

ASC Curriculum and Assessment Annual Report 2012-2013:
Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee (ASCC) & ASC Graduate Curriculum Committee

For activities from July 3, 2012 through June 30, 2013

A. Curricular and Assessment Initiatives

Calendar conversion implementation

- On 1-18-13, the ASCC was updated on the following conversion issues and approved two policy clarifications.
 - The faculty rules under quarters specified that if a student came back to the university to pursue another degree in the same subject as his/her minor earned during his/her first degree, 10 credit hours (two 5-credit hour courses) from that minor could apply to the next degree. During calendar conversion, it was determined that 6 hours from such a minor could be applied to a student's subsequent degree in the same subject as the minor. However, after conversion, courses actually count as 3.35 credits, thus pushing 2 courses above 6 credit hours. The point requiring clarification was: did the committee intend that the maximum be exactly 6 credit hours or did the committee mean 2 courses? The ASCC agreed that it should be 2 courses.
 - The faculty rules governing ASC majors under semesters state that "no more than one half of the semester credit hours required in the major can be credit hours transferred to Ohio State from another institution." For minors, ASCC decided that under semesters "no more than 6 semester hours of transfer credit may be applied to any minor." The point requiring clarification was: did the committee actually mean that only 6 hours can be transfer credit hours or did the committee mean that no more than half of the hours required in the minor can be transferred from another institution (since the minimum credit requirement for minors under semesters is 12 credit hours)? The ASCC formally voted that the latter meaning was intended. Thus, the language of the rules governing minors was made consistent with the language of the rules governing majors in regards to transfer credit.

GE Education Abroad

- On 4-19-13, the ASCC had a discussion as to whether in order to qualify for GE Education Abroad courses should include a minimum amount of time abroad. Opinions differed on the issue, but the committee unanimously agreed that it was premature to make any formal policy decisions before initial assessment feedback provides ASCC with more information.

Assessment of General Education

- The GE Education Abroad submission guidelines were updated by the Assessment Panel to provide more clarification regarding the grading rubric and the assessment materials that need to be submitted at the end of each course.
- The Assessment Panel finalized the GE Service Learning submission guidelines, which include a scoring rubric tool to be utilized by instructors. These guidelines are identical to the GE Education Abroad submission guidelines.
- Course Set 6 Assessment reports that were submitted during quarters were reviewed by the panel during the Spring semester.

- A meeting was organized with the instructors of GE Education Abroad courses to discuss the assessment requirements for the GE category as well as to answer any questions or concerns that might arise.
- During Spring semester the Assessment Panel reviewed the 2004-2005 Assessment Plan and began discussing ideas for the 2013-2018 General Education Assessment Plan. The panel decided to continue with course reports as well as start implementing departmental level reporting. In addition, the panel plans on developing scoring rubrics for each GE category. The plan will be finalized and voted on by the full ASCC during Autumn 2013.

Freshman Seminars

- A separate report on Freshman Seminars will be submitted by the Freshman Seminars program.

B. Programs

Undergraduate Curricular Requests Approved by ASCC:

Major Conversions to Semesters

ASC Personalized Study Program – BA

ASC Personalized Study Program – BS

The Personalized Study Program (PSP) gives self-motivated students the opportunity to design with faculty advisors a unique interdisciplinary major. The PSP must include at least 33 semester credit hours. Up to 6 hours of the major can be at the 2000 level; 27 hours or more must be at the upper-division level. Both the BA and BS PSPs are overall straight conversions. One change is that under semesters students must have a 3.0 GPA to have their plan approved.

ASC Personalized Study Program – Integrated Social Studies

Students who are interested in teaching social studies grades 7 through 12 pursue the PSP in ISS and then apply to the Master of Education licensure program. (The College of Education and Human Ecology at Ohio State does not offer a Bachelor of Science program in Education licensure for integrated social studies.) The PSP in ISS requires a set of prescribed courses totaling 45 credit hours. This conversion is largely a straight conversion. One noteworthy change is that there no longer is a requirement to complete a Geography minor. Instead, the Geography courses are included in the major.

