

Supplemental Course Descriptions for Fall-2015

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ANTH - ANTHROPOLOGY

ANTH 230-10 PEOPLES OF THE WORLD

Engages students in shared, face-to-face cultural explorations in which American and International students join in mutual learning about cultural differences and similarities as young, privileged, and connected citizens of today's globalized world.

ARTH - Art History

ARTH 199-10 THE AGE OF MICHELANGELO

Explores the art and life of one of the greatest artists of all times: Michelangelo Buonarroti. Examines masterpieces such as David and the Sistine Chapel ceiling paintings, but also the works of predecessors, contemporaries and followers: Donatello, Leonardo da Vinci and Raphael, among others.

ARTH 321-10 ROME AND ROMAN LANDSCAPES

Ancient Roman literature, archaeology, and art provide the means for exploring how Romans navigated the natural environment. Topics include villas, gardens, fountains, aqueducts, and depictions of the natural world in ancient Rome and Pompeii.

ARTH 420-10 ART HISTORY CENTRAL AFRICAN STYLE

Explores the art and architecture of the Kongo, Kuba and Luba kingdoms (among others), as well as their effects in diaspora. Themes include: African Christianities, oral tradition and art history, fetishism as an idea, and Kongo in the early Americas.

ARTH 435-10 PUBLIC ART: MAPPING THE LOCAL

Considers what makes art "public"; How the presence, movement, and loss of art in public spaces helps shape human experiences of place and community. Applies critical theories of public art to map and research Newark sculpture, murals, and monuments, and produce an interactive online resource.

ARTH 440-10, 80 EXHIBITING INDIGENOUS CULTURES: THE ESE'EJA, THE TRUE PEOPLE

Examines diverse museum exhibits featuring indigenous cultures of the Americas, in order to determine the most effective strategies to display the Ese'Eja culture, a hunting-gathering-fishing community from the Peruvian Amazons.

ARTH 616-10 CARAVAGGIO

Critical readings of recent Caravaggio scholarship. Topics include: self-fashioning; rejected altarpieces; new technical studies; the polemic of Caravaggio; scandals, lawsuits and the new attributionism; the question of autograph replicas; the late period; Caravaggio in popular culture.

ARTH 621-10 LATE NINETEENTH-CENTURY PARIS: STUDIES IN NINETEENTH-CENTURY ART

Art and visual culture in Paris, 1860s to 1880s, considering new histories and theories. Studies issues of politics, economy, medium, perception, and artistic innovation. Includes visits to current museum exhibitions in Philadelphia (Durand-Ruel) and Washington (Caillebotte).

ARTH 635-10 ART AND DESTRUCTION

Considers why people destroy art; How destruction remakes place and creates new art forms; How it is represented in visual media. Explores issues and practices of iconoclasm, negation, ritual, reuse, reenactment, and material agency in the circum-Atlantic history of early modern cultures.

ARTH 636-10 ECOLOGY AND MATERIAL AGENCY

Explores intersections between ecocriticism, theories of material agency, and art history. Readings include interdisciplinary theoretical texts, American and transnational exhibitions and artworks, and feminist, indigenous, and postcolonial perspectives.

BHAN - Behavioral Health & Nutrition**BHAN 267-10 YOGA FOR WELLNESS**

Gain experiential knowledge using the wellness practices of yoga to improve the quality of life through mind-body-spirit connection. Includes self-discovery and realization, group discussion, physical asana (poses) practice, pranayama (breathing) techniques and meditation.

BHAN 667-50 TRENDS & BEST PRACTICES IN PUBLIC HEALTH

Focuses on understanding the barriers and challenges faced in public health; what can be done to make public health more effective in promoting health and preventing disease. Introduces new paradigms as well as challenges to conventional wisdom and current practices .

BISC – Biological Sciences**BISC 400-11 A CASE OF INFECTION**

Introduces students to microbial infections using the technique of “problem-based learning’. Groups of students will work to solve real life problems.

BMSC – BioMECHANICS & Movement Science**BMSC 667-11 COMPUTATIONAL TOOLS FOR BIOMECHANICS**

Introduces students to tools commonly used in biomechanics research, including Visual3D, MatLAB and OpenSim. Includes model building, event identification and metric quantification, kinematic and kinetic data extraction, scripting, data aggregation and file management.

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CHIN - Chinese

CHIN 467-10 READINGS IN CHINESE LITERATURE

This course is Part One in the CHIN 467 series. It helps students obtain an advanced ability to read Chinese cultural and literary texts, and acquaint them with a basic knowledge of Chinese literary writing.

