



**ARMSTRONG ATLANTIC
STATE UNIVERSITY**

MEMORANDUM

To: University Curriculum Committee
From: Phyllis Panhorst
Catalog Editor and Committee Secretary
Date: October 9, 2008
Re: Agenda – October 15, 2008

The University Curriculum Committee will meet at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 15 in University Hall 282.

A G E N D A

CALL TO ORDER

Rick McGrath

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 17, 2008

ITEMS

- I. College of Education (no items)
- II. College of Health Professions (no items)

III. College of Liberal Arts

A. Languages, Literature and Philosophy

- 1. **Create the following course:**
ENGL 3350 Introduction to African American Literature
Prerequisite: ENGL 2100

3-0-3

Description: Survey of the rise of African American literature. Broad inquiry into literary and social movements reflecting African American experience from the 18th century to the present.

Rationale: This course expands the department's historical surveys through introducing students to African American literature. The course can provide a useful foundation for 5000-level courses on African American literature. The course speaks to the lack of historical survey courses in LLP focused on race or ethnicity. It can also contribute to the AFAS minor.

CURCAT:

Major Department: Languages, Literature, and Philosophy
Can course be repeated for additional credit? No
Maximum number of Credit Hours: 3
Grading Mode: Normal
Instruction Type: Lecture

2. Create the following course:

ENGL 5355 U/G Black Women Writers **3-0-3**
Undergraduate Prerequisite: ENGL 2100 or permission of department head
Graduate Prerequisite: permission of instructor or department head
Description: Writing by Black women. Topics may include race, class, and gender; history and society; literary and social criticism; political discourse; or black feminist theory. Graduate students required to complete additional papers and readings.

Rationale: This course is needed to address the large field of study devoted to Black Women's experience globally—as reflected in political, artistic/creative, theoretical, and autobiographical literature and rhetoric. The course speaks not only to longstanding national curricular trends in Black Women's Studies, but also to the AASU student body demographic. Course will be included in GWST and AFAS as well. Course has cultural currency and relevancy. Graduate students enrolled in the course will be required to complete a longer research essay showing understanding of a theoretical approach discussed in class. Graduate students will lead a class discussion related to class readings.

CURCAT:

Major Department: Languages, Literature, and Philosophy
Can course be repeated for additional credit? No
Maximum number of Credit Hours: 3
Grading Mode: Normal
Instruction Type: Lecture

3. Modify the following course:

ENGL 5350 U/G **Topics in African American Literature** **3-0-3**

Description: Thematic approach to African American Literature, with emphasis on historical, philosophical, and/or cultural contexts. Topics such as ~~the oral tradition, autobiographies, the Harlem Renaissance, literary criticism and theory~~ **religion, migration, the oral tradition, autobiography, popular culture, rhetoric, civil rights, slavery, sexuality, or literary theory.**

Rationale: At this time the department's African American Literature offerings are very limited. With the addition of faculty expertise in the field, the department seeks to broaden its offerings. This modification and addition of these courses represent that intention. With the proposal of the new lower-level survey course, ENGL 5350 can now function as a "special topics" or thematic course in which the instructor can tailor the syllabus to a focused, critical, in-depth exploration of one aspect of African American Literary history. Hence, the change from "and" to "or" in the new course description.

B. African American Studies

1. Modify the program of study:

African American Studies Minor **18 hours**

AFAS 2000 - Introduction to African American Studies

Must include 9 hours of course work numbered 3000 or above with no more than 6 hours from a single discipline and at least 6 hours from each of the following areas of concentration:

Humanities:

AFAS 4000 - Independent Study in African American Studies

AFAS 5000U - Topics in African American Studies

ENGL 2050 - Africa and the Diaspora

ENGL 3350 - Introduction to African American Literature

ENGL 5355U – Black Women Writers

ENGL 5350U – **Topics in African American Literature**

HIST 2100 - The African Diaspora

HIST 3150 - History of Africa

HIST 3900 - African-American History To 1865

HIST 3910 - African-American History Since 1865

HIST 5200U - Topics in African History

HIST 5650U - Topics in African-American History

MUSC 2010 - Understanding Jazz

Social Sciences:

