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CEHD 981

Request ID: E-2018-FCS-130

College: E

Department: FCS

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Proposed effective term: 201940

Does course need General Education approval?: N

Will course be used in teacher education?: N

If 5000 level course, prerequisites apply to: U

Proposed course data:

Delete Course FCS 2560

Course Deletion selected, type: not required by others

1. Existing course prefix and number:

FCS 2560

A. Please choose Yes or No to indicate if this class is a Teacher Education class:

No

B. Please choose the applicable class level:

Undergraduate

C. Please respond Yes if this is a current general education course and/or a course being submitted for the new WMU Essential Studies program. Please respond No if it is neither.

No

D. Explain briefly and clearly the proposed improvement.

FCS 2560 is being replaced by FCS 2440.

E. Rationale. Give your reason(s) for the proposed improvement. (If your proposal includes prerequisites, justify those, too.).

The current curriculum has two materials courses, FCS 2540 and 2560. In order to reflect what our peer institutions are offering this type of course, we will be combining the two into one course, FCS 2440. This will free up some credit hours for other needed course instruction.

F. List the student learning outcomes for the proposed course or the revised or proposed major, minor, or concentration. These are the outcomes that the department will use for future assessments of the course or program.

The replacement course outlines the new learning outcomes.

G. Describe how this curriculum change is a response to student learning assessment outcomes that are part of a departmental or college assessment plan or informal assessment activities. Deleting this course and creating the new course is partially a response to the self-study process for re-accreditation and industry standards and peer institutions.

H. Effect on other colleges, departments or programs. If consultation with others is required, attach evidence of consultation and support. If objections have been raised, document the resolution. Demonstrate that the program you propose is not a duplication of an existing one.  
None

I. Effect on your department's programs. Show how the proposed change fits with other departmental offerings.

It frees up some credit hours to be used for new courses.

J. Effects on enrolled students: are program conflicts avoided? Will your proposal make it easier or harder for students to meet graduation requirements? Can students complete the program in a reasonable time? Show that you have considered scheduling needs and demands on students' time. If a required course will be offered during summer only, provide a rationale.

None

K. Student or external market demand. What is your anticipated student audience? What evidence of student or market demand or need exists? What is the estimated enrollment? What other factors make your proposal beneficial to students?

This program has had stable enrollment of 80-90 students per year for many years. Virtually all graduates obtain employment in the interior design profession. The deletion of this course and combining with another into a new course will benefit students by providing more relevant and current content that is utilized by practitioners.

L. Effects on resources. Explain how your proposal would affect department and University resources, including faculty, equipment, space, technology, and library holdings. Tell how you will staff additions to the program. If more advising will be needed, how will you provide for it? How often will course(s) be offered? What will be the initial one-time costs and the ongoing base-funding costs for the proposed program? (Attach additional pages, as necessary.)

None

M. With the change from General Education to WMU Essential Studies, this question is no longer used.

For courses requesting approval as a WMU Essential Studies course, a syllabus identifying the student learning outcomes and an action plan for assessing the student learning outcomes must be attached in the Banner Workflow system.

Not Applicable

N. (Undergraduate proposals only) Describe, in detail, how this curriculum change affects transfer articulation for Michigan community colleges. For course changes, include detail on necessary changes to transfer articulation from Michigan community college courses. For new majors or minors, describe transfer guidelines to be developed with Michigan community colleges. For revisions to majors or minors, describe necessary revisions to Michigan community college guidelines. Department chairs should seek assistance from college advising directors or from the admissions office in completing this section.

No affect

O. Current catalog copy:

NA. This is a course deletion.

P. Proposed catalog copy:

NA. This is a course deletion.

Department Curriculum Chair approver: Richard Zinser

Department Curriculum Chair comment:

Date: 11-MAR-2019

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Chair comment:

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