None
4. Number of Students Expected: 15
5. Number and Size of Section: 1 section, 15 students
6. Effects on Other Departments: None
7. Effects on Regional Campuses: None
8. Staffing: No new staff is required.
9. Dates approved by: Department Curriculum Committee: __10/31/08__ Department Faculty:

10. Name, Phone Number, and e-mail address of principal contact person: Heather Read heather.read@uconn.edu

11. Use of Animals: The use of animals for this class will be regulated in the same way that other existing laboratory classes in psychology are regulated. Currently, we have two existing laboratory classes that use animals. Each of these classes has an animal care protocol associated with it, which has to be approved by the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC). These protocols must be renewed every year, and re-submitted every three years, in accordance with the IACUC regulations. Dr. Read has added provisions for this laboratory in an approved IACUC animal care protocol currently being used. Any graduate teaching assistants would have to be listed as active by the IACUC in terms of their animal care training status, and these teaching assistants will be listed on the protocol for the class. Also, we disseminate information about animal welfare in class, and we give information to the students about animal care from OARS (the university office of animal research services). In class students receive orientation training instructions for proper animal care and use as provided by IACUC. They are invited to attend the one-day animal care course run by one of the university veterinarians, but the IACUC does not require each student in a class to attend. Thus, the proposed class will follow all the procedures laid out by the university for the care and use of animals for either research or educational purposes. All necessary approvals are currently in place as we are currently teaching this laboratory as a Special Topics course (Fall 2008).
2009 – 14  Change the Neuroscience Minor  [Pending approval of 2009 – 13]
1. Date: Feb 5, 2009
2. Department requesting this change: Psychology
3. Title of Minor: Neuroscience
4. Nature of Change: Add 2 elective courses the minor

5. Existing catalog Description of the Minor:
The requirements for this minor are at least 15 credits of 2000 level courses that are structured in the following manner. Required lecture courses: All students must take both PSYC 2200 Physiological Psychology and PNB 3251 Biology of the Brain. Lab requirement: Students must take at least one of the following: PSYC 3250/3250W Laboratory in Animal Behavior and Learning, PSYC 3251/3251W Laboratory in Physiological Psychology, PSYC 3252 Drugs and Behavior Laboratory, PSYC 32XX Sensory Neuroscience Laboratory, or PNB 3263 WQ Investigations in Neurobiology. Additional courses required to satisfy the 15 credit requirement may include: PSYC 2201, 2500, 3200, 3201, 3250/W, 3251/W, 3252, 3501; PNB 3262, 3263WQ, 3276. Graduate courses in Psychology or PNB may be counted with permission of the neuroscience minor advisor. The additional courses should be selected in consultation with a neuroscience advisor in Psychology or Physiology and Neurobiology, and may include a lab course that was not used to fulfill the lab requirement. Up to 3 credits of independent study (PNB 3299, PSYC 3889, PSYC 3299) may be counted towards the minor with permission of the neuroscience minor advisor. The minor is offered jointly by the Psychology Department and the Physiology and Neurobiology Department.

6. Proposed catalog Description of the Minor:
The requirements for this minor are at least 15 credits of 2000 level courses that are structured in the following manner. Required lecture courses: All students must take both PSYC 2200 Physiological Psychology and PNB 3251 Biology of the Brain. Lab requirement: Students must take at least one of the following: PSYC 3250/3250W Laboratory in Animal Behavior and Learning, PSYC 3251/3251W Laboratory in Physiological Psychology, PSYC 3252 Drugs and Behavior Laboratory, PSYC 32XX Sensory Neuroscience Laboratory, or PNB 3263 WQ Investigations in Neurobiology. Additional courses required to satisfy the 15 credit requirement may include: PSYC 2201, 2500, 3200, 3201, 3250/W, 3251/W, 3252, 32XX, 3501; PNB 3262, 3263WQ, 3276, 4400. Graduate courses in Psychology or PNB may be counted with permission of the neuroscience minor advisor. The additional courses should be selected in consultation with a neuroscience advisor in Psychology or Physiology and Neurobiology, and may include a lab course that was not used to fulfill the lab requirement. Up to 3 credits of independent study (PNB 3299, PSYC 3889, PSYC 3299) may be counted towards the minor with permission of the neuroscience minor advisor. The minor is offered jointly by the Psychology Department and the Physiology and Neurobiology Department.
7. Effective Date immediate

Justification
1. Why is a change required? It will relieve the shortage of lab courses and elective courses within the minor.
2. What is the impact on students? Make it possible for more students to complete the minor
3. What is the impact on regional campuses? N/A
4. Attach a revised "Minor Plan of Study" form to this proposal [below]
5. Dates approved by:
   All four members of the Neuroscience Minor committee have approved BOTH courses to be added February, 2009

[Note on PNB 4400 - Biology of nervous system diseases  Instructors Akiko Nishiyama and Randall Walikonis
Three credits. Prerequisites: PNB 2274 or PNB 2251; and one of MCB 2000, 2210, 2410, or 3010; or consent of instructor. Application of basic biological principles of genetics, molecular and cell biology, and physiology toward an interdisciplinary understanding of the mechanisms of disease and repair processes in the nervous system. Topics include established concepts and areas of current research on chronic neurodegenerative, synaptic, and demyelinating disorders; acute trauma and cerebrovascular disorders; and plasticity and repair.]

2. What is the impact on students? Make it possible for more students to complete the minor
3. What is the impact on regional campuses? N/A
4. Attach a revised "Minor Plan of Study" form to this proposal [below]
5. Dates approved by:
   All four members of the Neuroscience Minor committee have approved BOTH courses to be added February, 2009
6. Name, Phone Number, and e-mail address of principal contact person:
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Minor in Neuroscience Plan of Study

Consult with a Neuroscience Advisor in either Psychology, Physiology and Neurobiology, or both, before completing this plan of study: During the first four weeks of your graduating semester, three copies of your completed plan of study, approved by one of the Neuroscience Advisors, must be submitted as follows: two copies to a Neuroscience Advisor (one will be submitted to Degree Auditing), and one copy for you. Once the final plan of study has been filed with Degree Auditing, changes may be made only with the consent of a Neuroscience advisor.

Name of Student: _______________________________ Student ID:
This plan of study is intended to meet the requirements of the ____________ (year you entered the university) catalog.
Date you expect to complete the degree requirements: ______________

Course Requirements. Not less than 15 credits at the 2000 level, as follows:
1. PSYC 2200 _____ and PNB 3251 _____
2. One of the following laboratory courses:
   PSYC 3252 _____ PSYC 3250/W _____ PSYC 3251/W _____ PSYC 32XX _____
   or PNB 3263WQ _____
3. At least 6 additional credits from the following:
   PSYC 3200 _____ PNB 3262 _____
   PSYC 2500 _____ PNB 3263WQ _____ (if not used for lab requirement)
   PSYC 3201 _____ PNB 3276 _____
   PSYC 3501 _____ PNB 4400 _____
   PSYC 2201 _____
   PSYC 3252 _____ (if not used for lab requirement)
   PSYC 3250/W _____ (if not used for lab requirement)
   PSYC 3251/W _____ (if not used for lab requirement)
   PSYC 32XX _____ (if not used for lab requirement)
   PSYC 3889 or PSYC 3899 or PNB 3299 _____ (up to 3 credits may count towards minor with permission of the Neuroscience Minor Advisor).

Graduate Courses ______________ (with permission of the Neuroscience Minor Advisor)
I approve the above program for the (B.A. or B.S.) Minor in
Neuroscience: _________________________________
   (Neuroscience Minor Advisor) (Date)
2. New Departmental Proposals

2009 – 20 Proposal to Add COMM 4XXX/PRLS 4XXX
1. Date: 12/08
2. Department requesting this course: COMM, PRLS
3. Semester and year in which course will be first offered: Fall 2009

Final catalog Listing
COMM 4XXX. Soap Opera/Telenovela
Either semester. Three credits. Prerequisite: open to juniors or higher.
Recommended preparation: COMM 1000, COMM 3300. Rios
Socio-cultural functions of soap operas/telenovelas as mediated serials constructed by commercial
organizations and consumed by United States and global audiences.