CIEG - Civil & Environmental Engineering

CIEG 467-12 PRINCIPLES OF CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

Includes a study of management techniques to solve the unique problems associated with large scale infrastructure construction projects. Emphasizes the management of manpower, materials, money and machinery.

CIEG 467-15 COOPERATIVE EDUCATION EXPERIENCE

Enables students to benefit from career-related experience by developing skills to analyze/reflect on co-op. Activities include skill development, written assignments, oral assignments, and blog/poll participation to help students maximize experiences and apply insights to career development.

CIEG 467-21 TRAFFIC ENGINEERING & MODELING

Applying key traffic flow concepts to traffic engineering analyses utilizing industry-standard software. Focus on the skills needed to plan, execute, and document traffic studies, and the application of concepts to improve the accuracy of the traffic modeling software.

CIEG 667-10 ADVANCED STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS

Intro to various methods of analysis of statically indeterminate structures. Force methods, displacement methods discussed: method of consistent distortions, equation of three moments, slope deflection, moment distribution. Approximate methods of analysis considered: portal and cantilever.

CIEG 667-11 TRANSPORTATION SUSTAINABILITY

Transportation sustainability from engineering, planning, policy instructors. Sustainability understood and enhanced for wide range of transportation topics using key tools, models, methods, best practices. Develop familiarity and facility with practices across disciplines.

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CISC – Computer & Information Sciences

CISC 849-10 FINANCIAL SERVICES ANALYTICS

Course for the Graduate Interdisciplinary Program in the Financial Services Analytics PhD program under the Institute for Financial Services Analytics.

COMM - Communication**COMM 418-10 SPORTS AND THE MEDIA**

Seminar exploring the relationships that exist between sports and the media (primarily television), including the ways in which sports influence media and the ways media influence college & professional sports.

COMM 418-11 POLITICS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Examines trends in politics and entertainment in television, its causes and effects, and explores the psychological mechanisms involved in processing such content. Critically examines the normative implications for citizenship and the healthy functioning of a democracy.

COMM 447-10, 80 RACE IN AMERICA

Part of a larger campus dialogue on "Race in America." Explores current issues surrounding race, and includes speakers from a wide variety of backgrounds.

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Concentrated study on selected areas in Financial Services Analytics.

CISC 889-10 EMPIRICAL METHODS FOR CS

Explores how to do experimental computer science research. Data analysis, hypothesis generation, experimental design, statistical analysis. Reading and discussing papers in all disciplines of CS.

CPEG - Computer Engineering**CPEG 867-10 LINUX ARCHITECTURE AND DRIVERS AND VERSION CONTROL**

Configure, compile, and test a Linux driver. Introduction to the Linux architecture and experience with its use and basic administration. Covers the philosophy of version control systems and their use.

CRJU - Criminal Justice

CRJU 467-11 SENTENCING POLICY AND PRACTICE

Explores criminal sentencing practices through history, the origins of current sentencing practices in the United States, and the constitutional constraints on sentencing. Experience the sentencing process, the development of sentencing policy, the creation of sentencing law, and the effects of sentencing policy on defendants. Includes required out of class learning experiences.

DISA - Disability Studies

DISA 367-10 DISASTERS IN FILMS

Considers disaster as represented in film and in various media. Emphasis on understanding how portrayals of disasters often depart from scientific understanding. Evaluates how depictions of disasters shape public and official awareness of the causes, management of, and recovery from disaster.

ELEG - Electrical Engineering

ELEG 467-10 GREEN'S FUNCTIONS

Green's functions are important in theoretical physics and engineering for formulating integral equations, and for solving partial differential equations both exactly and approximately. Covers spatial and spectral Green's function methods for equations useful throughout physics.

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ELEG 867-10 COMPRESSED SENSING AND CODING FOR NETWORKS

Introduces new developments in the areas of communications and signal processing. Focuses on compressed sensing and its extensions, as well as on coding in networks, studying the interactions between these two topics.

ELEG 867-11 RF ELECTRONICS I

Passive circuit elements at radio frequencies: resistors, capacitors, and inductors. Resonant circuits, RF filter analysis and design. Wave propagation on transmission lines, passive impedance transformations, impedance matching, Smith chart. Students are expected to have studied electromagnetics and electric-circuit analysis at the undergraduate level.