Major Revisions

Linguistics BA

Linguistics 4000 (Introduction to Linguistics), the first of four core courses to be taken by students in Tracks A and B, is removed from this category. In its stead, Linguistics 4400 (Linguistics Meaning), previously an elective semantics course in the major, is moved to the core course category. These changes will enable students to complete the major without sometimes needing an additional semester (an unfortunate and unforeseen issue with the Ling 4000 core requirement) and participate in research earlier in their academic careers. Furthermore, under semesters, Ling 4000 has not proven to be an indispensable preparation to the other core courses in the major since Ling 2000 (Introduction to

Language in the Humanities) now provides sufficient preparation. Ling 4000 is renumbered 5000 (a more appropriate course level since under quarters the course was Ling 601) and is no longer part of the major (though it is allowed to substitute for the Ling 2000 prerequisite).

Neuroscience BS—Major declaration proposal

To better prepare students for the demands of the major curriculum, the following criteria for admission have been added:

- Completion of 24 semester hours of college-level course work (includes transfer credit, EM, and AP);
- Completion of 12 semester hours of OSU letter-graded course work with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale; and
- The completion of two core courses from the major (Neuroscience 3000 and Psychology 3313) earning a minimum grade of “B” or above in each.
- Due to the Honors Program’s highly selective admission process, first-year honors students are exempted from the above criteria.

New Minors

ASC

- Atmospheric Sciences Minor

Non-ASC minors approved for ASC students

- Dairy Minor
- Human and Animal Interactions Minor
- Environment, Economy, Development, and Sustainability Minor

Minor Revision

- Spanish Minor

Graduate Curricular Requests Approved by ASC Graduate Curriculum Committee:

New Graduate Programs

Master’s of Quantitative Risk Management

The Master’s of Quantitative Risk Management is based on the Department of Mathematics’ current undergraduate actuarial program. It is a response to the increasing demand throughout the state and the nation for high quality employees in quantitative risk management in all areas of business, and in insurance and financial institutions in particular. The MS combines financial and actuarial mathematics, which makes it the first such program in Ohio and one of a few in the country. There is a thesis-option (min. 36 hours of course work with a thesis and oral exam) and a non-thesis option (min. 39 hours of course work with comprehensive exams in two major areas). The program contains 12 hours of required courses, 12 to 18 hours of major elective courses, and 9 to 15 hours of other elective courses. An initial enrollment of about five to ten students is expected in the first year, with eventual growth to about twenty students per year.

Master's of Applied Economics

The MAE is a tagged, professional degree jointly developed by and administered by the Department of Economics (ASC) and the Department of Agricultural, Environmental and Development Economics (FAES). This unique program in the State of Ohio focuses on the application of economic theory and empirical methodology relevant to practitioners of economic analysis and is designed to appeal to individuals who seek employment in business, banking and finance, consulting firms, government agencies, international agencies, research institutions, and non-governmental organizations. The MAE is a non-thesis degree that contains 31 credit hours of courses. Students take three Economics core courses totaling 11 credit hours and three Applied Economics core courses for another 11 credit hours. The remaining nine credit hours are elective courses that must be taken in either Economics or AEDE with at least 6 hours at the 6000 level or higher. An initial enrollment of about fifteen students is expected in the first year, with growth to about fifty students in year five. Enrollment is estimated to increase even more as Ohio State further invests into on-line courses.

Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization in Comparative Literature

This GIS proposed by the Department of Comparative Studies formalizes an area of interest that has been pursued informally by many students over the years. Scholars in Comparative Literature teach in a variety of units, including the Department of Comparative Studies, English, Theatre, and the foreign languages. The GIS provides the opportunity to further develop cross-department collaboration for both faculty and graduate students. The program is developed to appeal to MA and PhD students who seek to expand their scholarship beyond their home department. The GIS contains 12 hours of graduate-level coursework, 9 of which must be outside a student's home department. The 12 hours need to be distributed as follows: one core course, Comparative Studies 7301 (Theorizing Comparative Literature); two courses in a foreign language; and one additional comparative literature seminar. An initial enrollment of three to five students is expected.