Items included in catalog Listing:
Obligatory Items
1. Standard abbreviation for Department or Program (see Note O): COMM
2. Course Number (see Note B): 4470 [THIS IS AVAILABLE]
If requesting a specific number (e.g. “254” instead of “2XX”), have you verified with the Registrar that this
number is available for use? X Yes ____ No
3. Course Title: Soap Opera - Telenovela
4. Semester offered (see Note C): Either
5. Number of Credits (see Note D): Three
6. Course description (second paragraph of catalog entry -- see Note K):

Optional Items
7. Number of Class Periods, if not standard (see Note E): Standard
8. Prerequisites, if applicable (see Note F): none
9. Recommended Preparation, if applicable (see Note G): COMM 1000, COMM 3300
10. Consent of Instructor, if applicable (see Note T) NA
11. Exclusions, if applicable (see Note H): N/A
12. Repetition for credit, if applicable (see Note I): N/A
13. Instructor(s) names if they will appear in catalog copy (see Note J): Rios
14. Open to Sophomores (see Note U): No
15. Skill Codes “W”, “Q”, or “C” (see Note T): N/A
16. S/U grading (see Note W): N/A

Justification

1. Reasons for adding this course:
The course has been successfully offered as PRLS 298/COMM 298.
This upper level course will be available for COMM majors fulfilling theory major requirements.
The course is needed as part of the offerings of the growing PRLS minor.
The focused material cannot be accommodated in a more general course such as COMM/PRLS Media
and Special Audiences.

2. Academic Merit
Regarding academic merit, this course presents theoretical and historical material about the development
and impact of mass disseminated melodramas. The readings also wrestle with why soaps and other
serials have continued to be so successful. Soap operas-Telenovelas can be appreciated as a
melodramatic form as they function for mass entertainment. However informed critique regarding content
and negative consequences of viewing is very important. For example, soap opera or telenovela content
may support unrealistic expectations in close relationships among viewers. This programming genre also
presents simplistic archetypes of women, racial/ethnic, and sexual minorities. Social, political and economic problems are also minimized or nonexistent in soap-telenovela content though these problems exist in real life.

It is a goal of the course that the student becomes a more discerning media consumer and/or responsible media creator, keeping in mind social, cultural, economic, political influences of mass media.

This course will be part of the upper level course offerings for the growing PRLS minor. This course will also be part of the upper level “theory” course offerings for the high demand Communication major. This course is rigorous, interesting, and treats persistent and contemporary issues related to mass media.

3. Overlapping Courses (see Note M):
This course will be cross-listed with PRLS XXXX (use same # as COMM).

4. Number of Students Expected: 40

5. Number and Size of Section: each section to contain 20

6. Effects on Other Departments (see Note N): Institute for Puerto Rican and Latino Studies, PRLS
This course will be cross-listed with PRLS XXXX (use same # as COMM).

7. Effects on Regional Campuses: N/A

8. Staffing (see Note P): Prof. Diana Rios

9. Dates approved by (see Note Q):
   Department Curriculum Committee: COMM Undergraduate Committee 11/06/08
   Department Faculty: COMM Faculty: 12/2/08
   Puerto Rican Latino Studies Faculty: 12/2/08

10. Name, Phone Number, and e-mail address of principal contact person: Diana Rios
    Diana.rios@uconn.edu

SYLLABUS--Updated Nov. 19, 2008
PRLS/COMM 4470 [proposed perm #]
Soap Opera-Telenovela
Dr. Diana Rios; Diana.Rios@uconn.edu; 860-486-3187
PCSB Office Hours: x and by appointment

Class Goals & Objectives:
We will examine the socio-cultural, and other functions of soap operas, “telenovelas” and other melodramatic creations. What we call soaps are mediated serials that are constructed by commercial organizations and consumed by audiences in the U.S. and around the globe. These dramas have witnessed wide-ranging success in their countries of origin such as in the U.S., Mexico, and Brazil, and have gained important export value to countries such as Germany and Russia, and France, England.

We will explore, question and discuss why soaps and other serials have continued to be so successful in fulfilling audience personal and social needs and expectations. We will appreciate the melodramatic form as it functions for mass entertainment. However we will also critique the unrealistic content and acknowledge the negative social impact of melodramas on various segments of a society. The student should become a more discerning media consumer and/or responsible media creator, keeping in mind potential social, cultural, economic, political influences of mass media.

Class Format:
The course consists of lecture, class experiential learning, and informed class discussion based on course materials. The course will make use of topical texts, articles, in-class visuals, out of class visual exposure (watching television or film individually or in groups). Grading will be based on completed, quality work, in-class discussion-participation, a midterm and final. The examinations will consist of subjective and objective sections. Students are urged to take copious notes. If you do not take notes, there is no way you can do well in this class.

Class Policies:
Preparation: This is not solely a lecture class where you sit back and just listen. Lectures will be balanced with activities to be completed in or out of the classroom. Students will be prepared for discussion that draws squarely from the readings and from other pertinent materials needed for successful participation. Extraneous commentary used to cover-up for not reading is obvious and will not count.

Participation: Students will be civil, expressing points or counter-points in a collegial and professional manner. Disruptive behavior will be reported to the Dean and related offices immediately.

Attendance: Signing an attendance sheet for someone else under any circumstances is cheating. Students are expected to have excellent attendance. Those with excessive absences will fail the course.

Assignments: Assignments will meet due date. Assignments will be well crafted in upper division quality. Students are responsible for obtaining missed notes and info for assignments.
Cheating/Plagiarism: Cheating on assignments, exams, etc. can result in a failing grade in the course and the incident will go into your files at the department and college levels. Students are expected to know and understand the University’s Code of Conduct.

Required Texts

- Articles retrieved through WebCT
- Usage of WebCT and Email
- Other materials TBA
- Selective TV and other media exposure

EXCELLENT ATTENDANCE

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Schedule

**Course Introduction**

- Introductions, Course Overview, Effects, Roles and Functions of Melodrama
  - To be Continued, Intro and Ch.1

**Module One: Soap Opera and Similar Forms**

- Soap Opera and Similar Forms

- To be Continued, Ch.9, 10

**Module Two: Telenovelas and Soaps**

- Telenovelas and Soaps

- Telenovelas and Soaps

- REVIEW
# MIDTERM EXAM

## Module Three: Contemporary Serialized Sexuality

### Sexuality

**Reading:**
- *Videos, Film: Sex and the City*

**Guest: mental health and relationships**

**Reading:**

**Guest: self esteem and body image**


**Guest: responsible sexuality**

### Presentations, Critique of Melodrama

**Presentations, Critique of Melodrama**

**FINAL EXAMINATION**
2009 – 21 Proposal to Change the Italian Literary and Cultural Studies Major (Cultural Studies)

1. Date: January 31, 2009
2. Department requesting this change: Modern and Classical Languages
3. Title of Major: Italian Literary and Cultural Studies (Cultural Studies track)
4. Nature of Change: increase flexibility in course selection

5. Existing catalog Description of the Major:
Concentration in Italian Cultural Studies
Students must complete a minimum of 8 courses (the equivalent of 24 credits) from the following:
A. Three 2000 level or above Italian courses from the following: ILCS 3237, 3239, 3240, 3243, 3244, 3250, 3253, 3254, 3255W, 3256, 3258/3258W, 3259, 3260W, 3261, 3262, 3270, 4279
B. Two courses from the following: HIST 3325, 3370, 3463, 4994W
C. Three courses to be chosen from the following: ARTH 3030, 3320, 3340, or MUSI 3413, 3421W; or ENGL 3218W
Students must demonstrate proficiency in Italian at a level equivalent to ILCS 1147.

