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Arts and Foundational Programs

CMNS 265-3-3 - Environmental Communication

New course:

Rationale:

Environmental Communications has been offered as CMNS 260 Special Topics for the last three years. Given the importance of the topic as an academic field of study, the number of times the Department of Communications has successfully offered this course and to accommodate student requests and interest, Environmental Communications needs its own course code.

Calendar description:

This course investigates the dominant critical perspectives that have contributed to the development of Environmental Communication as a field of study. The course explores the premise that th



Teaching and Learning Strategies

Classes incorporate a range of teaching and learning strategies including group discussions and presentations, in- class debates, and discussion of BTW*nBTng and learning strat

Environmental Issue Presentation (10%)

Students deliver a 10 minute oral presentation, with appropriate accompanying visuals (i.e. a PowerPoint or Prezi), on an environmental issue

Implementation date: July 2022

Cost: N/A

SOCI 271- 3-3 – Statistical Analysis in Sociology Course revision:

Description

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Contact Hours

Rationale:

The course will retain a value of 1 TLU with two hours of lecture and two lab hours each week. The lab will provide students with a dedicated classroom space with the purpose of applying statistical formulas and theoretical concepts to data analysis. It will also allow for increased personal attention and time with the professor. This is especially important as many students find statistics very challenging. Statistics is a unique course relative to other courses Arts students are accustomed to taking. The introduction of mathematical equations underpinned by theoretical concepts is often intimidating and stressful undertaking for students. We also know that our current SOCI 271 professor routinely attends student study groups outside of class in order to meet student needs in this course for more personal attention and time to apply formulas and interpret data.

Description:

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formerly SOCI 371 This course is an introduction to the logic and interpretations of elementary statistics in the social sciences, with special emphasis on problems unique to sociology. The calculation and interpretation of basic measures of central tendency, variability and association will be stressed. Problems of measurement, sampling, estimation, and inference are covered. (3,0,0)	Formerly SOCI 371. This course is an introduction to the logic and interpretations of elementary statistics in the social sciences, with special emphasis on problems unique to sociology. This course includes the application of statistical formulas, data analysis and interpretation. The calculation and interpretation of basic measures of central tendency, variability and association will bestressed. Problems of measurement, sampling, estimation, and inference are covered. (2,2,0)

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Adult Basic Education Program revision:

ABE Mathematics Courses Admission Prerequisites: Students must have completed the prerequisites for Math

AU English Courses Admission Prerequisites:

Students must have completed the prerequisites for English courses within the five years prior to the start date for the AU English course in which they wish to register. Any student not meeting this requirement will be required to write the AU English skills assessment. An interview may also be conducted to help determine the appropriate level.

Hours of Study: Both day and evening classes may be offered, Monday through Friday. Adult Academic and Career Preparation full-time students are those enrolled in three or more courses, or receiving 15 hours or more of instruction per week, or enrolled in atwo-month Spring or Summer semester course requiring 96 hours or more of instruction.

Course Advising: Before registration, prospective students are encouraged to discuss course and program plans with an advisor or instructor from the department. Appointments for course advising can be made by contacting the Advising office at each OC campus.

Semester Length: Semesters vary from four to five months, depending on centre. Summer semesters aretwo months.

Semester Start Dates:

Kelowna

September, January, May and July

Revelstoke

September and January

Penticton, Salmon Arm and Vernon

September, January and May

Implementation date: September 2021

Cost: N/A

Schedules

Items approved at the July 06, 2021 Operations Committee meeting

June 15, 2021

Okanagan College has English language requirements that require an applicant/student, including Canadian citizens, to demonstrate a command of the English language sufficient to meet the demands of classroom instruction and written assignments. Many applicants meet the requirements via previous secondary or post-secondary studies, such as English 12 or an academic first-year English course. Those who do not, usually test by one of the acceptable means outlined in the Calendar.

The acceptance of Duolingo was approved by Education Council on a temporary basis in spring 2020 and subsequently extended. Current acceptance ends with students applying to Winter 2022.

The Duolingo results can be used to satisfy the English language proficiency entrance requirements and for preliminary English Language placement. The minimum score accepted is

Office Administration

<u>2022</u> January 4 January 25

Classes resume Classes end