

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

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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
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Course Number(s)	ANTH 402H	ANTH 492H
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Formal Title	Honors Thesis Research	Honors Thesis Research II
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Transcript Title (≤30c)	Honors Thesis Research	Honors Thesis Research II
<input type="checkbox"/>	Recommended Course Preparation		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Prerequisite NOTE: Unless otherwise indicated, a prerequisite is assumed to be passed with a "D" or better.	You must complete Anthropology 401H with a minimum grade of C.	You must complete Anthropology 491H with a minimum grade of B.
<input type="checkbox"/>	# of Credits Must adhere to the UMBC Credit Hour Policy	3	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Repeatable?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	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.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Grading Method(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Reg (A-F) <input type="checkbox"/> Audit <input type="checkbox"/> Pass-Fail	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reg (A-F) <input type="checkbox"/> Audit <input type="checkbox"/> Pass-Fail

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, and we are updating the number for the first part of the sequence from 401H to what is now 491H.

Repeatability: The previous description indicated that this course is repeatable for credit, which it should not be.

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.