Annual Report of the Curricula & Courses Committee to the University Senate

May 4, 2020

During the meeting period of April 11, 2019 through April 28, 2020, the Curricula and Courses Committee met 14 times and brought to the Senate the following actions:

I. 1000-level course actions approved by the Senate:

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COMM 1300

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Mass Communication Systems (5/4/20)

ECON 1107	Honors Core: Economics, Nature, and the Environment (10/7/19)
GERM 1131	Elementary German I (12/9/19)
GERM 1132	Elementary German II (12/9/19)
GERM 1133	Intermediate German I (11/4/19)
GERM 1134	Intermediate German II (11/4/19)
GEOG 1300	Weather, Climate and Environment (9/9/19)
GSCI 1000E	The Human Epoch: Living in the Anthropocene (12/9/19)
HEJS 1151	Modern Elementary Hebrew I (4/6/20)
HEJS 1152	Modern Elementary Hebrew II (4/6/20)
HEJS 1153	Intermediate Modern Hebrew I (12/9/19)
HEJS 1154	Intermediate Modern Hebrew II (12/9/19)
ILCS 1145	Elementary Italian I (11/4/19)
ILCS 1146	Elementary Italian II (11/4/19)
ILCS 1147	Intermediate Italian I (10/7/19)
ILCS 1148	Intermediate Italian II (10/7/19)
MARN/MAST 1001	The Sea Around Us (3/2/20)
MUSI 1115	Jazz Ensembles (4/6/20)
MUSI 1601	Introduction to Improvisation (3/2/20)

II. 2000-level course actions approved by the Senate:

New courses added:

ARTH/AFRA 2222	Race, Gender, Sexuality, and the Power of Looking (2/3/20)
ANTH 2600	Applied Research and Microscopy in Archaeobotany (11/4/19)
BME 2193	International Study (9/9/19)
CE 2193	International Study (9/9/19)
CHEG 2193	International Study (9/9/19)
CSE 2193	International Study (9/9/19)
CSE 2301	Principles and Practice of Digital Logic Design (12/9/19)
DMD 2620	Human Development, Digital Media, and Technology (11/4/19)
ECE 2193	International Study (9/9/19)
EDLR 2010	Leadership Theory and Practice in Sport Management (12/9/19)
EDLR 2005	Introduction to Service-Learning (4/6/20)

ENGL 2020W Technical Writing and Design (12/9/19)

ENGL/AAAS/JAPN 2305 Modern Japanese Literature (4/6/20)

ENGL/CLCS 2609 Fascism and its Opponents (11/4/19)

ENGL 2640/W Studies in Film (4/6/20)
ENGL 2730W Travel Writing (11/4/19)

ENVE 2193 International Study (9/9/19)

GSCI 2800 Our Evolving Atmosphere (12/9/19)

HDFS 2142 Exploring Conservation and Sustainability with Preschoolers (4/6/20)

HEJS 2200 Israel: History and Society (2/3/20)

HIST 2222E Global Environmental History (2/3/20)

JOUR 2065 Mobile Storytelling (12/9/19)
MARN 2893 International Study (12/9/19)

MAST 2300E Marine Environmental Policy (4/6/20)

MATH 2705W Technical Writing in Mathematics (12/9/19)

ME 2193 International Study (9/9/19)

NURS 1131 Introduction to the Discipline of Nursing (12/9/19)

POLS 2023/W Political Theory in Film (4/6/20)

POLS 2073Q Advanced Quantitative Methods in Political Science (10/7/19)

POLS 2450 Nuclear Security (5/4/20)

POLS 2602W Religion and Politics in America (4/6/20)

PSYC 2502 Science of Learning and Art of Scientific Communication (3/2/20)

SOCI/AAAS 2200 Introducing India: Diversity and Dynamism (4/6/20)
SPSS 2130 Introduction to the Horticulture of Cannabis (3/2/20)

WGSS 2253 Introduction to Queer Studies (5/4/20)

Courses revised:

AAAS/HIST 3841 (2841) Empire and Nation in Southeast Asia (12/9/19)

AH 2001 Medical Terminology (11/4/19)

ANTH 2600 Applied Research and Microscopy in Archaeobotany (12/9/19)

CE 4900W Civil Engineering Projects I (5/4/20)

