Agenda
Campus Curricula Committee Meeting
March 2, 2010 Meeting
3:15 p.m. Room 117 Fulton Hall

Approval of February 2, 2010 minutes.

Review of submitted CC forms:
CC 7923, Computer Engineering 342, Real-Time Digital Signal Processing, effective Fall 2010.

CC 7926, Mining Engineering 407, Theory of High Explosives, effective Fall 2010.

CC 7927, Mining Engineering 351, Demolition of Building and Structures, effective 2010.

CC 7928, Mining Engineering 307, Principles of Explosives Engineering, effective Fall 2010.

CC 7929, Mining Engineering 305, Explosives Handling & Safety, effective Fall 2010.

CC 7930, Mining Engineering 110, Surveying for Mineral Engineers, effective Fall 2010.

CC 7931, Mining Engineering 350, Blasting Design and Technology, effective Fall 2010.

CC 7932, Mining Engineering 406, Scientific Instrumentation for Explosives Testing and Blasting, effective Fall 2010.

CC 7933, Mining Engineering 402, Environmental Control of Blasting, effective Fall 2010.

CC 7934, Mining Engineering 310, Stage pyrotechnics and Special Effects, effective Fall 2010.

CC 7937, English 379, Southern Culture, effective Fall 2010.

CC 7939, Technical Communication 409, Web-Based Communication, effective Spring 2011.

CC 7967, ERP 345, Use of Business Intelligence, effective Fall 2010.
CC 7968, ERP 448, Enterprise Performance Management System Prototyping, effective Fall 2010.

**Review of submitted EC forms:**
EC 2231, Electrical Engineering 301, Introduction to Radar Systems, effective Fall 2010.

EC 2233, Mining Engineering 401, Ventilation and Mine Fire Simulation, effective Fall 2010.

EC 2235, Civil Engineering 301, Advanced Traffic Signal Operations, effective Fall 2010.

EC 2236, Technical Communication 201, Technical Presentations, effective Fall 2010.

EC 2237, Technical Communication 301, Usability Studies, effective Fall 2010.

EC 2239, ERP 301, Enterprise Portal Application Development, effective Spring 2011.
Course Change Form (CC)

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Course Changes (Check all changes.)
- New Course
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- Credit Hours
- Prerequisites
- Course Title
- Catalog Description
- Course Number
- Co-listing

Course Information (1-9 Must Be Completed. Leave "Proposed" items blank if no change is being made.)

1. Department:

2. Discipline and Course Number: Present: CPE 342
   Proposed:

3. Course Title: Present: Real-Time Digital Signal Processing
   Proposed:

   Abbreviated Course Title:
   (24 Spaces or Less. Only needed for New Courses or Title Changes.)

4. Catalog Description (300 Character Spaces or Less.)
   Present: Introduction to the use of programmable DSP chips. Includes real-time data acquisition, signal generation, interrupt-driven programs, high-level language, and assembly level routines. Applications to real-time systems are also presented.
   Proposed:

5. If course requires field trip check box:

6. Credit Hours:
   Present: 2
   Proposed: 2

7. Prerequisites:
   Present: CPE 213 & EE 267
   Proposed: EE 215 or EE 267

8. Required for Majors: ☐
   Elective for Majors: ☑

9. Justification: The course EE 267 is replaced by EE 215 in the EE and CPE curricula. The reason for dropping CPE 213 is that no assembly language is needed in CPE 342 now.

10. Semesters previously offered as an experimental course (101, 201, 301, 401):

11. List all co-listed courses, initiated by Dept. Chair, if signature does not appear below.
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Recommended by Department: [Signature]
Recommended by Discipline Specific Curricula Committee: [Signature]
Approved by Curricula Committee: [Signature]
Approved by Faculty Senate: [Signature]

Date: 12/24/2009
Date: 1-17-10
Date: 1-17-10
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[Revised 1/29/09]
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Course Changes (Check all changes.)

New Course ☐ Course Deletion ☐ Credit Hours ☐ Prerequisites ☐
Course Title ☐ Catalog Description ☒ Course Number ☐ Co-listing ☐

Course Information (1-9 Must Be Completed. Leave "Proposed" items blank if no change is being made.)

1. Department: Mining and Nuclear Engineering

2. Discipline and Course Number: Present: MiEng 407 Proposed: MiEng 407

3. Course Title: Present: Theory of High Explosives Proposed:

Abbreviated Course Title:

(24 Spaces or Less. Only needed for New Courses or Title Changes.)