Study Abroad in Italy: Students can participate in a variety of UCONN-sponsored Study Abroad Programs and also have the option of enrolling in non-sponsored programs. In either case, students should consult with the ILCS faculty to determine which courses will receive credits. Students who enroll in study abroad programs not sponsored by UCONN do not necessarily receive UCONN credits for their coursework. No more than 12 credits taken in any Study Abroad Program may count towards a major in Italian at this University.
To satisfy the information literary competency, all students must take ILCS 3255W, or 3258W, or 3260W.
To satisfy the writing in the major requirement, all students must take ILCS 3255W, or 3258W, or 3260W.

6. Proposed catalog Description of the Major:
Concentration in Italian Cultural Studies.
Students must complete a minimum of 8 courses (the equivalent of 24 credits):
A. Four 2000 level or above Italian courses from the following: ILCS 3237, 3239, 3240, 3243, 3244, 3250, 3253, 3254, 3255W, 3256, 3258/3258W, 3259, 3260W, 3261, 3262, 3270, 4279
B. Four courses from the following: HIST 3325, 3370, 3463, 4994W; ARTH 3030, 3320, 3340, or MUSI 3413, 3421W; [or ENGL 3218W]
Students must demonstrate proficiency in Italian at a level equivalent to ILCS 147.

Study Abroad in Italy: Students can participate in a variety of UCONN-sponsored Study Abroad Programs and also have the option of enrolling in non-sponsored programs. In either case, students should consult with the ILCS faculty to determine which courses will receive credits. Students who enroll in study abroad programs not sponsored by UCONN do not necessarily receive UCONN credits for their coursework. No more than 12 credits taken in any Study Abroad Program may count towards a major in Italian at this University.
To satisfy the information literary competency, all students must take ILCS 3255W, or 3258W, or 3260W.
To satisfy the writing in the major requirement, all students must take ILCS 3255W, or 3258W, or 3260W.

7. Effective Date: Immediately

Justification
1. Why is a change required? The current plan of study for the major in Italian Literary and Cultural Studies (Cultural Studies track) is highly structured, requiring students to complete a fixed number of courses selected from several distinct categories. As a result of the rescission, the yearly availability of a broad offering of courses for ILCS majors can no longer be guaranteed. Therefore, a revision in the plan of study is hereby requested.

2. What is the impact on students? None. They will benefit from added flexibility
3. What is the impact on regional campuses? None.
4. Dates approved by: Department Curriculum Committee: Department Faculty: February 30, 2009
5. Name, Phone Number, and e-mail address of principal contact person:
Norma Bouchard Norma.Bouchard@uconn.edu 486-3313
Students must complete a minimum of 8 courses (the equivalent of 24 credits) from the following:

A. Four 2000-level or above Italian courses to be chosen among the following:
   ILCS 3237
   ILCS 3239
   ILCS 3240
   ILCS 3243
   ILCS 3244
   ILCS 3250
   ILCS 3253
   ILCS 3254
   ILCS 3255W
   ILCS 3256
   ILCS 3258/3258W
   ILCS 3259
   ILCS 3260W
   ILCS 3261
   ILCS 3262
   ILCS 3270
   ILCS 4279

B. Four courses to be chosen among the following:
   HIST 3325
   HIS 3370
   HIS 3463
   HIS 4994W
   ARTH 3030
   ARTH 3320
   ARTH 3340
   MUSI 3413
   MUSI 3421W
   [ENGL 3218W]

D. Four related courses
   __________________________
   __________________________
   __________________________
   __________________________

Students must demonstrate proficiency in Italian at a level equivalent to ILCS 147.

Name of Student (please print): ______________________ Student ID ____________

I approve the above program for the B.A. Major in Italian Literary Studies

(signed) __________________________ Date ____________________

(Italian Literary Studies and Cultural Studies Major Advisor)
Proposal to Change the Italian Cultural Studies Minor

1. Date: March 14, 2009
2. Department requesting this change: MCL (ILCS)
3. Title of Minor: **Minor in Italian Cultural Studies**
4. Nature of Change: **to increase flexibility in course selection**
5. Existing catalog Description of the Minor:
   Students electing this minor must complete 18 credits from the following:
   A. Two courses in Italian Literature and/or Cinema in English: Italian 3255W, 3256, 3258/3258W, 3260W
   B. Two courses in History: HIST 3325, 3370, 3460, 3463, 4994W
   C. One course in Art History: 3030, 3320W, 3340W
   D. One additional 2000-level or above course in Italian Cultural Studies or History. ILCS 3239, 3240, 3270, and 4270 may count for Group D.
   Students must demonstrate proficiency in Italian at a level equivalent to ILCS 1147.
   The minor is offered by the Modern and Classical Languages Department.

6. Proposed catalog Description of the Minor:
   Students electing this minor must complete 18 credits from the following:
   A. Three courses in Italian Literature and/or Cinema in English: Italian 3255W, 3256, 3258/3258W, 3260W. ILCS 3239, 3240, 3270, and 4270 may also count for Group A.
   B. Three courses to be chosen from the following: HIST 3325, 3370, 3460, 3463, 4994W; or Art History 3030, 3320W, 3340W
   Students must demonstrate proficiency in Italian at a level equivalent to ILCS 1147.
   The minor is offered by the Modern and Classical Languages Department.

7. Effective Date: Immediately

**Justification**

1. Why is a change required? The current plan of study for a **minor in ILCS-- Cultural Studies Track**-- is highly structured, requiring students to complete a fixed number of courses selected from several distinct categories. As a result of the rescission, the yearly availability of a broad offering of courses for ILCS minors can no longer be guaranteed. Therefore, a revision in the plan of study is hereby requested.

2. What is the impact on students? None
3. What is the impact on regional campuses? None
4. Attach a revised "Minor Plan of Study" form to this proposal: **see below**

5. Dates approved by:
   Department Curriculum Committee: February 30, 2009
   Department Faculty:

6. Name, Phone Number, and e-mail address of principal contact person:
   Norma Bouchard
   Norma.bouchard@uconn.edu
   486-3313
NOTE: Completion of a minor requires that a student earn a C (2.0) or better in each of the required courses for that minor. A maximum of 3 credits towards the minor may be transfer credits of courses equivalent to University of Connecticut courses. Substitutions are not possible for required courses in a minor.

Students electing this minor must complete 18 credits from the following:

A. Three courses in Italian Literature and/or Cinema in English to be chosen among the following:
   - ILCS 3255W
   - ILCS 3256
   - ILCS 3258/3258W
   - ILCS 3260W
   - ILCS 3239
   - ILCS 3240
   - ILCS 3270
   - ILCS 4270

B. Three courses to be chosen from the following:
   - HIST 3325
   - HIST 3370
   - HIST 3460
   - HIST 3463
   - HIST 4994W
   - ARTH 3030
   - ARTH 3320W
   - ARTH 3340W

Name of Student (please print):____________________ __ Student ID________________

I approve the above program for them Minor in Italian Cultural Studies

(signed)__________________________                                      Date_____________________

(Italian Literary Studies and Cultural Studies Minor Advisor)
2009 – 23 Proposal to Change the Italian Cultural Studies Minor
1. Date: March 14, 2009
2. Department requesting this change: MCL (ILCS)
3. Title of Minor: Minor in Italian Literary Studies
4. Nature of Change: to increase flexibility in course selection

5. Existing catalog Description of the Minor:
This minor requires the completion of 18 credits in 2000-level or above courses. All of the courses listed below require ILCS 1145, 1146, 1147, 1148, or the equivalent, as prerequisites, but these language courses do not count towards the minor. The following are the courses required for completion:
A. One course in composition and conversation: ILCS 3239 and 3240
B. Both of the following: ILCS 3243 and 3244
C. Two courses form the following: ILCS 3250, 3253, 3254, 3259, 3261, 3262
D. One course from the following: ILCS 3237, 3270, 4279
The minor is offered by the Modern and Classical Languages Department.