CHEM 1124Q Fundamentals of General Chemistry I (5/4/20)
COMM 2940 Fundamentals of Digital Production (5/4/20)

COMM 3100 (2500) Persuasion (5/4/20)

COMM 3200 (2200) Interpersonal Communication (5/4/20)

COMM 3300 (2300) Effects of Mass Media (5/4/20)

DRAM 2134 Honors Core: Sports as Performance (9/9/19)

ECON 2103 Honors Core: Deep Roots of Modern Societies (4/6/20)

ECON 2312 Empirical Methods in Economics II (11/4/19)

ECON 2326 Operations Research (2/3/20)

ECON/MAST 2467 Economics of the Oceans (2/3/20)

EEB 2222 Plants in a Changing World (4/6/20)

EEB 2244/W General Ecology (11/4/19)

EEB 2250 Introduction to Plant Physiology (2/3/20)

GEOG 2200 Introduction to Human Geography (11/4/19)

GEOG 2320 Climate Change: Current Geographic Issues (11/4/19)

HDFS 2001 Diversity Issues in Human Development and Family Studies (11/4/19)

HDFS 2004W Research Methods in Human Development and Family

Studies (11/4/19)

HIST/AMST 2810 Crime, Policing, and Punishment in the United States (9/9/19)

HIST 3350 Byzantium (11/4/19)

HIST 3421 History of Modern England (11/4/19)

HIST 3451 Germany Since 1815 (10/7/19)

HIST 3470 Medieval and Imperial Russia to 1855 (11/4/19)

HIST 3471 History of Russia Since 1855 (11/4/19)

HIST/AFRA/LLAS 3621 Cuba in Local and Global Perspective (12/9/19)

HIST 3832 Modern Japan (11/4/19)

KINS 2227 Exercise Prescription (2/3/20)

LAND 2210 The Common (Shared) Landscape of the USA: Rights, Responsibilities

& Values (9/9/19)

MARN 2801W Marine Sciences and Society (12/9/19)
PHIL 2221/W Ancient Greek Philosophy (12/9/19)

PHIL 2222/W Early Modern European Philosophy (12/9/19)

PNB 2250 Comparative Animal Physiology (5/4/20)

SPSS 2100 Environmental Sustainability of Food Production in Developed

Countries (9/9/19)

URBN/HIST 3650 (2650) History of Urban Latin America (5/4/20)

WGSS 2250 Critical Approaches to Women's, Gender and Sexuality

Studies (9/9/19)

Courses deleted:

MARN 2002 Marine Sciences I (3/2/20)

NUSC 2241 Nutritional Assessment (12/9/19)

III. S/U grading actions approved by the Senate:

New courses added:

COMM 4979 Digital Portfolio (5/4/20)

POLS 4992 Political Science Colloquium (5/4/20)

SANR 991 Field Study Internship (10/7/19)

Revised courses:

AH 4288 Instructional Assistant in AHS (5/4/20)

COMM 4992 Research Practicum (5/4/20)

ENGR 4590 Shop Safety Practicum (12/9/19)

MARN 4891 Internship in Marine Sciences (10/7/19)

MKTG 4891 Professional Practice in Marketing (4/6/20)

MKTG 4892 Practicum in Professional Sales (4/6/20)

IV. General Education Content Area actions approved by the Senate:

Newly included in Content Area 1 Arts and Humanities:

ENGL 2640/W

AAAS 1000 Pathways to Asian American Studies (4/6/20)

AAAS 1001 Pathways to Asian Studies (4/6/20)

ARTH/AFRA 2222 Race, Gender, Sexuality, and the Power of Looking (2/3/20)

CHIN 3230 Language & Identity in Greater China (5/4/20)

ECON 2103 Honors Core: Deep Roots of Modern Societies (4/6/20)

Studies in Film (4/6/20)

ENGL/AAAS/JAPN 2305 Modern Japanese Literature (4/6/20)
ENGL/CLCS 2609 Fascism and its Opponents (11/4/19)

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ENGL 2730W Travel Writing (11/4/19)

ENGL 3635 Literature and the Environment (10/7/19)

ENGL 3640W British Film (3/2/20)

FREN 3261 From the Holy Grail to the Revolution: Introduction to Literature

(4/6/20)

FREN 3262 From the Romantics to the Moderns: Introduction to Literature

(4/6/20)