C. Courses

From July 3, 2012 through June 30, 2013, **985** undergraduate and graduate course requests were processed through the College of Arts and Sciences. Details for course requests with the most curricular import are given below (pp. 4-13). No details are provided for more routine requests (e.g., addition of a campus of offering, change to prerequisites, corrections of typos).

General Education Courses

New General Education Courses: 45

Course Bulletin	Course Number	GE Categories		
ANTHROP	2100.01	SOC SCI-HNER		(Transfer stds only)
ARTSSCI	2797.02	EDUCATION ABROAD		
BIOLOGY	2100	NAT SCI-BIO		

CHINESE	2797.01	EDUCATION ABROAD		
CLAS	2401E	LIT		
CLAS	3407	LIT	HIST STUDY	
CLAS	3408	CULT/IDEA	HIST STUDY	
COMM	1102H	SOC SCI-IND/GRP		
COMM	2596	CROSS-DISC SEM		
EDUTL	3356E	LIT		
ENGR	2367.01H	WRIT-COMM 2	SOC DIV-US	
GERMAN	3256	CULT/IDEA		
GERMAN	3353	CULT/IDEA		
HISTART	2005	VPA	HIST STUDY	
HISTART	3102	VPA	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES	
HISTORY	3798.02	EDUCATION ABROAD	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES	HIST STUDY
HONORS	2596H	CROSS-DISC SEM		
INTSTDS	2797.02	EDUCATION ABROAD		
JEWSHST	2205	VPA		
JEWSHST	2209	CULT/IDEA		
JEWSHST	2210	CULT/IDEA	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES	
JEWSHST	2210H	CULT/IDEA	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES	
JEWSHST	2241	CULT/IDEA	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES	
JEWSHST	2242	CULT/IDEA	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES	
JEWSHST	2242H	CULT/IDEA	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES	
JEWSHST	2245	VPA		
JEWSHST	2367	WRIT-COMM 2	CULT/IDEA	
JEWSHST	2700	LIT	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES	
JEWSHST	2700H	LIT	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES	
JEWSHST	2702	LIT	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES	

JEWSHST	2702H	LIT	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES	
JEWSHST	2703	LIT	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES	
JEWSHST	2704	LIT	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES	
JEWSHST	2708	LIT	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES	
JEWSHST	3110	HIST STUDY		
MEDREN	2610	CULT/IDEA		
MEDREN	2888	LIT		
MUSIC	3343	VPA		
MUSIC	3350	EDUCATION ABROAD	VPA	
PORTGSE	2798.10	EDUCATION ABROAD		
PSYCH	2367.02	WRIT-COMM 2		
SLAVIC	2797.02	EDUCATION ABROAD	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES	
SOCWORK	1130H	SOC SCI-IND/GRP		
SPANISH	2798.11	EDUCATION ABROAD		
SPANISH	2798.12	EDUCATION ABROAD		

GE Courses Withdrawn: 2

Course Bulletin	Course Number	GE Categories		
HISTART	2367	WRIT-COMM 2	VPA	
SPANISH	1101.51	FOREIGN LANG		

Existing General Education Courses Converted to Semesters: 9

Course Bulletin	Course Number	Type of conversion
AFAMAST	3304	Semester equivalent of a quarter course: GE Historical Study
ENGLISH	2202	Semester equivalent of a quarter course: GE Literature & GE Diversity—Global Studies
ENGLISH	2202H	Semester equivalent of a quarter course: GE Literature & GE Diversity—Global Studies

ENGLISH	2291	Semester equivalent of a quarter course: GE Literature
ENTOMOLOGY	2101	Modified/Re-envisioned: Approved for GE Natural Science-Biological Science
NELC	4597	Semester equivalent of a quarter course: GE Cross-Disciplinary Seminar
SLAVIC	4597	Modified/Re-envisioned: GE Global Studies added to existing GE Cross-Disciplinary Seminar
ROMANIA	1111	Semester equivalent of a quarter course: GE Foreign Language
SOCIOL	1101E	Semester equivalent of a quarter course: GE Social Science-Organizations and Politics & GE Social Diversity in the US

Changes to GE Courses that affect GE category/ies, course bulletin listing, course number, or otherwise significantly impact the status of the course¹: 55

