## UMBC UGC Change in Existing Course: PHIL 334: Asian Philosophy

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**COURSE INFORMATION:** (please provide all information in the "current" column, and only the information changing in the "proposed" column)

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change		current	proposed
	Course Number(s)	334	
	Formal Title	Asian Philosophy	
	Transcript Title (≤30c)		
	Recommended Course Preparation		
X□	Prerequisite NOTE: Unless otherwise indicated, a prerequisite is assumed to be passed with a "D" or better.	You must have taken (1) PHIL course and received a grade of "C" or better before taking this course	One course in Philosophy with a grade of C or better
	Credits	3	
	Repeatable?	☐ Yes X☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
	Max. Total Credits		Max. Total Credits: This should be equal to the number of credits for courses that cannot be repeated for credit. For courses that may be repeated for credit, enter the maximum total number of credits a student can receive from this course. E.g., enter 6 credits for a 3 credit course that may be taken a second time for credit, but not for a third time. Please note that this does NOT refer to how many times a class may be retaken for a higher grade.
	Grading Method(s)	☐ Reg (A-F) ☐ Audit ☐ Pass-Fail	Reg (A-F) Audit X Pass-Fail

## **CURRENT CATALOG DESCRIPTION:**

This course will consist of a critical survey of the major philosophical and spiritual traditions of India, China and Japan. The key concepts and principles of Hinduism, Jainism, Sikhism, Confucianism, Taoism, Buddhism, Zen Buddhism and Shintoism will be examined and discussed. Topics will include the difference in emphasis and approach between the philosophical thought of East and West, the conceptual relations between the various Asian traditions and the importance of the concept of enlightenment in Asian thought. Special attention will be given to the role that Asian philosophy has played in shaping Asian culture.

**PROPOSED CATALOG DESCRIPTION** (no longer than 75 words): leave blank if no changes are being proposed to the catalog description. NOTE: information about prerequisites should NOT appear in the catalog description.)

## **RATIONALE FOR CHANGE:**

We are making the wording for the prerequisites for all of our 300 level courses uniform.