4. Catalog Description (40 Words or Less)

Present: Study of the application of chemical thermodynamics and the hydrodynamic theory to determine the properties of high explosives; application of detonation theory to steady-state detonations in real explosives; application of the above to the blasting action of explosives.

Proposed:

5. If course requires field trip check box: ☐

6. Credit Hours:

Present: Lecture: 3 Lab: Total: 3

Proposed: Lecture: 3 Lab: Total: 3

7. Prerequisites:

Present: MiEng 307

Proposed: MiEng 307. Successful background check.

8. Required for Majors: ☐ Elective for Majors: ☒

9. Justification: To verify compliance of students with safe explosives act of 2003. Increase protection of university by bringing in line with non ATF exempt institutions (S&T is exempt under political subdivision exemption to federal law)

10. Semesters previously offered as an experimental course (101, 201, 301, 401):

11. List all co-listed courses, Initiated by Dept. Chair, if signature does not appear below.

1) 2) 3)

4) 5) 6) Date: 12/20/05

Recommended by Department

(Chair signature)

Recommended by Discipline Specific Curricula Committee

(Chair signature) Date: 1/18/06

Approved by Curricula Committee:

(Chair signature) Date:

Approved by Faculty Senate:

(Chair signature) Date:

12/17/05
Effective Term: SP2011

Course Change Form (CC)

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Course Changes (Check all changes.)
New Course ☐ Course Deletion ☐ Credit Hours ☐ Prerequisites ☒
Course Title ☐ Catalog Description ☐ Course Number ☐ Co-listing ☐

Course Information (1-9 Must Be Completed. Leave "Proposed" items blank if no change is being made.)
1. School/College:
   Department: Mining & Nuclear Engineering
2. Discipline and Course Number: Present: 351 Proposed:
3. Course Title: Present: Demolition of Building and Structures Proposed:
   Abbreviated Course Title:
   (24 Spaces or Less. Only needed for New Courses or Title Changes.)
4. Catalog Description (40 Words or Less)
   Present:
   Proposed:
5. Credit Hours:
   Present: Lecture: 2.0 Lab: 1.0 Total: 3.0 Proposed:
   Lecture:
   Lab:
   Total:
6. Prerequisites:
   Present: Coreq: IDE 50 or 140, and IDE 110 or Min Eng 232, plus US citizen or permanent resident. *Requirement due to Safe Explosives Act - January 2003 Proposed: Coreq: IDE 50 or 140, and IDE 110 or Min Eng 232, plus US citizen or permanent resident. Successful background check.
7. Required for Majors: ☐ Elective for Majors: ☒
8. Justification: To verify compliance of student with safe explosives act of 2003. Increase protection of university by bringing in line with non ATF exempt institutions (S&T is exempt under political subdivision exemption to federal law)
9. Semesters previously offered as an experimental course (101, 201, 301, 401):
10. List all co-listed courses, initialed by Dept. Chair(s) and Dean(s) if signatures do not appear below. 1) 4) 2) 5) 3) Recommended by Department [Signature]
    (Chair signature) Date: 12/20/09
    Recommended by School/College: [Signature]
    (Dean signature) Date: 1/18/10
    Recommended by UMR Curricula Committee:
    (Chair signature) Date: (Action) Recommended by Academic Council:
    (Chair signature) Date: (Action) (Revised 2/14/02)
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Course Changes (Check all changes.)
New Course ☐ Course Deletion ☐ Credit Hours ☐ Prerequisites ☒
Course Title ☐ Catalog Description ☐ Course Number ☐ Co-listing ☐

Course Information (1-9 Must Be Completed. Leave "Proposed" items blank if no change is being made.)

1. School/College: SoMEER
   Department: Mining Engineering

2. Discipline and Course Number: Present: 507
   Proposed:

3. Course Title: Present: Principles of Explosives Engineering
   Proposed: same
   Abbreviated Course Title: (24 Spaces or Less. Only needed for New Courses or Title Changes.)