HEJS 2200 Israel: History and Society (2/3/20)
HIST 1200 World History, 1200-1800 (2/3/20)

HIST 2222E Global Environmental History (2/3/20)

HIST/AMST 2810 Crime, Policing, and Punishment in the United States (9/9/19)

ILCS 3248W The Italian Novella (3/2/20)

MUSI 1115 Jazz Ensembles (4/6/20)

MUSI 1120 Jazz Combos (4/6/20)

POLS 2023/W Political Theory in Film (4/6/20)

Newly included in Content Area 2 Social Sciences:

DMD 2620 Human Development, Digital Media, and Technology (11/4/19)

EDCI 1100 If You Love It, Teach It (11/4/19)

EPSY 1830 Critical and Creative Thinking in the Movies (5/4/20)

GEOG 2200 Introduction to Human Geography (11/4/19)
POLS 3240 Environmental and Climate Justice (5/4/20)

POLS 3603WQ Congressional Apportionment and Redistricting (3/2/20)

Newly included in Content Area 3 Science and Technology, non-Lab:

EEB 2250 Introduction to Plant Physiology (2/3/20)

GEOG 1300 Weather, Climate and Environment (9/9/19)

GSCI 1000E The Human Epoch: Living in the Anthropocene (12/9/19)

GSCI 2800 Our Evolving Atmosphere (12/9/19)

MARN 3000 Hydrosphere and Global Climate (12/9/19)

Newly included in Content Area 3 Science and Technology, Lab:

ANTH 2600 Applied Research and Microscopy in Archaeobotany (12/9/19)

Newly included in Content Area 4 Diversity and Multiculturalism, non-International:

AAAS 1000 Pathways to Asian American Studies (4/6/20)

ARTH/AFRA 2222 Race, Gender, Sexuality, and the Power of Looking (2/3/20)

DMD 2620 Human Development, Digital Media, and Technology (11/4/19)

POLS 2602W Religion and Politics in America (4/6/20)

Revised courses in Content Area 4 Diversity and Multiculturalism, non-International:

HIST 3570 American Indian History (3/2/20)

Newly included in Content Area 4 Diversity and Multiculturalism, International:

AAAS 1001 Pathways to Asian Studies (4/6/20)

ENGL/AAAS/JAPN 2305 Modern Japanese Literature (4/6/20)

GEOG 2200 Introduction to Human Geography (11/4/19)

HEJS 2200 Israel: History and Society (2/3/20)
HIST 1200 World History, 1200-1800 (2/3/20)

HIST 2222E Global Environmental History (2/3/20)

ILCS 3248W The Italian Novella (3/2/20)

Newly included in Environmental Literacy:

AH 3175 Environmental Health (11/4/19)

ANTH 1010 Global Climate Change and Human Societies (11/4/19)

ARE 3434 Environmental and Resource Policy (10/7/19)

ARE 3437 Marine Fisheries Economics and Policy (10/7/19)

ECON 1107 Honors Core: Economics, Nature, and the Environment (10/7/19)

ECON 3466 Environmental Economics (10/7/19)
ECON/MAST 2467 Economics of the Oceans (2/3/20)

EEB 2222 Plants in a Changing World (4/6/20)

EEB 2244/W General Ecology (11/4/19)

ENGL 3635 Literature and the Environment (10/7/19)

ENGL 3715 Nature Writing Workshop (10/7/19)

GEOG 1300 Weather, Climate and Environment (9/9/19)

GEOG 2320 Climate Change: Current Geographic Issues (11/4/19)

GEOG 2400 Introduction to Sustainable Cities (11/4/19)

GEOG 3410 Human Modifications of Natural Environments (3/2/20)

GSCI 1000E The Human Epoch: Living in the Anthropocene (11/4/19)

HDFS 2142 Exploring Conservation and Sustainability with Preschoolers (4/6/20)

HIST 2222E Global Environmental History (2/3/20)

HIST/AMST 3542 New England Environmental History (12/9/19)

JOUR 3046 Environmental Journalism (11/4/19)

LAND 2210 The Common (Shared) Landscape of the USA: Rights, Responsibilities

& Values (9/9/19)

LAND 3230W Environmental Planning and Landscape Design (12/9/19)