6. Proposed catalog Description of the Minor:
This minor requires the completion of 18 credits in 2000-level or above courses. All of the courses listed below require ILCS 1145, 1146, 1147, 1148, or the equivalent, as prerequisites, but these language courses do not count towards the minor.
Students must complete a minimum of 6 courses (the equivalent of 18 credits) to be chosen among the following: ILCS 3237, 3239, 3240, 3243, 3244, 3250, 3253, 3254, 3259, 3261, 3262, 3270, 4279
The minor is offered by the Modern and Classical Languages Department.

7. Effective Date: Immediately

Justification
1. Why is a change required? The current plan of study for the minor in Italian Literary Studies is highly structured, requiring students to complete a fixed number of courses selected from several distinct categories. As a result of the rescission, the yearly availability of a broad offering of courses for ILCS minors can no longer be guaranteed. Therefore, a revision in the plan of study is hereby requested.
2. What is the impact on students? None
3. What is the impact on regional campuses? None
4. Attach a revised "Minor Plan of Study" form to this proposal: see below

5. Dates approved by:
Department Curriculum Committee: February 30, 2009
Department Faculty:
6. Name, Phone Number, and e-mail address of principal contact person:
Norma Bouchard Norma.bouchard@uconn.edu 486-3313
PLAN OF STUDY

ITALIAN LITERARY AND CULTURAL STUDIES
MINOR IN ITALIAN LITERARY STUDIES

Minor Requirements: Audit Check List (2009-)

NOTE: Completion of a minor requires that a student earn a C (2.0) or better in each of the required courses for that minor. A maximum of 3 credits towards the minor may be transfer credits of courses equivalent to University of Connecticut courses. Substitutions are not possible for required courses in a minor.

Students electing this minor must complete 18 credits to be selected from the following:

ILCS 3237
ILCS 3239
ILCS 3240
ILCS 3243
ILCS 3244
ILCS 3250
ILCS 3253
ILCS 3254
ILCS 3259
ILCS 3261
ILCS 3262
ILCS 3270
ILCS 4279

Name of Student (please print):______________________ Student ID________________

I approve the above program for them Minor in Italian Cultural Studies

(signed)_________________________________________ Date_____________________

(Italian Literary Studies and Cultural Studies Advisor)
2009 – 24 Proposal to Change the Film Studies Minor [items for review in bold] Revision
1. Date: 02/04/09
2. Department requesting this change: MCL
3. Title of Minor: Film Studies
4. Nature of Change:
   A. Addition of CLCS 3XXX: “Global Indigenous Film” in the Group B: ‘National Cinemas’ section of the minor.
   B. Addition of CLCS 3888: “Special Topics” [Variable topics] in each of the three sections of the minor.

5. Existing catalog Description of the Minor:
Students electing this minor must take two courses from each of the following three Distribution Groups:
Two courses in Core Film Studies: CLCS 2214; 3207; 3208; DRAM 4152.
Two courses in national cinemas: DRAM 4151; GERM 3261W (taught in German); 3264W (taught in English); FREN 3223 (taught in either English or French); 3226 (taught in English); ILCS 3260W (taught in English); SPAN 3250 (taught in English); 3251 (taught in either English or Spanish); 3252 (taught in Spanish); 3254 (taught in English).
Two interdisciplinary courses: AASI/ENGL 3212; CLCS 3201; CAMS 3245; WS 3217/ENGL 3623; POLS 3426; ENGL 3621; LAMS 3575; SOCI 3703/W; ILCS 3258/W; COMM/PRLS 4320.
This interdisciplinary minor is offered by the Department of Modern and Classical Languages. For more information contact Norma Bouchard by e-mail at Norma.Bouchard@Uconn.edu or by phone at (860) 486-3292.

6. Proposed catalog Description of the Minor:
Students electing this minor must take two courses from each of the following three Distribution Groups:
Two courses in Core Film Studies: CLCS 2214; 3207; 3208; 3888*; DRAM 4152.
Two courses in national cinemas: CLCS 3XXX; 3888*; DRAM 4151; FREN 3223 (taught in either English or French); 3226 (taught in English); GERM 3261W (taught in German); 3264W (taught in English); ILCS 3259 (taught in either English or Italian); ILCS 3260W (taught in English); SPAN 3250 (taught in English); 3251 (taught in either English or Spanish); 3252 (taught in Spanish); 3254 (taught in English).
Two interdisciplinary courses: AASI/ENGL 3212; CLCS 3201; 3888*; CAMS 3245; COMM/PRLS 4320; ENGL 3621; 3623; ILCS 3258/W; LAMS 3575; POLS 3426; SOCI 3703/W; WS 3217.
Courses marked with an asterisk (*) require advisor’s approval. This interdisciplinary minor is offered by the Department of Modern and Classical Languages. For more information contact Norma Bouchard by e-mail at Norma.Bouchard@Uconn.edu or by phone at (860) 486-3292.

7. Effective Date (semester, year -- see Note R):
(Note that changes will be effective immediately unless a specific date is requested.)

Justification
1. Why is a change required?
   A. A new course on Global Indigenous Film (CLCS 3XXX) has been created and approved by CCC and we would like to include it as one of the “National Cinemas” courses in the minor plan of study. Instructor of course agrees.
   B. We would like to include CLCS 3888: “Special Topics” in each of the three categories of the minor so that students can use them towards their Film Studies minor when the specific topic of the course is pertinent to the study of film. In order to use this course for the minor the advisor’s consent is required. In this time of budgetary crisis, this inclusion allows for more flexibility.
   C. ILCS 3259 is a film-related course which, although seldom offered, could and should count towards the Film Studies minor. ILCS agrees with this inclusion.
   D. WS 3217 and ENGL 3623 are not offered together any more [??], although they both still have a strong film-related interdisciplinary focus. For this reason they should now appear as two different courses and not as one cross-listed course, as they used to.
2. What is the impact on students?
They will have a wider variety of courses to choose from.
3. What is the impact on regional campuses?
None.
4. Attach a revised "Minor Plan of Study" form to this proposal (see below).

SEE BELOW

5. Dates approved by (see Note Q):
   Department Curriculum Committee: 2/20/09
   Department Faculty: 2/20/09
6. Name, Phone Number, and e-mail address of principal contact person:
   Gustavo Nanclares, 6-3313, Gustavo.nanclares@uconn.edu

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Minor Requirements - Audit Check List (2009-)

Completion of a minor requires that a student earn a C (2.0) or better in each of the required courses for that minor. A maximum of 3 credits towards the minor may be transfer credits of courses equivalent to University of Connecticut courses. Substitutions are not possible for required courses in a minor.