AFAS 4000 - Independent Study in African American Studies

AFAS 5000U - Topics in African American Studies

POLS 3980 - African Americans and the American Political System

POLS 5430U - Governments of Africa

POLS 5510U - Third World National Security

POLS 5560U - Comparative Foreign Policy

PUBH 5570U - Women and Minority Health Issues

SOCI 3200 - Racial and Ethnic Minorities

Rationale: This expansion of LLP's course offerings in African American studies can expand our minor.

C. Gender and Women's Studies

1. Modify the program of study:

PROGRAM FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN GENDER AND WOMEN'S STUDIES

- A. General Requirements
- Core Areas A, B, C, D, and E 42 hours
- Area F 18 hours
- GWST 1101 - Introduction to Gender and Women's Studies
- GWST 2101 - Gender and Ethics
- GWST 2200 - Gender in Global Contexts
- Foreign language 1002 (3 credit hours)
- Foreign language 2001 (3 credit hours)
- ENGL 2100 - Literature and Humanities
- Physical Education 3 hours
- B. Major Field Courses
- Minimum of 39 hours at 3000 level or above
- Required Courses in the Major Field 15 hours
- GWST 5700U - Feminist Theory
- GWST 4900 - Junior/Senior Seminar
- GWST/SOCI 5600U - Sociology of Gender
- FILM 5040U - Women and Film
- HIST 3740 - History of American Women
- Additional Major Field Courses
- List A: Arts and Humanities (3000 or above) 6 hours
- Choose from:
- ARTS 5760U - History of Photography
- ARTS 5770U - Art and Identity
- ENGL 5340U - Literature by Women
- ENGL 5355U – Black Women Writers**
- FILM 5025U – Popular Culture Theory and Criticism**
- GWST 5000U - Topics in Gender and Women's Studies
- GWST 5500U - Topics in Women's Leadership
- HIST 5660U - Topics in the History of Women and Gender in America
- HIST 5670U - Topics in the History of Women and Gender in Europe
- List B: Social/Behavioral Sciences and Health Professions (3000 or above) 6 hours
- Choose from:
- NURS 3355 - Women's Health
- COMM 5500U - Communication between the Genders
- PSYC 3100 - Human Sexuality
- PUBH 5570U - Women and Minority Health Issues
- PUBH 5575U - Health and Sexuality Education
- SOCI 3150 - Sociology of the Family
- SOCI 3300 - Social Stratification
- SOCI 3800 - Sociology of Sexuality

Rationale: The FILM course was inadvertently omitted and is being added to correct a clerical error. The new ENGL course allows additional offerings on issues of gender, race, and ethnicity.

2. Modify the program of study:

Gender and Women's Studies Minor

- Gender and Women's Studies 15 hours
- Fifteen semester hours from courses approved for the Gender and Women's Studies Minor in addition to those taken to satisfy areas A-E of the core. The courses taken from the approved list must include:
1. At least nine semester hours from courses numbered 3000 or higher
 2. Either GWST 1101 or 2101 (but may include both)

Courses approved for the Gender and Women's Studies Minor and Undergraduate Certificate:

ARTS 5760U - History of Photography
 ARTS 5770U - Art and Identity
 ENGL 5340U - Literature by Women
ENGL 5355U – Black Women Writers
FILM 5025U – Popular Culture Theory and Criticism
 FILM 5040U - Women and Film
 GWST 1101 - Introduction to Gender and Women's Studies
 GWST 2101 - Ethics, Values, and Gender
 GWST 2200 - Gender in Global Contexts
 GWST 5000U - Topics in Gender and Women's Studies
 GWST 5500U - Topics in Women's Leadership
 GWST/SOCI 5600U - Sociology of Gender
 GWST 5700U - Feminist Theory
 HIST 3740 - History of American Women
 HIST 5660U - Topics in the History of Women and Gender in America
 HIST 5670U - Topics in the History of Women and Gender in Europe
 NURS 3355 - Women's Health
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IV. College of Science and Technology