ENEP - Energy & Environmental Policy

ENEP 267-10, 80 SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY FOR A BETTER WORLD

Scientists, engineers, philosophers and historians from across campus discuss using science and technology to make a better world.

FLLT - Foreign Languages & Literature

FLLT 367-70 JAPANESE VISUAL CULTURE

Designed as survey of important examples of Japanese comic and animation art. Examines significant examples of art in print and on screen. Includes the national/global impact and considers Japanese perspective on how cartoons have come to affect the way the whole world's media now looks at 'cartoons & comics'.

FREN - French

FREN 367-73 FRENCH PAINTING FROM NEO-CLASSICISM TO FAUVISM

Study of the evolution of French painting in the 18th and 19th centuries, neo-classicism to fauvism, by means of methodical analysis of major works, individual student presentations, and museum visits. Oral exchange about the course material enhances fluency.

FREN 367-71 PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATIONS

Communication in French in a professional environment, with particular focus on how to carry out common professional written tasks, such as writing emails, and oral tasks such as public speaking

FREN 367-72 RELIGION AND SOCIETY IN FRANCE

This course presents the history of religion and secularism in France, from the creation of the 'Catholic Kingdom' to present-day issues, such as the separation of church and state and recent challenges to the principle of secularism.

FREN 467-71 FRENCH SOCIETY: ADMINISTRATION & ORGANIZATION

Discover how life in France is organized through the major themes of society (history, daily life, current issues) and political institutions, for example by visiting key locations in operation in the country (the Court of Justice)

FSAN – Financial Services Analytics

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GEOL – Geological Sciences

GEOL 467-10 GEOMICROBIOLOGY PROBLEMS

Problems based on field work and pre-existing geomicrobial and geochemical data from Christina Creek and Cape Henlopen, DE.

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HIST - History

HIST 167-71 HISTORY OF MODERN JAPAN

Explore Japanese history from the Meiji Restoration until the present through lectures and in-class discussions. Focuses on how Japan became a modern nation and the only non-Western major power in the pre-WW II period, and how Japan revived from the ashes in the postwar period.

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HIST 365-10 JAPAN'S WORLD WAR II

Examines World War II through the lens of Japanese analysts and observers and moves beyond "us vs. them" dichotomies to explore world historical themes such as militarism, nationalism, imperialism, total war, and racism.

HDFS - Human Dvlpmnt & Family Studies**HDFS 167-10 SCHOLARS SEMINAR**

Designed to reinforce the core values, theory and applied research upon which the UD Scholars program is founded. Allows students to reflect upon the relationship between the ongoing first semester experience and the core values of the program.

HDFS 167-11 SPECIAL OLYMPICS RELATIONSHIP EXPERIENCE (SORE)

Designed to promote diversity by understanding and appreciating differences through real life experiences. Provides students with the opportunity to both learn about and work one-on-one with people with Intellectual Disabilities.

HDFS 667-12 PERSPECTIVES ON ADOLESCENCE AND EMERGING ADULTS

Adolescence is a dynamic, developmental period marked by multiple changes and new challenges for youth. Closely examine approaches to conceptualizing, theorizing, studying, assessing, and treating problems that arise within this period.

JAPN - Japanese**JAPN 367-70 INTERMEDIATE JAPANESE**

Emphasises overall Japanese language skills, but mostly reading and writing at the intermediate level. Coreq: JAPN306

JAPN 467-71 ENGLISH JAPANESE TRANSLATION

Requires students to translate mainly from English to Japanese and understand the difference between the two languages.

JAPN 467-93 WRITING

Designed for students who have advanced level proficiency in Japanese and want to improve their writing skills. Focuses on the development of academic writing skills. Learn basic rules and styles for academic paper writing and write papers on a wide range of topics.

JAPN 467-70 ADVANCED JAPANESE

For advanced students. Focuses on all four language skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing through TV, movies, newspapers, and other authentic materials. Co-req: JAPN455.

JAPN 467-91 SEM: INTERMEDIATE JAPANESE

Designed to improve overall Japanese proficiency in the four language skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing, with primary emphasis on reading. Coreq: JAPN455

JAPN 467-72 SEM: HIGHER INTERMEDIATE JAPANESE

Focuses on the development of all four skills; reading, writing, speaking and listening, emphasis will be placed on reading comprehension.

JAPN 467-73 JAPANESE-CHINESE TRANSLATION

For Chinese speakers who have an advance level of Japanese language skill. Investigate the differences and contrasts between Japanese-Chinese languages. Using practical material, explains which translation is most appropriate for transmitting information.