The Film Studies Minor requires the completion of 18 credits in 2000-level courses or above, with a grade letter of C (2.0) or better. A maximum of 3 credits may be transfer credits. No substitutions are allowed. Students must take two courses from each of the following three Distribution Groups:

**Group A: Core Courses**
- CLCS 2214: "Intro to World Cinema and Comparative Film Theory"
- CLCS 3207: "Film Genres"
- CLCS 3208: "Studies in Film History"
- CLCS 3888: "Special Topics***
- DRAM 4152: "World Film"

**Group B: National Cinemas**
- CLCS 3XXX: "Global Indigenous Cinema"
- CLCS 3888: "Special Topics***
- DRAM 4151: "The American Film"
- FREN 3223: "French Film and Theory"
- FREN 3226: "French and Francophone Cinema"
- GERM 3261W: "German Film and Culture"
- GERM 3264W: "German Cinema in Cross Cultural Perspective"
- ILCS 3259: "Topics in Italian Cinema"
- ILCS 3260W: "Italian Cinema"
- SPAN 3250: "Film in Spain and Latin America"
- SPAN 3251: "Latin American Film"
- SPAN 3252: "Spanish Film"
- SPAN 3254: "Special Topics in Latin American National Cinemas"

**Group C: Interdisciplinary Courses**
- AASI/ENGL 3212: "Asian American Literature"
- CLCS 3201: "Comparative Literary and Cultural Studies"
- CLCS 3888: "Special Topics***
- CAMS 3245: "Ancient World in Cinema"
- COMM/PRLS 4320: "Media and Special Audiences"
- ENGL 3621: "Literature and Other Disciplines"
- ENGL 3623: "Studies in Literature and Culture"
- ILCS 3258/W: "Cinematic Representations of Italian Americans"
- LAMS 3575: "Cinema and Society in Latin America"
- POLS 3426: "Politics, Propaganda, and Cinema"
- SOCI 3703/W: "Modern Africa"
- WS 3217: "Women in Film"

*With advisor’s consent

Name of Student (please print): ___________________________
I approve the above program for the B.A. Minor in Film Studies

(signed)__________________________Department of Modern and Classical Languages
(Film Studies Minor Key Advisor)

(signed)__________________________ or ____________________________
(Major Department Head) (Major Key Advisor)
2009 – 25 Proposal to Change HIST 3422
1. Date: 23 February 2009
2. Department: History
3. Nature of Proposed Change: change of course number only

4. Current Catalog Copy:
**HIST 3422: History of Southern Africa**
Either semester. Three credits. Open to sophomores or higher. Vernal
Survey of Southern African societies with an emphasis on the socio-economic and political structure of indigenous societies, the imposition of colonial rule, gendered experiences of colonialism, colonial economies, the rise of nationalism and post-independence developments.

Proposed catalog copy:
**HIST 3760: History of Southern Africa**
Either semester. Three credits. Open to sophomores or higher. Vernal
Survey of Southern African societies with an emphasis on the socio-economic and political structure of indigenous societies, the imposition of colonial rule, gendered experiences of colonialism, colonial economies, the rise of nationalism and post-independence developments.

6. Effective Date: immediately

**Justification**
1. Reasons for changing this course: the new number, unlike the former, is consistent with History Department’s structure of numbering.
2. Effect on Department’s Curriculum: None.
3. Other Departments Consulted (see Note N): NA
4. Effects on Other Departments: None.
5. Effects on Regional Campuses: None.
6. Staffing: Prof. Fiona Vernal
7. Dates approved by (see Note Q):
   - Department Curriculum Committee: 23 February 2009
   - Department Faculty: 23 February 2009
8. Name, Phone Number, and e-mail address of principal contact person:
   - Kenneth Gouwens 486-3750
   - kenneth.gouwens@uconn.edu
Proposal to offer HIST 3995 “Special Topics” [Race, Gender, Sexuality] Approved by Chair
1. Date of this proposal: 2/16/2009
2. Semester and year 298 will be offered: Fall 2009
3. Department: History

4. Title of course:
HIST 3995 Special Topics: Constructions of Race, Gender, and Sexuality in U.S. History
The development, interconnections, and complexities of race, gender, and sexuality in U.S. history from European conquest to the present. Historical and theoretical foundation and case studies revealing how these categories are produced and contested over time. Particular attention to political, social, economic, and cultural mechanisms of power and resistance.

5. Number of Credits: 3
6. Instructor: Micki McElya
7. Instructor’s position: Assistant Professor
8. Has this topic been offered before? no
9. If so, how many times? (maximum = 3)
10. Short description:
Course examines the development, interconnections, and complexities of race, gender, and sexuality in U.S. history from European conquest to the present. After laying a solid historical and theoretical foundation, we will consider a series of case studies that reveal how these categories are produced and contested over time while paying particular attention to political, social, economic, and cultural mechanisms of power and resistance.

11. Please attach a sample/draft syllabus to first-time proposals. Below.
12. Comments, if comment is called for:
13. Dates approved by (see Note Q):
   Department Curriculum Committee: 23 February 2009
   Department Faculty: 23 February 2009
14. Name, Phone Number, and e-mail address of principal contact person:
Kenneth Gouwens, 6-3750, kenneth.gouwens@uconn.edu

HIST 3995—Special Topics
Constructions of Race, Gender, and Sexuality in U.S. History
Micki McElya
(proposal 2/2009)

Course Description and Expected Outcomes:
This course examines the development, interconnections, and complexities of race, gender, and sexuality in U.S. history from European conquest to the present. After laying a solid historical and theoretical foundation, we will consider a series of case studies that reveal how these categories are produced and contested over time while paying particular attention to political, social, economic, and cultural mechanisms of power, oppression, and resistance. We will analyze a variety of texts and primary sources, including legal and governmental documents, memoir, documentary and feature film, literature, material culture, visual cultures, and historical and theoretical works.

Students in this class will:
• Understand race, gender, and sexuality as components of identity and experience that have multiple histories
• Explore race, gender, and sexuality (along with class, region, and nation) as interdependent categories of identity, experience, and analysis
• Become more conversant with a range of historical and theoretical approaches to the study of race, gender, and sexuality
• Work with a variety of historical documents
• Hone critical reading, verbal expression, and writing skills

Requirements and Class Policies:
Participation: This course is a mixture of lecture and discussion. Your success in it requires thoughtful participation and the completion of all readings and assignments. Each student is expected to attend every class meeting, to be on time, to have read completely and with care all assignments, and to engage actively and intelligently in our discussions.
The assignments are:

- This course has a good deal of **reading**, some of it complex and time consuming. You are expected to complete all of the readings for each day and be prepared to discuss them. Don’t worry if something doesn’t make sense or has you confused—bring your questions and issues to the class for **discussion**—but make sure to always work your way through the readings.

- **Response papers** of no more than two pages that engage the week’s readings and link them to the larger themes of the course in a manner of your choosing will be due most Thursdays in class. Barring extenuating circumstances, late responses will not be accepted after the due date. I expect response papers to reflect a thorough reading of the assignments and thoughtful consideration of ideas, problems, and/or issues they raise in the context of the course as a whole and our discussions. These will be graded on a scale of 1-10, with 10 being the highest possible grade. Over the course of the term, you can drop one response paper grade, meaning you can choose not to do one or I will drop your lowest grade. Response papers will not be due on the days that other written work is to be handed in.

- **Two 5-page Essays** on questions provided at least a week in advance. You will have a choice as to which question you answer. Guidelines will be provided on the question sheet and discussed in greater detail in class. Barring extenuating circumstances, late papers will not be accepted after the due date.

Grades will be calculated in the following manner:

- Participation: 15%
- Response Papers: 35%
- Paper #1: 25%
- Paper #2: 25%

Readings:
The following books are required for the course. All are available for purchase at the Co-op and copies are on reserve at Homer Babbidge Library.


In addition, students are required to read a number of articles, chapters, and documents marked on the syllabus with a (•) that can be found on electronic reserve via HuskyCT. Full citations for these readings appear at the end of the syllabus.

