UMBC UGC Change in Existing Course: AMST 410 - Seminar in U.S.

Social Structures

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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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	Course Number(s)	410	410
	Formal Title	Seminar in U.S. Social Structures	Seminar in U.S. Social Structures
	Transcript Title (≤30c)	Seminar in U.S. Social Structures	Seminar in U.S. Social Structures
X	Recommended Course Preparation	Six credits in American Studies courses, 3 at the upper-level, or permission of the instructor.	Six credits in American Studies courses, 3 at the upper-level
X	Prerequisite NOTE: Unless otherwise indicated, a prerequisite is assumed to be passed with a "D" or better.	You must complete AMST 300 with a C or better before taking this class.	None
	# of Credits Must adhere to the UMBC Credit Hour Policy	3	3
	Repeatable?	Yes No	Yes No

Max. Total Credits	3		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) Pass-Fail	Audit	Reg (A-F) Audit Pass-Fail

CURRENT CATALOG DESCRIPTION:

Advanced study of a specific problem in U.S. Social Structures, focusing on particular institutional structures and practices that shape and are shaped by the experiences of individuals and social groups in American society. A different topic will be announced each semester the course is offered. The seminar is designed to develop research and analytical skills specific to this area, and students will have the opportunity to do original research. This course is repeatable up to 6 credits or 2 attempts.

Course ID: 52173

Consent: No Special Consent Required

Components: Lecture

Topics: Jew Identity & US Hist, Black Hair/Body Politics, The Many Meanings of Meat, Race,

Profit, Masculinities & Birth of U.S. Empire

Requirement Group: You must complete AMST 300 with a C or better before taking this

class.

PROPOSED CATALOG DESCRIPTION (Approximately 75 words in length. Please use full sentences): leave blank if no changes are being proposed to the catalog description. NOTE: information about prerequisites should NOT appear in the catalog description.)

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RATIONALE FOR CHANGE:

We are removing the prerequisite requirement of AMST 300 for all Department of American Studies 400-level seminars. Requiring AMST 300 (a methods course primarily for AMST majors) limits access to students from other departments or programs adding AMST 400-level seminars, like AMST 410, without instructor permission.