JAPN 467-74 KANJI CONSOLIDATION

Aimed mainly for students whose first language makes use of Chinese characters (but not exclusively), or those who have built reasonable foundation of Kanji to learn effectively in intermediate level. Provides opportunities to learn and review Kanji introduced in elementary level classes.

JAPN 467-75 KANJI FOUNDATION

Aimed mainly for students whose first language DOES NOT make use of Chinese characters (but not exclusively), or those who have not yet built reasonable foundation of Kanji to learn effectively in Intermediate level. Provides opportunities to learn and review kanji introduced in elementary level classes.

JAPN 467-77 PRONUNCIATION

Improves accuracy of pronunciation and fluency in conversational Japanese. Course conducted in Japanese.

JAPN 467-78 READING COMPREHENSION I

Features practice reading pre-intermediate and intermediate level materials about Japanese culture and society. Co-req: JAPN306 and JAPN367

JAPN 467-90 READING COMPREHENSION III

Features practice reading pre-advanced level materials about Japanese culture and society. Co-req: JAPN455 and JAPN467

JAPN 467-79 READING IN COMPREHENSION II

Features practice reading intermediate level materials about Japanese culture and society. Coreq: JAPN401 and JAPN405.

JAPN 467-92 SPEAKING

Practice how to choose appropriate speech styles in different situations.

MISY - Management Information Systems

MISY 267-11 FOUNDATIONS OF BUSINESS ANALYTICS

Introduction of the basic tools and methods of data analytics for business. Topics include inferential statistics, predictive models, business processes, and methods of presenting results. Prereq: MATH201.

MAST - Marine Studies

MAST 667-12 ADVANCED COASTAL MAPPING

Explores the use and application of advanced coastal mapping techniques. Emphasizes a soup to nuts approach encompassing examination of instrumentation, theory, data analysis and interpretation.

MCST - Material Culture Studies

MCST 299-10 THE MATERIAL CULTURE OF LIGHT

Surveys a broad range of recent advances in lighting technologies and the social issues they bear on as a means to present new problems and opportunities for a wide range of scientific and artistic pursuits, as well as for the character and functioning of the towns and cities we live in.

MEEG – Mechanical Engineering

MEEG 467-22 THE MAKERSERIES

Introduces a variety of physical and digital making techniques and tools, from welding to digital photography.

MSEG - Material Science Engineering

MSEG 267-10, 80 SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY FOR A BETTER WORLD

Scientists, engineers, philosophers and historians from across campus discuss using science and technology to make a better world.

NSCI - Neuroscience

NSCI 467-10 PSYCHOLOGY OF DECISION MAKING

A survey of psychological theory and research about how people make choices, with an emphasis on decision-making under uncertainty. Coverage includes learning from reward and punishment, risk, ambiguity, games and social decision-making, and the neural basis of decision-making.

NTDT - Nutrition & Dietetics

NTDT 467-10 NUTRITION PEER MENTORING

Focus on developing skills in academic advising/mentoring for peers. Experiences under supervision of nutrition faculty member.

PHIL - Philosophy

PHIL 465-10 GEOMETRY, ONTOLOGY, AND SPACETIME

Explores topics in the metaphysics of space and time. Why time has a direction; If spacetime is a kind of substance or if it is constituted by relations between material bodies; What it means to ascribe a geometry to spacetime; How we know what this structure is.

PHYS - Physics & Astronomy

PHYS 167-10 DISCOVERING & DELETING PLANETS

Discover new dwarf planets orbiting the Sun and new exoplanets orbiting other stars. Use Systemic, a software package developed by professional astronomers, to measure the orbits of exoplanets. Includes a trip to Mt. Cuba Observatory to visit the planetarium and view planets and moons through a telescope.

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PHYS 838-10 MICROMAGNETIC SIMULATIONS & SPIN WAVES OF FINITE SYSTEMS

Considers the physics of different micromagnetic behavior. Discusses different numerical approaches to calculate the properties of systems.

PLSC - Plant & Soil Science

PLSC 167-11 GROWING YOUR OWN FOOD

Basics of growing your own vegetables, fruits, herbs, grains & other edible plants with focus on Mid-Atlantic reg. Work together to grow a garden plot. Special topics include preserving the harvest, processing & cooking what you grow, community gardens, small scale animal production.