Course Bulletin	Course Number	GE Categories			Change
AFAMAST	3376	VPA	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Removed erroneous "SOC DIV-US" and added DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES
ASTRON	1140	NAT SCI-PHYS			Changed course number (from 1161)
ASTRON	1144	NAT SCI-PHYS			Changed course number (from 1162)
ASTRON	2161H	NAT SCI-PHYS			Changed course number (from 1161H)
ASTRON	2162H	NAT SCI-PHYS			Changed course number (from 1162H)
CHINESE	2141.01	FOREIGN LANG			Added GE status to previously non-GE course
CHINESE	4404	LIT	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Added GE status. Course used to have double GE status under quarters; was inadvertently not requested during conversion.
COMM	3442	SOC SCI-IND/GRP			Changed course number (from 2442) and added more in-depth material.

¹ Routine changes to courses (e.g., addition of campus of offering, correction of typos) are not included in this count.

DANCE	3402	CULT/IDEA	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Previously non-GE course was substantially changed (incl. course number change, from 4411) and double GE status was added
ENGLISH	2201	LIT	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Content reverting to pre-conversion format: "Medieval through 1800"
ENGLISH	2201H	LIT	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Content reverting to pre-conversion format: "Medieval through 1800"
ENGLISH	2290	LIT			Content reverting to pre-conversion format: "Colonial and US Literature to 1865"
ENGLISH	4567S	SERVICE LEARNING			Added GE status to previously non-GE course
ESCFE	1201	SOC DIV-US			Changed course listing from EDUPL
ESCFE	1202	SOC DIV-US			Changed course listing from EDUPL
ESCFE	2241	SOC SCI-IND/GRP			Changed course listing from EDUPL
ESEPHL	3410	CULT/IDEA			Changed course listing from EDUPL
GEOG	5200S	SERVICE LEARNING			Added GE status to previously non-GE course
GERMAN	1135	FOREIGN LANG			Changed course number (from 1035)
GERMAN	1145	FOREIGN LANG			Changed course number (from 1045)
GERMAN	3252	LIT	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Uncrosslisted from Yiddish 3399. This course will focus on "The Holocaust in German Literature and Film."
HISTART	2301	CULT/IDEA	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES	HIST STUDY	Changed course number (from 3301)
HISTART	3631	VPA	SOC DIV-US		Added double GE status to previously non-GE course
HISTORY	2251	HIST STUDY	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Added "DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES"
HISTORY	2280	HIST STUDY	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Added "DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES"
HISTORY	2375	HIST STUDY	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Added "DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES"

HISTORY	2550	HIST STUDY	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Added "DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES"
HISTORY	2641	HIST STUDY	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Changed course number (from 1681)
HISTORY	2642	HIST STUDY	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Changed course number (from 1682)
HISTORY	2650	HIST STUDY	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Added "DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES"
HISTORY	3014	HIST STUDY	SOC DIV-US		Added "SOC DIV-US"
HISTORY	3075	HIST STUDY	SOC DIV-US		Added "SOC DIV-US"
HISTORY	3106	HIST STUDY	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Added "DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES"
HISTORY	3216	HIST STUDY	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Changed course number (from 2212) and added "DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES"
HISTORY	3221	HIST STUDY	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Added "DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES"
HISTORY	3229	HIST STUDY	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Added "DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES"
HISTORY	3276	HIST STUDY			Changed course number (from 2260)
HISTORY	3281	HIST STUDY	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Added "DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES"
HISTORY	3282	HIST STUDY	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Added "DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES"
HISTORY	3375	HIST STUDY	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Added "DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES"
HISTORY	3570	HIST STUDY	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Added "DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES"
HISTORY	3580	HIST STUDY	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Added "DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES"
HISTORY	3715	HIST STUDY	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Added "DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES"
HTHRHSC	2530	CULT/IDEA			Changed course listing from ALLIMED
JAPANESE	2141	FOREIGN LANG			Added GE status to previously non-GE course
KNSISM	2210	HIST STUDY			Changed course listing from EDUPAES
KNSISM	2211	HIST STUDY			Changed course listing from EDUPAES
MATH	1074	QUAN-BAS COMP			No longer live course. Only for transfer students.
MATH	1534	QUAN-MATH/LA			No longer live course. Only for transfer students.