**SCHEDULE OF READINGS AND ASSIGNMENTS**

**HISTORICIZING & THEORIZING RACE, GENDER, AND SEXUALITY IN THE U.S.**

*Week 1:*


*Week 2:*


*Week 3:*


**CASE STUDY #1: NARRATING THE HISTORY OF SEXUALITY IN THE U.S.**

*Week 4:*


**CASE STUDY #2: CONTACT AND COLONIAL FANTASIES**

*Week 5:*

- Selections from John Smith’s *Generall Historie of Virginia* (1624)
- Letter from John Rolfe to Sir Thomas Dale (1614)
- Screening: clips from *Disney’s Pocahontas* (1995) and *The New World* (2005)
CASE STUDY #3: SLAVERY AND ABOLITION
Week 6:
Annette Gordon-Reed, Thomas Jefferson and Sally Hemings: An American Controversy (1998)
• Annette Gordon-Reed, “Introduction” to The Hemingses of Monticello: An American Family (2008)

CASE STUDY #4: RACE, RAPE, AND LYNCHING
Week 7:
Ida B. Wells, Southern Horrors and Other Writings (orig. 1892)

Week 8:
James Goodman, Stories of Scottsboro (1995)
Screening: clips from Scottsboro: An American Tragedy (2001)

CASE STUDY #5: FOREIGN POLICY, EMPIRE, AND THE MILITARY
Week 9:

Week 10:
Screening: Carmen Miranda: Bananas is my Business (1995)

Week 11:

CASE STUDY #6: MARRIAGE
Week 12:

Week 13:
• Siobhan B. Somerville, “Queer Loving,” (2005)

Week 14: Course Wrap
Thinking through the case studies and considering new ones …

Course Bibliography


2009 – 27 Proposal to Add ENGL 3711
1. Date: 03/06/09
2. Department requesting this course: English
3. Semester and year in which course will be first offered: Spring 2010

Final catalog Listing (ENG 3711. Creative Writing for Child and Young Adult Readers. Either semester. Three credits. Open to juniors or higher. Prerequisite: ENGL 1010 or 1011 or 3800. ENGL 1701 recommended. Open only with consent of instructor. Staff. Creative writing for an audience of children and young adults.

Items included in catalog Listing:

Obligatory Items
1. Standard abbreviation for Department or Program (see Note O): ENG
2. Course Number (see Note B): 3711
   If requesting a specific number (e.g. “254” instead of “2XX”), have you verified with the Registrar that this number is available for use? X Yes __ No
3. Course Title: Creative Writing for Child and Young Adult Readers
4. Semester offered (see Note C): Either
5. Number of Credits (see Note D): Three
6. Course description (second paragraph of catalog entry -- see Note K): Creative writing for an audience of children and young adults.

Optional Items
7. Number of Class Periods, if not standard (see Note E):
8. Prerequisites, if applicable (see Note F): ENGL 1010 or 1011 or 3800.
9. Recommended Preparation, if applicable (see Note G): ENGL 1701 recommended.
10. Consent of Instructor, if applicable (see Note T): Open only with consent of instructor.
11. Exclusions, if applicable (see Note H):
12. Repetition for credit, if applicable (see Note I):
13. Instructor(s) names if they will appear in catalog copy (see Note J):
14. Open to Sophomores (see Note U): No
15. Skill Codes “W”, “Q”, or “C” (see Note T):
16. S/U grading (see Note W):

Justification
1. Reasons for adding this course: Course content is not addressed by any other writing course. Students have expressed interest in such a course, which will complement the Department’s other offerings in Children’s Literature.

2. Academic Merit By composing and revising original poetry or prose in a workshop setting, students will gain an in-depth understanding of the craft of writing for children and young adult readers. Course may be used to fulfill requirements of the Creative Writing Concentration.

3. Overlapping Courses This course complements our literature offerings but, because it is focused on creative writing, does not overlap with current offerings. Meanwhile, because the course is focused specifically on writing for an audience of children and young adults, it is distinct from the other creative writing classes.
4. Number of Students Expected: 15
5. Number and Size of Section: 15
6. Effects on Other Departments (see Note N): None
7. Effects on Regional Campuses: This course could be offered at regional campuses as well.
8. Staffing (see Note P): Litman, Smith

9. Dates approved by (see Note Q):
   Department Curriculum Committee: 03/03/09
   Department Faculty: 03/04/09

10. Name, Phone Number, and e-mail address of principal contact person:
    Ellen Litman, 486-2111, Ellen.litman@uconn.edu;
    Katharine Capshaw Smith, 486-4048, capshaw@uconn.edu

Creative Writing for Child and Young Adult Readers
SYLLABUS, FALL 2009; T: 5:00-7:30 p.m.

Picture This by Molly Bang, Little Brown, Boston, MA, 1991.
Additional Handouts will include book reviews, technique exercises, book excerpts for analysis, workshop protocol.


CLASS STRUCTURE: After meeting 1, the class will usually proceed as follows. Part 1, Students will read their assignments aloud (order picked out of a hat; this may take 2 meetings per assignment later in the course with longer texts). Critique of each story—students are encouraged to write comments on their copies (as well as voice them) and return critiqued copies to “author.” Break. Part 2, instruction on next book format.

Meeting 2: Critique of board book texts. Instruction and assignment on concept books.
Meeting 3: Critique of concept books. Instruction and assignment on rhyming verse.
Meeting 4: Critique of verse. Instruction and assignment on picture books.
Meeting 5: Critique of picture books. Instruction on nonfiction picture books.
Meeting 6: Critique of nonfiction picture books. Instruction on readers.
Meeting 7: Critique of readers. Revision workshop on one previous assignment.
Meeting 8: Midterm: Critique of revision. Instruction on magazine nonfiction formats—puzzles, lists, quizzes, matching games.
Meeting 9: Critique of magazine nonfiction. Instruction and assignment on First chapter books.
Meeting 10: Critique of First chapter books. Instruction on fiction ages (Middle Grade vs. Young Adult), narrative techniques and genres, e.g. fantasy (low and high); historical, epistolary, contemporary, etc.
Meeting 11: Critique of First chapter books, continued. Instruction and assignment on outlining and character sketching for a MG or YA novel.
Meeting 12: Critique of outlines and character sketches entire class period. Assignment: First chapter of novel.
Meeting 13: Hand in first 1 chapter. Critique of chapter 1 for every student for entire class period. Review Revision.
Meeting 14: Final Exam Project: Hand in revised chapter 1, chapters 2 & 3, and revised outline. Brief review of marketing packet I’ll give them, with information on agents, cover letters, synopses, editors, etc.

GRADING
Midterm: 20%
Final: 30%
Quality of manuscripts: 30%
Quality of critique/class participation: 20%

OFFICE HOURS: 2 hours prior to class.
Proposal to Add MCB 5429

Date: January 16, 2009

Department requesting this course: Molecular and Cell Biology

Semester and year in which course will be first offered: Summer 2009

Final catalog Listing:
MCB 5429. Theory and Practice of Next Generation Sequence Analysis
2 credits. Lecture/Laboratory. With change of content, may be repeated for credit. Open only with consent of instructor.

Advanced training in experimental design, sample preparation, quality control, high throughput sequence acquisition and analysis of data sets for a variety of genomics applications. Taught as a series of modules with each focused on a different aspect of the practice of next-generation genome analysis.

Justification
1. Reasons for adding this course: Formal training is required for sample preparation and use of the University's new Roche/454 FLX pyrosequencer, purchased on an NSF grant and housed in the Center for Applied Genetics and Technology (CAGT). A training course is part of the conditions of the award and of the cost sharing agreement for this instrument.

2. Academic Merit: More than 40 investigators from multiple departments across the University system have expressed a need for pyrosequencing-based next generation sequence analysis. This course will afford all members of the University community the opportunity to learn about experimental design, to prepare samples and libraries, and to acquire and analyze data. The course will also be a key component of CLAS’ Professional Science Masters programs in genetics & genomics and in microbiology. A modular format is necessary to allow for combinatorial sessions of basic procedures with specific, different application endpoints. Sections 01, 02, and 07 will be scheduled in 2009; the others will be brought on-line as curricular materials/kits become available and are validated in the CAGT, which will furnish course supplies. Sections do not meet simultaneously. Students are not required to take any specific number of sections, but section 8 must be preceded by section 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6 as appropriate. This course is a combination of lecture and laboratory that will meet for 28 hours over 4 days, and will be offered in summer and intersession only.

