

New/Revised Course Proposal Form

- Prepare your proposal according to the following outline.
 - Attach a proposed syllabus and/or course guidelines that include a list of measurable student learning outcomes and how they will be assessed.
 - Have your proposal reviewed by the appropriate department and school/college committee.
 - Submit the signed proposal to the Office of Academic Affairs. All forms must be completed in full with appropriate signatures. You will be contacted by the Curriculum Committee Coordinator with a date and time to present the proposal.
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Form information:

1. Department: Communications and Journalism (SOC)

2. Program: Print Journalism

3. Course Information: New XXX Revised _____

JOUR / 2350 / Outdoor/Nature Journalism
Prefix Number Title

3 / JOUR 1030 or WRIT 2072 /Or Permission Of Instructor
Credit Hours Prerequisites

4. Catalog Description for the catalog: (This description should briefly describe the basic content of the course as it will be offered.)

"This course has a three-fold purpose: to acquaint student journalists and writers with the best works of those who have found inspiration from the outdoors; to familiarize student writers with journalism about the natural world and specific nature sites in Missouri and Midwest; to encourage developing outdoor/nature writers to experiment with expository and advocacy journalism."

5. May students repeat this course for credit? Yes No
If there are limits, please explain? _____

6. What is the Rationale for the new/revised course?

This course will be part of a new Outdoor/Environmental Journalism Certificate. The course offers a specialization in writing about nature and the outdoors for magazines, newspapers, blogs and Web sites. Writing assignments will focus on bluffs, rivers, streams, wetlands, springs, caves, as well as local, state and national park areas.

7. Should this new course be considered for General Education coding? Yes No

If yes, attach the Application for General Education Coding Form.

8. Staffing requirements:

a. Qualifications necessary:

Instructor should have an MA in journalism or related writing area as well as a track record in publishing quality outdoor and nature articles.

b. What staffing changes, if any, will be necessary to offer this additional course?

This course can be staffed with instructors from within the current department or through adjunct appointments when necessary.

9. When will this course be initiated? Spring 2011 How often will it be taught? Every other year What campus(es) are likely to offer this course? St. Louis

10. Does this course affect degree requirements in your, or any other department/program's major, emphasis, minor or certificate? Yes (New Emphasis)

If yes, please attach corrected catalog copy for approval, with the Deans of that School/College's approval.

11. List any existing University course(s), which are similar in title and/or subject matter and explain how this course differs. NA


12. Are University resources adequate to support this course? (Library holdings, space, specialized, equipment, etc.) Yes No

If not, what additions are necessary? _____

13. Will any course be dropped as a result of this new course? Yes No

If so, please list what course(s).

Endorsements and Approvals:



Petitioner

10/6/09

Date



Department/ Program Chairperson

11-9-09

Date



Dean of College/School

11-09-09

Date



12-7-09