4. Catalog Description (40 Words or Less)
   Present: Theory and application of explosives in the mining industry; explosives, initiating systems, characteristics of explosive reactions and rock breakage, fundamentals of blast design, drilling and blasting, regulatory and safety considerations.
   Proposed: same

5. Credit Hours:
   Present: Lecture: 2 Lab: 1 Total: 3
   Proposed: Lecture: 2 Lab: 1 Total: 3

6. Prerequisites:
   Present: Accompanied or preceded by either Civ Eng 215 or Geo 220 or Geo 125
   Proposed: Min 151, accompanied or preceded by either Civ Eng 215 or Geo 220 or Geo 125.
   Successful background check (see Mining)

7. Required for Majors: ☒ Elective for Majors: ☐

8. Justification: Student lab is in mining environment. Background check required to verify compliance of student with Safe Explosives Act of 2003. Increase protection of university by bringing in line with non ATF exempt institutions (S&T is exempt as political subdivision exemption to federal laws)

9. Semesters previously offered as an experimental course (101, 201, 301, 401):
10. List all co-listed courses, initiated by Dept. Chair(s) and Dean(s) if signatures do not appear below.
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   Recommended by Department:
   (Chair signature)  Date: 12/20/09
   Recommended by School/College:
   (Dean signature)  Date: 11/10
   Recommended by UMR Curricula Committee:
   (Chair signature)  Date: (Action)
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   (Chair signature)  Date: (Action)

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**Course Changes**  
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- New Course
- Course Deletion
- Credit Hours
- Prerequisites

**Course Information**  
(1-9 Must Be Completed. Leave "Proposed" items blank if no change is being made.)

1. **Department**: Mining & Nuclear Engineering

2. **Discipline and Course Number**: Present: Min 305  
   Proposed:

3. **Course Title**: Present: Explosives Handling & Safety  
   Proposed:
   - **Abbreviated Course Title**: Expl. Hand & Saf.
   - **Catalog Description**: (24 Spaces or Less. Only needed for New Courses or Title Changes.)
   - **Present**:

   Proposed: Basic handling & safety for explosives, explosives devices and ordnance related to laboratory handling, testing, manufacturing & storage, for both civil and defense applications.

5. **If course requires field trip check box**:  

6. **Credit Hours**:
   - Present:
   - Proposed:
   - **Lecture**: 1  
   - **Lab**: 3  
   - **Total**:

7. **Prerequisites**:
   - Present:
   - Proposed:
   - **Min 151 and Min 307**

8. **Required for Majors**:  
   - **Elective for Majors**:  

9. **Justification**:
   To verify compliance of students with safe explosives act of 2003. Increase protection of university by bringing in line with non ATF exempt institutions (S&T is exempt under political subdivision exemption to federal law).

10. **Semesters previously offered as an experimental course (101, 201, 301, 401)**:

11. **List all co-listed courses, initiated by Dept. Chair, if signature does not appear below.**

   - **Min 465**  
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Recommended by Department:  
(Chair signature)  
Date: 12/20/09

Recommended by Discipline Specific Curricula Committee:
(Chair signature)  
Date: 1-16-10

Approved by Curricula Committee:  
(Chair signature)  
Date: 

Approved by Faculty Senate:  
(Chair signature)  
Date: 

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Course Change Form (CC)

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Course Changes

New Course ☐ Course Deletion ☐ Credit Hours ☐ Prerequisites ☒
Course Title ☐ Catalog Description ☒ Course Number ☐ Co-listing ☐

Course Information

1-9 Must Be Completed. Leave "Proposed" items blank if no change is being made.

1. Department: Mining Engineering

2. Discipline and Course Number: Present: Mi Eng 110 Proposed: N/A

3. Course Title: Present: Surveying For Mineral Engineers Proposed: N/A

   Abbreviated Course Title: Surveying For Min Eng
   (2-4 Spaces or Less. Only needed for New Courses or Title Changes.)

4. Catalog Description (300 Character Spaces or Less):

   Present: Principles of surface and underground survey practice utilizing total station, engineer's level and GPS. Traversing and details, note taking and computations, balancing surveys and error analysis, staking-out new points, and map construction with AutoCAD.

   Proposed: N/A

5. If course requires field trip check box: ☐

6. Credit Hours:
   Present: Lecture: 0 Lab: 2.0 Total: 2.0
   Proposed: Lecture: 0 Lab: 2.0 Total: 2.0

7. Prerequisites:
   Present: Math 6, accompanied or preceded by Min Eng 3 and Min Eng 50

   Proposed: Math 6, accompanied or preceded by Min Eng 3

8. Required for Majors: ☒ Elective for Majors: ☐

9. Justification: Mi Eng 50 is no longer offered. The necessary concepts will be incorporated into the course.

10. Semesters previously offered as an experimental course (101, 201, 301, 401):

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   Recommended by Discipline Specific Curriculum Committee

   Approved by Curriculum Committee:

   Approved by Faculty Senate:

   Date: 12/20/09
   Date: 1-17-10
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Course Changes (Check all changes.)
New Course □  Course Deletion □  Credit Hours □  Prerequisites □
Course Title □  Catalog Description □  Course Number □  Co-listing □

Course Information (1-9 Must Be Completed. Leave *Proposed* items blank if no change is being made.)

