**UMBC UGC Change in Existing Course: ANTH 402H - Honors Thesis Research**

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Proposed Effective Date: Fall 2020

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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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<td>✗ Prerequisite NOTE: Unless otherwise indicated, a prerequisite is assumed to be passed with a &quot;D&quot; or better.</td>
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<td>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., 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 repeated for a higher grade.</td>
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**CURRENT CATALOG DESCRIPTION:**

This course is a continuation of ANTH 401H. This course is repeatable.

**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.)

This course is the second in a two-course individual study sequence, which begins with ANTH 491H. Together, these courses lead towards fulfilling the requirements of the departmental Honors Program in Anthropology. During this sequence, the student completes an original research project leading to an Honors Thesis under the supervision of two full-time faculty members in the department who serve as the Honors Committee.

**RATIONALE FOR CHANGE:**

Course Number: We recently became aware that this course number is the same number (ANTH 402H) as one cross-listed course with MLL as Ethnography of Communication. We are therefore asking to change this course number.

Course Title: We are proposing the update in order to clarify that this is a two-part sequence.

Prerequisites: We are raising the grade required in the first part of the two-course sequence to a B to ensure that students are prepared to continue this independent research project.
**Grading Method:** We are not sure what grading methods were allowed before, but this should only be Regular Grading (A-F) since this course would only be used to meet the requirement for the departmental Honors Program.

**Course Description:** We are updating the course description to provide more information about this course.
I think this will do it -- thank you!!

On Fri, Feb 7, 2020 at 11:47 AM Jodi Kelber-kaye <jodik@umbc.edu> wrote:
I looked. We’re ok with both of these courses. You don’t need to write the bit about fulfilling Honors requirements in the course description because our students know that departmental honors courses count toward their certificate.

Can this be our email if approval or do you need a more official one?

On Fri, Feb 7, 2020, 11:31 AM Bambi Chapin <bchapin@umbc.edu> wrote:
You are an angel!!

On Fri, Feb 7, 2020 at 11:30 AM Jodi Kelber-kaye <jodik@umbc.edu> wrote:
Hey, I'm in meetings until 3:30 so can't look until then. But that can be the first thing I do when I get back.

On Fri, Feb 7, 2020, 11:27 AM Bambi Chapin <bchapin@umbc.edu> wrote:
Hi, Jodi -- I just realized yesterday that TODAY is the last day to get forms in to UGC to be approved for the fall. The course we need to update is an "H" course, so I wanted to see if you could...

1) look at these to make sure you are okay with these changes, considering that they are "H" designated courses.

2) look specifically at the note I have added to the description, saying:
   Note: this course may be used towards to Honors College requirements.
   Is this correct? Is it necessary?

3) If this is all okay, could you send me an email back saying you support these changes?

If you can’t get to this by today, I will go ahead and submit these and then update them as necessary, but at least they will be in the queue!

Thank you,
Bambi

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