

Curriculum Proposals for the 04/17/08 Faculty Senate Meeting

The meeting was held via email April 9-10, 2008.

Present: Committee Members Present: Ethan Carver, Bruce Hutchinson (Chair), Craig Laing, Bento Lobo, Dennis Plaisted, Verbie Prevost, and Clint Smullen.

The six voting members who have voted plus Bruce Hutchinson (Chair) are a quorum of the voting members of the Committee.

08-071: ANTH 207 and ANTH 210 Degree Requirement Option: Approved: 6-0-0.

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Title of Proposal - Must begin with Department Abbreviation:

ANTH 207 and ANTH 210 Degree Requirement Option

REGISTRATION

Check One: [X] Full Proposal or [] Information Item

Effective Date for Curricular Offering: Fall 2009

FROM: Nick Honerkamp, Sociology, Anthropology & Geography

(proposal originator: include spokesperson's name, department, office number, telephone, e-mail)

Does this require new resources from the originating department or other department? No

Please attach explanation if yes.

Faculty of the originating department approved this proposal on Feb. 28, 2008 (date),

by a vote of 4 aye votes; 0 nay votes; 0 abstentions; 0 eligible voting members absent

The following have examined this proposal:

Dept Head/Director: Zibin Guo

(printed name)

[Signature] [X] approve [] neutral [] disapprove*

College Curriculum Committee Date: Vote: Signature of Chair:

Spokespersons for Affected Departments:

(name, department, date) signature approve neutral disapprove*

(name, department, date) signature approve neutral disapprove*

(name, department, date) signature approve neutral disapprove*

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Dean/Director: H. Burkenn

[Signature] [X] approve [] neutral [] disapprove*

University Registrar: Linda Orth (printed name)

[Signature] [X] approve [] neutral [] disapprove*

Provost: Phil Oldham (printed name)

[Signature] [X] approve [] neutral [] disapprove*

*Those who disapprove may attach an explanation

Table with 3 columns: ACTIONS on this proposal, Curriculum Committee, Faculty Senate. Rows include Date the proposal was considered, Vote of the body, Accepted as information item, Approved as submitted, Approved with amendments, and Signature of Chair.

To: University Curriculum Committee
From: Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Geography
Re: Full Proposal – Major Requirements Option: ANTH 207 and ANTH 210
Date: March 20, 2008

The Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Geography proposes to modify its major requirements for the anthropology BA/BS emphasis. Currently ANTH 210, Anthropological Linguistics, is required of all majors. We propose to change that requirement to either ANTH 210 or ANTH 207, Physical Anthropology. This proposed change is in response to two main issues. First, only 1-2% of PhDs awarded in anthropology are in the area of linguistics, while approximately 25% of PhDs are in physical anthropology. Requiring a course in a subfield that ultimately attracts such a miniscule number of graduate students does our own undergraduate students a disservice. By providing flexibility, we will hopefully accommodate students with a variety of interests, as well as eliminating graduation delays. Second, a recent student poll conducted in our department revealed a good deal of student support for the ANTH 207 course, which has not been offered in several years. As a result, we will be offering this course next fall.

Two of the Department's full-time faculty have taught ANTH 207 in the past, and both have a strong interest in teaching it in the future. The flexibility inherent in this change should help eliminate delays in graduation since students will have an ANTH 207/210 option. No new library resources are required, as we have been including physical anthropology materials in our library allocations. No other Departments are affected by this change.

The Departmental Curriculum Committee unanimously approved this proposed change on February 27, 2008. It was then reviewed by the entire Departmental faculty and Department Head.

Current catalog requirements:

1888- BA Degree, Anthropology Concentration

33 hours of anthropology and sociology including Anthropology 152, 208, 210, 211, 302, 314, and 414; 3 hours of approved anthropology field and laboratory courses; 3 hours of sociology; additional hours of anthropology electives to complete concentration.

2880-BS Degree, Anthropology Concentration

33 hours of anthropology and sociology including Anthropology 152, 208, 210, 211, and 302; Sociology 314 and 414; 3 hours of approved anthropology field and laboratory courses; additional hours of anthropology electives to complete the concentration.

2.0 average in all anthropology and sociology courses.

Minimum of 39 hours of 300 and 400 level courses.

Electives to complete 120 hours.

Proposed catalog requirements:

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