3. Overlapping Courses: None

4. Number of Students Expected: 24-36 per year

5. Number and Size of Section: Each one credit section will be limited to 12 or fewer students. Sections follow:
   - 01 Introduction to Next Generation Sequencing
   - 02 Genomic DNA and Library Preparation
   - 03 RNA Isolation and cDNA Library Preparation
   - 04 Small RNA Isolation and Library Construction
   - 05 Amplicon Preparation and Multiplex Strategies
   - 06 Paired End Sequencing
   - 07 Emulsion PCR, Sequence Acquisition and Data Analysis
   - 08 Advanced topics in Next Generation Sequencing

6. Effects on Other Departments: None

7. Staffing: Course oversight will be provided by faculty/staff associated with the Center for Applied Genetics and Technology. Instruction will be provided by a mixture of faculty, adjuncts and guests from industry

8. Dates approved by:
   - Department Curriculum Committee:
   - Department Faculty:

9. Principal Contact Person: Rachel O’Neill, 486-6031, and Rachel.Oneill@uconn.edu
Sample syllabi of two modules:

MCB 5429 Next Gen Genome Analysis
Section 02 General Library Preparation

1. Nebulization (sample dilution and fragment purification)
2. Fragment size selection (gel cut method; double SPRI method)
3. DNA sample quality assessment
4. Fragment end polishing
5. Ligation of adaptors
6. Removal of small fragments
7. Library immobilization
8. Fill-in reaction
9. Isolation of single-stranded library
10. Library quality assessment
11. Physical quantitation of library
12. Library primary dilution and storage
13. Determination of library amounts for emPCR amplification (emulsion titration; full sequencing titration)
14. Preparation of working aliquots
Instructional materials:
"General Library Preparation Method Manual"
Roche Life Sciences
2008

MCB 5429 NextGen Genome Analysis
Section 07  emPCR, Sequencing, and Data Analysis

1. Preparation of live and mock amplification mixes
2. DNA library capture
3. Emulsification
4. Amplification (dispensing emulsions in controlled room, reactions in amplicon room)
5. Bead recovery (large volume emulsions or small volume emulsions)
   - emulsion collection and initial wash
   - bead washes and recovery
6. Enrichment of DNA library beads
   - preparation for indirect enrichment
   - preparation of enrichment beads
   - enrichment of DNA-carrying beads
   - collection of enriched DNA beads
7. Annealing of sequencing primers
8. Sequencing on 454 FLX
9. Manipulation of data files
Instructional materials:
"emPCR Method Manual"
Roche Life Sciences
2008
2009 – 29  Proposal to Change MCB 2225W
1. Date: 3/3/09
2. Department: Molecular and Cell Biology
3. Nature of Proposed Change: Change description and remove W status

4. Current Catalog Copy:
   2225W. Advanced Cell Biology Laboratory
   (2225W) Second semester. Four credits. One 1-hour lecture and two 4-hour laboratories. Prerequisite or corequisite: MCB 2210. Prerequisite: ENGL 1010 or 1011 or 3800. Open to honors students. Open to non-honors students with instructor consent.
   Research techniques that investigate processes in live cells including DNA transfection, GFP-fusion protein dynamics, confocal fluorescence microscopy, time-lapse video microscopy, and flow cytometry. Students will pursue independent research projects.

5. Proposed Catalog Copy:
   2225. Cell Biology Laboratory
   (2225) Second semester. Four credits. One 1-hour lecture and two 4-hour laboratories. Prerequisite or corequisite: MCB 2210. Open to honors students. Open to non-honors students with instructor consent.
   A laboratory experience that will prepare students for thesis research. Focus will be on experimental design, data analysis and presentation. Topics include cell culture, DNA transfection, fluorescence and time-lapse microscopy, image processing, and flow cytometry. Students will pursue independent research projects.

6. Effective Date (semester, year -- see Note R): Spring 2010

Justification
1. Reasons for changing this course: The course is aimed primarily at honors students. Since they must write an honors thesis anyway, they do not need another W course. This has had the effect of reducing honors student enrollment. In addition, the description has been changed to try to more accurately reflect the goals of the course and to try to attract students at an earlier point in their careers.
2. Effect on Department's Curriculum: none
3. Other Departments Consulted (see Note N): none
4. Effects on Other Departments: none
5. Effects on Regional Campuses: none
6. Staffing: Dr. David Knecht
7. Dates approved by (see Note Q):
   Department Curriculum Committee: 2/18/09
   Department Faculty: 2/27/09
8. Name, Phone Number, and e-mail address of principal contact person:
   Dr. David Knecht
   486-2200
david.knecht@uconn.edu
2009 – 30 Proposal to offer HDFS 3095 “Special Topics”. Approved by Chair
1. Date of this proposal: March 4, 2009
2. Semester and year 3098 will be offered: Fall 2009, Stamford and Storrs
3. Department: HDFS

4. Title of course: Disabilities: A Lifespan Perspective

This course provides an introduction to disabilities, approaching the topic from a developmental-lifespan, family perspective. Topics include models for understanding disabilities and types of disabilities, coping and adaptation for individuals and families, public policy, and philosophies and systems of education and support.

5. Number of Credits: 3
7. Instructor’s position: Farrell: Assistant Professor, Larrabee: Lecturer
    Both are regular members of the faculty.
8. Has this topic been offered before? No
9. If so, how many times? (maximum = 3)
10. Short description: This course provides an introduction to disabilities, approaching the topic from a developmental-lifespan, family perspective. Topics include models for understanding disabilities and types of disabilities, coping and adaptation for individuals and families, public policy, and philosophies and systems of education and support.
11. Please attach a sample/draft syllabus to first-time proposals.
12. Comments, if comment is called for:
13. Dates approved by (see Note Q):
    Department Curriculum Committee: October 10, 2008.
    Department Faculty: October 10, 2008.
14. Name, Phone Number, and e-mail address of principal contact person:
    Jane Goldman 6-4728, jane.goldman@uconn.edu

Disabilities: A Lifespan Perspective
HDFS 3098 – Special Topics

Course Proposal
Fall 2009
Department of Human Development & Family Studies
Anne F. Farrell
UConn Stamford
Kim Larrabee
UConn Storrs

Description
This course provides an introduction to disabilities, approaching the topic from a developmental-lifespan, family perspective. Topics include models for understanding disabilities and types of disabilities, coping and adaptation for individuals and families, public policy, and philosophies and systems of education and support.

Course Overview
The prevalence of disabilities is changing due to increased lifespan, advances in diagnosis and intervention, and related factors. This course addresses disabilities as a natural aspect of the human experience, and acquaints students with various disabilities that commonly emerge in several developmental periods. Several specific disabilities will be examined within single developmental periods, and each developmental period will involve discussion of cross cutting themes, including: the prevalence, etiology, and features of those disabilities; the impact of disability on families and family members; systems of education and support; and policy and law relating to those systems.

A few disabilities will be examined across through the lifespan, e.g., autism, Down syndrome, and an acquired or degenerative disorder, in addition to the discussion of other disabilities that emerge at various points. Tracing the course of these disabilities across the lifespan (from birth to later life) will bring unique perspective on: adaptation and coping for individuals and families; interventions; and the changing demands on and roles for family members over the life course. Further, students will be introduced to the systems and agencies that individuals and families have to navigate in order to optimize function, resources, and outcomes for individuals with disabilities.