PLSC 167-10 SOILS AND CIVILIZATION

Basic intro to soil resources. Historical examples of the critical role of soils & associated water resources on the sustainability of human civilization. Viability of present-day societies in relation to their stewardship of soils will be emphasized.

PLSC 167-12 UNDERSTANDING DELAWARE AGRICULTURE

Overview of DE agriculture. Includes diversified Delaware Ag industries, food supply, security, state government, social media, & the impact of technology. Through field trips, students receive career focused "hands-on" experiences in Ag equipment operations & interact w/unique Ag industries.

PLSC 267-10 HISTORY OF PLANT BREEDING

Exploration of plant improvement encompassing domestication through genetic engineering with focus on food crops. Centered on class readings & discussion. Also, through individual & group problem solving & research, investigate current as well as emerging issues.

PLSC 367-10 CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACTS

Impacts of climate change and variability on natural and managed ecosystems. Challenges for water resources, forests, ecosystem health and biodiversity, crops and food production, and urban landscapes and human health will be evaluated. Prereq: GEOG 152 or CHEM 103 or CHEM 104.

PLSC 467-11 URBAN ECOLOGY

An introduction to urban ecology, applying ecological principles to urban ecosystems. Investigate biophysical and social factors that affect plants and soils in urban landscapes. Prereq: ANFS300

PLSC 667-12 FIELD METHODS-SOIL-AIR-WATER

Explores principles of field-sampling enviro media (soil,water,air,plants), sample preservation, analytical techniques & instrumentation. Data quality assurance/quality control, analyses, interpretation, & communication are discussed. Track bio-physico-chem processes. Hands-on and outdoor lecturing

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POSC - Political Science

POSC 447-10, 80 RACE IN AMERICA

Part of a larger campus dialogue on "Race in America." Explores current issues surrounding race, and includes speakers from a wide variety of backgrounds.

PSYC - Psychological & Brain Sciences

PSYC 467-12 CHILD MALTREATMENT

Involves a scientific approach to the study of child maltreatment. Examines causes and consequences of child maltreatment, and assess the evidence-base for prevention and intervention strategies.

PSYC 467-10 PSYCHOLOGY OF DECISION MAKING

Surveys psychological theory and research about how people make choices, with an emphasis on decision-making under uncertainty. Includes learning from reward and punishment, risk, ambiguity, games and social decision-making, and the neural basis of decision-making.

SOCI - Sociology

SOCI 667-10 SOCIOLOGY OF THE BODY

Examines the body as a product of complex social processes. Drawing from an interdisciplinary literature and a range of theoretical traditions, we will consider how the body is constituted by various cultural discourses including race, class, gender, sexuality, medicine, and normality.

SOCI 667-11 SOCIOLOGY OF HEALTH & ILLNESS

Presents a substantive overview of medical sociology including determinants of health, the structure and organization of healthcare, roles & experiences of healthcare workers & patients, socio-cultural understandings of disease, medicalization of social problems, & the health professions

SPAN - Spanish

SPAN 467-70 ENGLISH-SPANISH TRANSLATION I

Deals with the new approaches to language learning that view the activities of translation and interpreting as a tool for the development of communicative ability and mediation skills.

SPAN 467-75 SPEAKING & WRITING SKILLS 7&8

Aims to be of fundamental linguistic support in difficult areas the student may have at this level. Enables the student to understand and express him/her in a variety of unfamiliar situations, and which require exchanging informational and personal opinions using complex linguistic structures.

SPAN 367-70 SPEAKING & WRITING SKILLS 5&6

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SPAN 467-71 APPLIED LINGUISTICS IN SPANISH EDUCATION

The study of language and principles of Spanish linguistics for Spanish educators.

SPAN 467-74 SPANISH GRAMMAR (SUPERIOR LEV)

Includes the main points of those remaining difficulties which a student may encounter in the latter part of an advanced learning phase and the best way to solve them, within a pragmatic tone.

UAPP - Urban Affairs & Public Pol/Administratn

UAPP 301-10 DISASTERS IN FILMS

Considers disaster as represented in film and in various media. Emphasis on understanding how portrayals of disasters often depart from scientific understanding. Evaluates how depictions of disasters shape public and official awareness of the causes, management of, and recovery from disaster.

UAPP 667-11 POLICY MANAGEMENT IN SEOUL

Examines Seoul, South Korea as a case study in the governance and public-service management of global mega-cities in the 21st century. Includes a mandatory 10-day field trip to Seoul, under the auspices of the Seoul Metropolitan.