MARN/MAST 1001 The Sea Around Us (3/2/20)

MARN 2801W Marine Sciences and Society (12/9/19)

MARN 3000 Hydrosphere and Global Climate (12/9/19)

MAST 2300E Marine Environmental Policy (4/6/20)

PHIL 3216/W Environmental Ethics (12/9/19)

POLS 3240 Environmental and Climate Justice (5/4/20)

PSYC 3104 Environmental Psychology (3/2/20)

SPSS 2100 Environmental Sustainability of Food Production in Developed

Countries (9/9/19)

Revised Environmental Literacy (3000- to 4000-level):

EEB 3205E Current Issues in Environmental Science (4/6/20)

V. Actions reported for the information of the Senate:

Newly included Quantitative Competency (3000- to 4000-level):

MARN 4210Q Experimental Design in Marine Ecology (3/2/20)

POLS 3603WQ Congressional Apportionment and Redistricting (3/2/20)

Revised Quantitative Competency (3000- to 4000-level):

ECON 2312Q Empirical Methods in Economics II (11/4/19)

POLS 2073Q Advanced Quantitative Methods in Political Science (10/7/19)

Newly included Writing Competency (3000- to 4000-level):

BUSN 3004W Business Writing and Communication (2/3/20)

ECE 4900W Communicating Engineering Solutions in a Societal Context (3/2/20)

ENGL 1007 (FYW) Seminar and Studio in Writing and Multimodal Composition (2/3/20)

ENGL 2020W Technical Writing and Design (12/9/19)

ENGL 2640/W Studies in Film (4/6/20)
ENGL 2730W Travel Writing (11/4/19)

ENGL 3640W British Film (3/2/20)

ILCS 3248W The Italian Novella (3/2/20)

MATH 2705W Technical Writing in Mathematics (12/9/19)

MCB 3844W Microbes and the Media (12/9/19)

MCB 3849W Symbiosis: The Science of Living Together (12/9/19)

NURS 4230W Quality Improvement and Evidence Based Practice in Nursing

(10/7/19)

POLS 3603WQ Congressional Apportionment and Redistricting (3/2/20)

Revised Writing Competency (3000- to 4000-level):

COMM 4035W Advanced Media Effects (9/9/19)

COMM 4640W Social Media: Research and Practice (10/7/19)

CSE 4939W Computer Science and Engineering Design Project I (12/9/19)

ENGL 4302W Advanced Study: Literature of Australia, Canada, Ireland, and New

Zealand (11/4/19)

ENVE 4910W Environmental Engineering Design 1 (3/2/20)

GEOG 4001W Writing in Geography (3/2/20)

HEJS/CAMS/HIST 3330W Palestine Under the Greeks and Romans (3/2/20)

KINS 3530/W Aerobic and Resistance Training for Performance (11/4/19)

KINS 4205W Exercise Science Capstone (2/3/20)

LAND 3230W Environmental Planning and Landscape Design (12/9/19)

PHIL 3216/W Environmental Ethics (12/9/19)

PNB 3120W Public Communication of Physiology and Neurobiology (5/4/20)

Deleted Writing Competency (3000- to 4000-level):

BME 3600W Biomechanics (9/9/19)

COMM 4450W Global Communication (5/4/20)

COMM 4451W Media, State, and Society (5/4/20)

ECON 2312W Empirical Methods in Economics II (10/7/19)

FREN 3261W From the Holy Grail to the Revolution: Introduction to Literature

(5/4/20)

FREN 3262W From the Romantics to the Moderns: Introduction to Literature

(5/4/20)

Gen Ed courses approved for offering in intensive session:

ECON 3466E Environmental Economics (5/4/20)

EPSY 1830 Critical and Creative Thinking in the Movies (5/4/20)

GEOG 2400 Introduction to Sustainable Cities (11/4/19)

GSCI 1000E The Human Epoch: Living in the Anthropocene (4/6/20)

SOCI 2310 Introduction to Criminal Justice (11/4/19)

SOCI/LLAS 3525 Latino Sociology (11/4/19)

Special Topics courses:

ECON 1495 Special Topics: Economics through Film (10/7/19)

VI. Courses Referred by the University Interdisciplinary Courses Committee

The Senate Curricula and Courses Committee also reviewed the following 3000- and 4000-level courses under the UNIV, INTD, AIRF, or MISI designations that were referred by the University Interdisciplinary Courses Committee (UICC).