The course is taught from an interdisciplinary perspective and will incorporate the views and experiences of family members of individuals with disabilities and the perspectives of individuals with disabilities. Instructional methods and activities will include informational presentations, class activities and discussions, student presentations, a brief paper and various assessments.
Course objectives:
1. Students will be exposed to current issues, controversies, ethics, and trends in the field of disabilities.
2. Students will examine ways in which the family system copes with having a family member with a disability.
3. Students will explore various ways of understanding disability (medical, social, charity models; civil rights model) and discuss social, emotional, and motivational factors associated with the experience of being labeled or identified as disabled.
4. Students will discuss stereotypes and stigma associated with disabilities.
5. Students will be able to articulate basic concepts of disability including function, impairment, handicap, epidemiology, inclusion, segregation, stigma, and integration.
6. Students will recognize the important role that family members play in the lives of individuals with disabilities and be able to describe some of the stresses and satisfactions that derive from living with disabilities through the lifespan.
7. Students will identify and describe selected disabilities first recognized in early childhood, adolescence, adulthood, and in later life and will discuss critical issues for transition and coping in each phase.
8. Students will be familiar with the history of the disability rights movement and major components of disability policy.

This matrix depicts how cross-cutting themes may be addressed across the lifespan.

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<tr>
<th>Topic</th>
<th>Cross cutting themes and specific disabilities</th>
<th>Policy &amp; law</th>
<th>Education and support</th>
<th>Family and social issues</th>
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<tr>
<td>Early childhood (0-8)</td>
<td>Disabilities: prevalence, etiology, diagnosis, features</td>
<td>IDEA, Parts B &amp; C S-CHP</td>
<td>Family-centered practices; medical home</td>
<td>Coping with diagnosis; Parenting stress</td>
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<td>Middle childhood, adolescence, transition to adulthood (9-21)</td>
<td>Learning disabilities and ADHD; Autism; Down syndrome; Muscular dystrophy/CP?</td>
<td>History of inclusion; IDEA; Medicaid &amp; waiver; FAPE, LRE</td>
<td>Special education; cultural competence</td>
<td>Siblings; parents and transition to independent living; social stigma</td>
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<td>Young adulthood into middle age</td>
<td>Traumatic brain &amp; spinal cord injury; Autism; Down syndrome; Muscular dystrophy/CP?</td>
<td>ADA; Buck v. Bell; guardianship</td>
<td>No Pity &amp; Jerry Lewis; Employment; SSI; Ticket to Work; community living</td>
<td>Adult siblings; reproductive rights</td>
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<td>Aging and end of life issues</td>
<td>Alzheimer’s disease (with and without Down syndrome); physical disabilities; Autism; Down syndrome; Muscular dystrophy/CP?</td>
<td>Housing and disability; universal design</td>
<td>Health disparities; changing epidemiology of disability in later life</td>
<td>Grief reactions among support providers, kin and paid; ethics</td>
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Proposed assignments and assessments:
1. Disability history: Using one of the on-line disability calendars provided, students will investigate (in small groups) a specific period in disability history and will report on it to the class.
2. Brief paper on a selected disability (not covered in class), which will address: description of the disability (typical onset and features), epidemiology (incidence and prevalence), etiology/origin, common treatments, and family issues (focused on a specific developmental period). OR A brief paper responding to depictions of disability in film.
3. Reading reactions (2): to No Pity and one additional reading.
4. Personal perspectives on disability: either a personal reflection on a specific disability topic or controversy or an interview with a person who has a disability (or a family member).
5. View and react to various videos posted on HCT and discussions.
6. Midterm and final exams

Proposed course calendar

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<td>1</td>
<td>Introduction: What is disability? Introduction: Family coping mechanisms</td>
<td>Definitions, models, concepts, images, labels Family Strengths/Resources</td>
<td>Disability as a social construction; Unpacking privilege</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Disability history – an overview: Evolving models &amp; policy</td>
<td>Introduction to: Disability policy Autism; Down syndrome; and muscular dystrophy or CP</td>
<td>Deinstitutionalization (Unforgotten video) Disability history project due</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Early childhood</td>
<td>Premature birth; Autism; Down syndrome; Service systems: 0-3, 3-5, and 5+</td>
<td>Autism video</td>
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<td>Early Childhood</td>
<td>Down syndrome; Muscular dystrophy or CP</td>
<td>March of Dimes; President Roosevelt &amp; Disability</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>Early Childhood</td>
<td>Transition between service systems</td>
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This matrix depicts how cross-cutting themes may be addressed across the lifespan.
Week | Topic | Cross cutting themes and specific disabilities | Readings, assignments, activities, resources
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9 | Midterm |  |  |
10 | Young adulthood into middle age | Meaningful work experiences; SSI | No Pity reaction due
11 | Young adulthood into middle age |  | On a roll
12 | Young adulthood into middle age |  |  |
13 | Aging and end of life issues | Aging & Disability; life expectancy; Health disparities; changing epidemiology |  |
14 | Aging and end of life issues | Housing & universal access |  |
15 | Aging and end of life issues | Ethics, guardianship |  |
16 | Final |  |  |

**Texts/Readings under consideration:**

**Other readings and resources:**
- Unpacking white privilege (parallels to disabled in an able world)
  [http://mmcisaac.faculty.asu.edu/emc598ge/Unpacking.html](http://mmcisaac.faculty.asu.edu/emc598ge/Unpacking.html)
- The disability calendar of the Institute on Disability
- Disability history museum
- Museum of Disability (interactive site that addresses history and includes activities)
  [http://www.museumofdisability.org/home.asp](http://www.museumofdisability.org/home.asp)

**Video:**
- Unforgotten: 25 years after Willowbrook
- Autism: A world apart (video about the lives of families with young children with autism)
- Krazy Kripples – South Park episode
  [http://www.fancast.com/tv/South-Park/62926973266033/Krazy-Kripples/videos](http://www.fancast.com/tv/South-Park/62926973266033/Krazy-Kripples/videos)
- Refrigerator mother (women who were blamed for their children’s autism)
- Christopher Reeve: Hope in Motion (documentary, spinal cord injury, stem cell research)
- Breathing lessons: The life and work of Mark O’Brien (documentary, iron lung, disability advocacy)
- When Billy broke his head (traumatic brain injury)
- On a roll: Family, disability and the American dream (disabled access, advocacy, sexuality)
Proposal to change the French Minor

1. Date: February 9, 2009
2. Department requesting this change: MCL (French)
3. Title of Minor: French
4. Nature of Change: Adding a course to the minor

5. Existing catalog Description of the Minor:
The French minor consists of a minimum of 6 courses (18 semester credit hours) at the 3200 level in French:
- 6 credits from A) Language (3268 or 3269, 3250, 3251, 3257),
- 6 credits from B) French and Francophone Culture (3210, 3211, 3215 or 3216, 3217, 3218, 3224, 3273),
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7. Effective Date  Spring 09

Justification
1. Why is a change required?
The current plan of study for a minor in French does not take into account the present trend toward Women and Gender Studies. Course FREN 3280 redresses this oversight and focuses on the important contribution women writers have made to French and Francophone Literature. The end result is a better balanced minor.

2. What is the impact on students?
The proposed revision allows for greater flexibility in the selection of courses and ensures that students electing this minor are able to finish in 4 years.

3. What is the impact on regional campuses?

4. Attach a revised "Minor Plan of Study" form to this proposal (see below).

5. Dates approved by (see Note Q):
   Department Curriculum Committee:
   Department Faculty:

6. Name, Phone Number, and e-mail address of principal contact person:
   Anne Berthelot
   486-3314
   anne.berthelot@uconn.edu
The French Minor

Completion of a minor requires that a student earn a C (2.0) or better in each of the required courses for that minor. A maximum of 3 credits towards the minor may be transfer credits of courses equivalent to University of Connecticut courses. Substitutions are not possible for required courses in a minor.

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Name of Student: _____________  Student’s e-mail address: __________________

Student’s “ID number”: ____________

I approve the above program for the B.A. Minor in French and Francophone Studies.

(signed) ___________________________  Dept. of Modern & Classical Languages

Minor Advisor