1. Department: MINING AND NUCLEAR
2. Discipline and Course Number: Present: 350  Proposed:
3. Course Title: Present: Blasting Design and Technology  Proposed:
   Abbreviated Course Title:
   (24 Spaces or Less. Only needed for New Courses or Title Changes.)
   Present:
   Proposed:

4. Catalog Description (300 Character Spaces or Less.)
   Present:
   Proposed:

5. If course requires field trip check box: □

6. Credit Hours:
   Present: Lecture: 2  Lab: 1  Total: 3
   Proposed: Lecture:  □  Lab:  □  Total:  □

7. Prerequisites:
   Present: Min 307. Student Must be at least 21 years of age.
   Proposed: Min 307. Student Must be at least 21 years of age. Successful background check

8. Required for Majors: □  Elective for Majors: □

9. Justification: To verify compliance of students with safe explosives act of 2003. Increase protection of university by bringing in line with non ATF exempt institutions (S&T is exempt under political subdivision exemption to federal law)

10. Semesters previously offered as an experimental course (101, 201, 301, 401):

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   Recommended by Discipline Specific Curricula Committee: (Chair signature)

   Approved by Curricula Committee: (Chair signature)

   Approved by Faculty Senate: (Chair signature)

   Date: 12/20/09
   Date: 1/6/09
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Course Changes (Check all changes.)
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- Credit Hours □
- Prerequisites □
- Course Title □
- Catalog Description □
- Course Number □
- Co-listing □

Course Information (1-9 Must Be Completed. Leave "Proposed" items blank if no change is being made.)

1. Department: Mining and Nuclear Engineering
2. Discipline and Course Number: Present: 406 Proposed:
3. Course Title: Present: Scientific Instrumentation for Explosives Testing and Blasting Proposed:
   Abbreviated Course Title:
   (24 Spaces or Less. Only needed for New Courses or Title Changes.)
4. Catalog Description (300 Character Spaces or Less.)
   Present:
   Proposed:

5. If course requires field trip check box: □
6. Credit Hours:
   Present: Lecture: 2
   Proposed: Lecture:
   Lab: 1
   Total: 3
7. Prerequisites:
   Present:
   Proposed: Successful background check
8. Required for Majors: □
   Elective for Majors: □
9. Justification: To verify compliance of students with safe explosives act of 2003. Increase protection of university by bringing in line with non ATF exempt institutions (S&T is exempt under political subdivision exemption to federal law)

10. Semesters previously offered as an experimental course (101, 201, 301, 401):
11. List all co-listed courses, initialed by Dept. Chair, if signature does not appear below.
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Recommended by Department
(Chair signature) Date: 12/20/09

Recommended by Discipline Specific Curricula Committee
(Chair signature) Date: 1-13-09

Approved by Curricula Committee:
(Chair signature) Date: 

Approved by Faculty Senate:
(Chair signature) Date: 

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Course Change Form (CC)

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Course Changes (Check all changes.)
- New Course
- Course Deletion
- Credit Hours
- Prerequisites
- Course Title
- Catalog Description
- Course Number
- Co-listing

Course Information (1-9 Must Be Completed. Leave "Proposed" items blank if no change is being made.)

1. Department: Mining and Nuclear Engineering
2. Discipline and Course Number: Present: 402 Proposed:
3. Course Title: Present: Environmental Control of Blasting Proposed:
   Abbreviated Course Title:
   (24 Spaces or Less. Only needed for New Courses or Title Changes.)
   Present:
   Proposed:

4. Catalog Description (300 Character Spaces or Less.)
   Present:
   Proposed:

5. If course requires field trip check box: ☐

6. Credit Hours:
   Present: Lecture: 2 Lab: 1 Total: 3
   Proposed: Lecture: Lab: Total:

7. Prerequisites:
   Present: Mi Eng 307.
   Proposed: Mi Eng 307. Successful background check

8. Required for Majors: ☐ Elective for Majors: ☑

9. Justification: To verify compliance of students with safe explosives act of 2003. Increase protection of university by bringing in line with non ATF exempt institutions (S&T is exempt under political subdivision exemption to federal law)