PSYCH	2367.01	WRIT-COMM 2	SOC SCI-IND/GRP		Changed course number (from 2367)
SOCIOL	2211S	SERVICE LEARNING			Added GE status to previously non-GE course
SOCIOL	2320	SOC SCI-HNER			Added GE status to previously non-GE course
SOCIOL	3380	SOC SCI-IND/GRP			Changed course number (from 2380)
WGSST	2750H	HIST STUDY	SOC DIV-US		Changed course number (from 3322H)
YIDDISH	3399	LIT	DIV-GLOBAL STUDIES		Uncrosslisted from German 3352. This course will focus on "The Holocaust in Yiddish and Ashkenazic Literature and Film."

Removal of University-wide GE Status: 9

Course Bulletin	Course Number	GE Categories		
ARCH	5610	VPA		
KOREAN	5405	VPA		
MATH	1125	QUAN-MATH/LA		
MATH	1126	QUAN-MATH/LA		
PSYCH	4597.02 (Renumbering to 5620 & loss of GE status)	CROSS-DISC SEM		
SOCWORK	3401	DATA ANLS		
SOCWORK	3401E	DATA ANLS		
SOCWORK	3402	DATA ANLS		
SOCWORK	3402E	DATA ANLS		

Non-General Education Courses**New Undergraduate Non-General Education Courses (approved by ASCC) and Graduate Courses (approved by ASC Graduate Curriculum Committee) ²: 48**

Course Bulletin	Catalog Number
ART	6018
CHEM	5450
CHINESE	5105.51
CHINESE	5106.51
CLAS	4301
COMM	6500
COMM	6701
CSTW	2094
CSTW	4157S
DANCE	5105
DANCE	5115
DANCE	5106
DANCE	5116
EALL	5310
ECON	4050H
EEOB	5890
EEOB	7890
EEOB	7891
EEOB	7892
FILMSTD	3660
FILMSTD	4640
FILMSTD	7001
GERMAN	6700
HISTART	4301
HISTART	8561
HISTORY	"Discovering Medieval Ireland" (Study Abroad)— offered under 3798
JAPANESE	5121
JAPANESE	5311.51
MICRBIO	5800
MOLGEN	4501
MOLGEN	5800
MUSIC	5415

² New course requests that do not need to be approved by faculty committee (e.g., creation of 4998 or 4999) are not included in this count.

POLITSC	4780
PSYCH	3551H
PSYCH	4509
PSYCH	5610
PSYCH	6700
PSYCH	6850
PSYCH	8192
QUECHUA	5505.01
SOCIOL	3200
SOCIOL	3210
SPANISH	4557.20
THEATRE	5741
THEATRE	5771.10
THEATRE	5921
THEATRE	5922S
THEATRE	5971

Changes to Existing Non-General Education Courses (approved by ASCC or ASC Graduate Curriculum Committee)³: 2

Course Bulletin	Course Number	Type of changes
MICRBIO	5169H	Adding option for distance education
MUSIC	2220	Reduction number of credit hours

One-Time Offerings: 27

Course Bulletin	Course Number	Group Studies	Flex	Off Campus	Study Tour
ANTHROP	5685			1	
ARABIC	1101.01		1		
ARABIC	1102.01		1		
ARABIC	1103.01		1		
ARABIC	2104		1		
ARTSSCI	2194	2			
ARTSSCI	5194	1			
ARTSSCI	8194	2			
BIOLOGY	4194	2			
CHINESE	4194	1			
COMPSTD	2194	1			

³ Routine changes to courses (e.g., addition of campus of offering, correction of typos) that do not need to be approved by faculty committee are not included in this count.

ECON	4194	1			
ECON	8194	1			
FILMSTD	4194	1			
FRENCH	2194	1			
GEOG	2194	1			
GEOG	4194	1			
HISTORY	3194	1			
MATH	4194	3			
PSYCH	3194	2			