

Minutes of the University Curriculum Committee
February 13, 2009
E-Vote Requested

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The University Curriculum Committee recommends approval of the following:

1. The minutes of the January 9, 2009 meeting.
2. New Courses

AGSM 355. Energy and Conversion Systems. (3-0). Credit 3. Basic physical conversion principles of energy use, including historical and future patterns; conservation measures, alternative energy sources, and the environment impact of U.S. and world energy use. Prerequisites: Junior or senior classification; non-majors only.

BAEN 414. Renewable Energy Conversions. (2-2). Credit 3. Energy/power systems through engineering and technical aspects of quantifying and designing the suitability of several types of renewable energy resources; new insights of vast resources that future engineers can harness to augment diminishing supplies of non-renewable energy. Prerequisite: BAEN 320, BAEN 366 or equivalent, or approval of instructor.

ENGL 331. Fantasy Literature. (3-0). Credit 3. An exploration of the genre of the fantasy novel, including its elements from the epic and the medieval chivalric romance, with focus on how the fantasy novel deploys these elements in its critique of industrialized modern society. Prerequisites: 3 credits of literature at 200-level or above or approval of instructor; junior or senior classification.

3. Change in Courses

BAEN 474. Unit Operations in Food Processing

Course number

From: BAEN 474.

To: BAEN 422.

Cross-listing

From: CHEN 474.

To: CHEN 422.

CHEN 474. Unit Operations in Food Processing.

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From: CHEN 474.

To: CHEN 422.

Cross-listing

From: BAEN 474.
To: BAEN 422.

SPAN 221. Field Studies I.

Course title

From: Field Studies I.
To: Field Studies Abroad I.

Lecture and semester credit hours

From: (3-0). Credit 3.
To: Credit 1 to 6.

Course description

From: Spanish language and culture taught in a Spanish-speaking country; supervised travel of cultural interest; living with local families; participation in activities and courses of a host university or institute; exams, written and oral reports; to be taken concurrently with SPAN 222. Prerequisite: SPAN 102 with a grade of B or higher.

To: Spanish language and culture taught in Spanish in a Spanish-speaking country; participation in academic and cultural activities of a host university or study abroad institute/center; written and oral reports and exams in Spanish. Prerequisite: SPAN 102 with a grade of B or higher.

SPAN 222. Field Studies II.

Course title

From: Field Studies II.
To: Field Studies Abroad II.

Lecture and semester credit hours

From: (3-0). Credit 3.
To: Credit 1 to 6.

Course description

From: Spanish language and literature taught in a Spanish-speaking country, in cooperation with a Spanish university or institute; exams, written and oral reports; to be taken concurrently with SPAN 221. Prerequisite: SPAN 102 with a grade of B or higher.

To: Spanish language, culture, cultural history, or literature taught in Spanish in a Spanish-speaking country; participation in academic and cultural activities of a host university or study abroad institute/center; written and oral reports and exams in Spanish. Prerequisite: SPAN 102 with a grade of B or higher.

THAR 320. Directing I.

Course number

From: THAR 320.

To: THAR 420.