10. Semesters previously offered as an experimental course (101, 201, 301, 401):

11. List all co-listed courses, Initiated by Dept. Chair, if signature does not appear below.
   1) 2) 3) 4) 5) Date: 12/26/09

   Recommended by Department
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   Recommended by Discipline Specific Curricula Committee
   (Chair signature)

   Approved by Curricula Committee:
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   Approved by Faculty Senate:
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   Date: 1/16/10
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Course Change Form (CC)

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Course Changes
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- New Course (X)
- Course Deletion ( )
- Credit Hours ( )
- Prerequisites ( )
- Course Title ( )
- Catalog Description ( )
- Course Number ( )
- Co-listing ( )

Course Information
(1-9 Must Be Completed. Leave "Proposed" items blank if no change is being made.)

1. Department: Mining and Nuclear Engineering
2. Discipline and Course Number: Present: Min 301 Proposed: Min 310
3. Course Title: Present: Stage Pyrotechnics and Special Effects Proposed:
   Abbreviated Course Title: Stage Pyro & Spec Effect
   (24 Spaces or Less. Only needed for New Courses or Title Changes.)
4. Catalog Description (40 Words or Less)
   Present: Use of energetic materials in close proximity to audiences. Provide participants with training preparing for Missouri Pyrotechnics Display Operators License. Covers: close proximity indoor and outdoor pyrotechnics and special effects. Working with stage crews and talent, safety and permitting.
   Proposed:

5. If course requires field trip check box ( )
6. Credit Hours:
   Present: Lecture: Lab: Total:
   Proposed: Lecture: 1 Lab: 2 Total: 3
7. Prerequisites:
   Present:
   Proposed:
   Chem 1. US Citizen or permanent resident (to fulfill the requirements of the SAFE EXPLOSIVES ACT 2003). Resident enrollment at MS&T (e.g. not distance or internet)
8. Required for Majors ( )

   Elective for Majors ( )
9. Justification:
   To verify compliance of students with safe explosives act of 2003. Increase protection of university by bringing in line with non ATF exempt institutions (S&T is exempt under political subdivision exemption to federal law)

10. Semesters previously offered as an experimental course (101, 201, 301, 401): FS2007 & FS2008
11. List all co-listed courses, initiated by Dept. Chair, if signature does not appear below.
   1) 2) 3)
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   Recommended by Department
   (Chair signature)
   Date: 12/30/09
   Recommended by Discipline Specific Curricula Committee
   (Chair signature)
   Date: 1/16/10
   Approved by Curricula Committee:
   (Chair signature)
   Date:
   Approved by Faculty Senate:
   (Chair signature)
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Course Change Form (CC)

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Effective Year: 2010
Term: Summer ☐ Fall ☐ Spring ☐

Course Changes
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New Course ☒ Course Deletion ☐ Credit Hours ☐ Prerequisites ☐
Course Title ☐ Catalog Description ☐ Course Number ☐ Co-listing ☐

Course Information
(1-9 Must Be Completed. Leave "Proposed" items blank if no change is being made.)

1. Department: English and Tech Comm
2. Discipline and Course Number: Present: English 301 Proposed: English 379
3. Course Title: Present: Southern Culture Proposed:
Abbreviated Course Title:
(24 Spaces or Less. Only needed for New Courses or Title Changes.)
4. Catalog Description (300 Character Spaces or Less.)
Present: Introduction to major issues in the history and culture of the recent American South. Non-fiction, fiction, memoir, autobiography, journalism and film explore the social, economic, and political transformations of the region in the last half-century.
Proposed:

5. If course requires field trip check box: ☐
6. Credit Hours:
   Present: Lecture: 3 Lab: 0 Total: 3
   Proposed: Lecture: Lab: 0 Total:
7. Prerequisites:
   Present: English 20 and one semester of literature
   Proposed:

8. Required for Majors: ☐ Elective for Majors: ☒
9. Justification: The class adds to the upper division electives available to our majors, strengthens our offerings in the American Studies minor, and has drawn a significant number of non-majors each time it has been taught.

