## UMBC UGC Change in Existing Course: ECON 433 – Urban Economics

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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
	Course Number(s)	ECON 433	
$\boxtimes$	Formal Title	Urban Economics	Urban and Regional Economics
$\boxtimes$	Transcript Title (≤30c)	Urban Economics	Urban and Regional Economics
	Recommended Course Preparation		
	Prerequisite NOTE: Unless otherwise indicated, a prerequisite is assumed to be passed with a "D" or better.	You must have completed ECON 311 with a grade of "C" or better before taking this class.	
	Credits	3	
	Repeatable?	☐ Yes   No	☐ Yes ☐ No
	Max. Total Credits	3	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 Pass-Fail

## **CURRENT CATALOG DESCRIPTION:**

Analysis of the economic aspects of urban problems and of alternative public policy of local, state and federal government. Topics are government expenditure, location, tax theory and borrowing policy, employment, income, poverty and welfare, housing and urban renewal, environmental quality, transportation and public overhead capital, and public services.

**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.)

An economic analysis of the nature and development of urban areas is presented. Topics related to urban areas such as transportation, housing, and poverty, are discussed, as are policies related to these topics. The role of urban centers as part of a larger regional area, and regional economic development patterns may also be discussed.

## **RATIONALE FOR CHANGE:**

The course name and description changes more accurately describe of the course content.