A. Biology

1. **Change the prerequisites for the following courses:**
 - a. BIOL 2020 Survey of the Kingdoms Plantae and Fungi 3-3-4
Prerequisite: ~~BIOL 1107~~**BIOL 1108 or BIOL 1108H**
 - b. BIOL 3600 Salt Marsh Ecology 3-3-4
Prerequisites: ~~BIOL 1108~~ and BIOL 2020
 - c. BIOL 4010 Evolution 3-0-3
Prerequisite: ~~BIOL 1108~~ and BIOL 2010 and BIOL 2020 and BIOL 2500
 - d. BIOL 4460 Phytoplankton Ecology 3-4-4
Prerequisite: ~~BIOL 1108~~ and 2020, or permission of instructor.

Rationale: In the past, BIOL 1107 included an introduction to plants, fungi, and protists, but now characteristics of these organisms are covered in BIOL 1108. Therefore, BIOL 1108 is a better choice as a prerequisite for BIOL 2020.

Effective Term: Spring 2009

2. Change the prerequisites for the following courses:

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| a. | BIOL 1108 Principles of Biology II
Prerequisite: BIOL 1107 or BIOL 1107H | 3-3-4 |
| b. | BIOL 2010 Microbiology
Prerequisite: BIOL 1107 or BIOL 1107H | 3-3-4 |
| c. | BIOL 2081 Human Anatomy and Physiology I
Prerequisite: BIOL 1107 or BIOL 1107H or CHEM 1151 or CHEM 1211 or CHEM 1010 | 3-2-4 |
| d. | BIOL 2500 Principles of Modern Biology
Prerequisite: BIOL 1107 or BIOL 1107H | 2-0-2 |
| e. | BIOL 3020 Zoology
Prerequisite: BIOL 1108 or BIOL 1108H | 3-3-4 |
| f. | BIOL 3100 Man and the Environment
Prerequisite: BIOL 1107 or BIOL 1107H | 3-0-3 |
| g. | BIOL 3300 Entomology
Prerequisite: BIOL 1108 or BIOL 1108H | 3-4-4 |
| h. | BIOL 3310 Invertebrate Zoology
Prerequisite: BIOL 1108 or BIOL 1108H | 3-3-4 |
| i. | BIOL 3470 Environmental Restoration
Prerequisite: Permission of instructor, CHEM 1212 and either BIOL 1108 or BIOL 1108H | 3-0-3 |
| j. | BIOL 3580 Histological Technique
Prerequisite: BIOL 1108 or BIOL 1108H | 1-8-4 |
| k. | BIOL 3750 Natural History of Vertebrate Animals
Prerequisite: BIOL 1108 or BIOL 1108H | 3-4-4 |
| l. | BIOL 3770 Developmental and Comparative Anatomy of the Vertebrates
Prerequisite: BIOL 1108 or BIOL 1108H | 3-6-4 |
| m. | BIOL 3920 PARASITOLOGY
Prerequisite: BIOL 1108 or BIOL 1108H | 3-4-4 |
| n. | BIOL 4550 Biology of Marine Organisms
Prerequisite: BIOL 1108 or BIOL 1108H | 3-4-4 |

Rationale: SHIP does not recognize honors courses as satisfying prerequisites and thus we are adding them to the catalogue.

Effective Term: Spring 2009

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Adjustment of effective date, RESP 4215, to Spring 2009
2. Adjustment of effective date, NURS 3535, to Spring 2009
3. Final approval procedure

ADJOURNMENT