UNIV 1985 Special Topics: The COVID-19 Pandemic; Impacts on Health,

Business, and Society (5/4/20)

UNIV 3792 International Healthcare Practicum (3/2/20)

UNIV 3985 Special Topics: The COVID-19 Pandemic; Impacts on Health,

Business, and Society (5/4/20)

UNIV 3995 Special Topics: Healthcare Internship with Atlantis Project – Italy

(2/3/20)

VII. Non-Senate Courses Reviewed*

The Senate Curricula and Courses Committee also reviewed one graduate-level S/U graded course *before a policy review determined that the Senate Curricula and Courses Committee did not have purview over graduate courses. Edits were made to the By-laws to make this clear. This course was reported directly to the Graduate School and was not reviewed by the University Senate.

New graduate-level S/U graded courses:

ISG 5730 Professional Skills and Competencies (10/7/19)

VIII. Other Course-Related Actions Consider by the Senate C&CC

Approval of four omnibus motion documents containing editorial changes to courses that were previously hyphenated in the catalog (12/9/19 & 4/6/20)

Acceptance and approval of the General Education Oversight Committee's Annual Alignment Report (5/4/20)

IX. Course Action Request (CAR) Form Workflow Report

The General Education Oversight Committee and Senate Curricula and Courses Committee fully transitioned to the Course Action Request (CAR) form in its present state in the 2016-2017 academic year. Since then, the majority of university departments, schools, and colleges has been brought on board to use the form for their curricular actions. In 2016-2017, the number of CARs created in the system was 295. In 2017-2018, the number of CARs created was 774. That number has since leveled off with 552 CARs created in 2018-2019 and 567 CARs created this AY, 2019-2020.

Data was not provided until last year on how many of those course were brought to END status, but it should be noted that a distinct CAR is created each time someone opens the form. Moreover, there were issues reported early on where proposers did not know how to find forms that they had started and saved, so they started new forms. As more departments, schools, and colleges began to use the form, these growing pains may explain the dramatic increase in the number of CARs entering the system from 2016-2017 to 2017-2018. As noted above, the numbers of have fallen somewhat and leveled off since 2017-2018, but they are still almost double what they were in 2016-2017.

The data for this year has again been broken out into CARs that were created and CARs that have been brought to end status. The current year was productive, with 575 CARs being brought to end status, compared to 524 last year (+51).

Created between 4/12/2019-4/28/2020

Choice	Count	Percentage	
Add Course	217	38.3%	
Revise Course	308	54.3%	
Drop Course	42	7.4%	
Total	567	100%	

Brought to END status 4/12/2019-4/28/2020

Choice	Count	Percentage
Add Course	245	42.6%
Revise Course	287	49.9%
Drop Course	43	7.5%
Total	575	100%

1000-level

Choice	Count	Percentage
Add Course	17	34%

Total	50	100%	
Drop Course	1	2%	
Revise Course	32	64%	

2000-level

Choice	Count	Percentage	
Add Course	34	54.8%	
Revise Course	25	40.3%	
Drop Course	3	4.8%	
Total	62	100%	

3000-level

Choice	Count	Percentage	
Add Course	52	36.4%	
Revise Course	79	55.2%	
Drop Course	12	8.4%	
Total	143	100%	

4000-level

Choice	Count	Percentage
Add Course	24	28.2%
Revise Course	59	69.4%
Drop Course	2	2.4%
Total	85	100%

5000-level

Choice	Count	Percentage
Add Course	104	50.5%
Revise Course	82	39.8%
Drop Course	20	9.7%
Total	206	100%

6000-level

Choice	Count	Percentage 46.4%	
Add Course	13		
Revise Course	10	35.7%	
Drop Course	5	17.9%	
Total	28	100%	

Choice	Count	Percentage
School of Fine Arts	28	4.9%
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences	285	49.6%
Neag School of Education	20	3.5%
College of Agriculture, Health and Natural Resources	77	13.4%
School of Nursing	25	4.3%
School of Engineering	79	13.7%
The Graduate School	19	3.3%
School of Business	15	2.6%
UCHC/UConn Health	9	1.6%
Other	18	3.1%
Total	575	100%

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