

UMBC UGC Change in Existing Course: PHIL 380: Philosophy of Mind

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Proposed Effective Date: immediately

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

| change | | current | proposed |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Course Number(s) | 380 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Formal Title | Philosophy of Mind | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Transcript Title (≤30c) | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Recommended Course Preparation | | |
| X <input type="checkbox"/> | 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 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Credits | 3 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Repeatable? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> NoX | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 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. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Grading Method(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> Reg (A-F) <input type="checkbox"/> Audit <input type="checkbox"/> Pass-Fail | <input type="checkbox"/> Reg (A-F) <input type="checkbox"/> Audit <input type="checkbox"/> Pass-Fail |

CURRENT CATALOG DESCRIPTION:

A survey of central issues about the nature of mind and its relation to the physical world. Topics to be discussed may include: the nature of belief, intention, desire, action, emotion, pain; special problems raised by consciousness; competing conceptions of the relation between mental and physical states and events, the possibility of psychological laws, and how mental phenomena can play a casual/explanatory role in the physical world.

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.)

A survey of central issues about the nature of mind and its relation to the physical world. Topics to be discussed may include: the nature of belief, intention, desire, action, emotion, pain; special problems raised by consciousness; competing accounts of personal identity;

competing conceptions of the relation between mental and physical states and events, the possibility of psychological laws, and how mental phenomena can play a casual/explanatory role in the physical world.

RATIONALE FOR CHANGE:

We are making the wording for the prerequisites for all of our 300 level courses uniform. The proposed course description is identical except for the inclusion of “competing accounts of personal identity”.