10. Semesters previously offered as an experimental course (101, 201, 301, 401): 301: SP 08, FA 09
11. List all co-listed courses, Initiated by Dept. Chair, if signature does not appear below.
   1) 2) 3) 
   4) 5) 6) 

   Recommended by Department
   (Chair signature) Date: 4/18/10
   Recommended by Discipline Specific Curricula Committee (Chair signature) Date: 4/11/10
   Approved by Curricula Committee: (Chair signature) Date: 
   Approved by Faculty Senate: (Chair signature) Date: 

(Revised 1/29/09)
ENGLISH 301: Southern Culture
Fall Semester, 2009
MWF 1:00-1:50

Instructor: Dr. Trent Watts
Office: H-SS 217
Office Hours: MW 12:00-1:00, and by appointment
Email: wattsta@mst.edu

Course Objectives:

This class provides an introduction to major issues in the history and culture of the recent American South. We'll read non-fiction, fiction, memoir, autobiography, and journalism to see how southerners have understood the social, economic, and political transformations of the region in the last half-century. Our readings and other texts will focus on the state of Mississippi, the subject of almost all of my research and writing, and more important, a land commonly considered "the most southern place on Earth," as historian James Cobb said of the Mississippi Delta. We'll read a good deal about race, of course, but that's not our only theme. Religion, sports, food, gender and sexuality, and music will also occupy a good deal of our attention.

You will be evaluated in several ways. While I will lecture occasionally, this class is predominately discussion-based. Read the books, and come to class ready to talk about them, or at least with a few questions. Class discussion will allow you to work toward interpretations of texts that you'll be able to expand upon in exams; class participation will also demonstrate "effort," and will be heavily rewarded. Exams will test how carefully you studied the assignments and how well you're able to synthesize what you read and discussed in class.

Required Texts:

Hodding Carter, So the Heffners Left McComb, 1965.
Will D. Campbell, Brother to a Dragonfly, 1977.
Constance Curry, Silver Rights, 1996.
Noel Polk, Outside the Southern Myth, 1997.
W. Ralph Eubanks, Ever is a Long Time, 2005.

Carter's book is available as a pdf file on Blackboard. Buy and bring to class copies of these books.

Films and Documentaries:

Michael Curtiz, dir. King Creole, 1958.

We'll see these films and documentaries in class.

You'll find this syllabus and other important announcements at the Blackboard website: http://blackboard.mst.edu. Use your MS & T email username and password to access the website. I reserve the right to make changes to the syllabus at my discretion. I will announce these changes in class or via email.
Grading:

In order to do well in this class, you must read all the material carefully and according to the schedule, and you must attend class. In assigning grades, I will follow these grading guidelines: (A) means genuinely outstanding work, mastery of the subject, near flawless exposition, and incisive interpretation. (B) means well above average achievements in mastery of the subject, exposition, and interpretation throughout the course. (C) means comprehension of the basic concepts, competent exposition, and interpretation, indicating that the student has learned the subject at an appropriate university level. (D) means unsatisfactory but still barely passing. (F) means failure. I use a conventional ten-point grading scale: 90-100--A; 80-89--B; 70-79--C; 60-69--D; 50-59--F.

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Disability Accommodation:

If you have a documented disability and anticipate needing accommodations in this course, you are strongly encouraged to meet with me early in the semester. You will need to request that the Disability Services staff send a letter to me verifying your disability and specifying the accommodation you will need before I can arrange your accommodation.

Attendance Policy: It is your responsibility to attend class. You will not pass if you don’t attend. This is not high school; this is the real world. In the real world, you cannot miss work or other obligations without consequences. I will check attendance at each class meeting. If you are late, or if you leave early, you will be counted absent. You are allowed five absences this semester. If you miss six to eight classes, your final grade will be lowered by a letter grade. If you miss nine or more classes, you’ll receive an F for the course. Read the attendance policy again. If you plan to miss a lot of classes, I suggest that you drop this course now.

Matters of Courtesy: Don’t arrive late for class. It’s rude and disruptive. If you must arrive late, enter quietly and sit near the door. I will not allow you to tape my lectures. You may bring a drink to class, but no food. Turn off your cell phone and other electronic devices, including laptop computers. Treat everyone with respect. This is an academic community dedicated to free inquiry. But free inquiry depends upon listening to other people’s ideas, even unpopular ones. If you feel unable to follow these rules, drop the class.

The material we’ll read this semester will treat frankly and honestly mature themes and situations such as violence, sex, divorce, adultery, and race relations in the American South. If you are overly sensitive or easily offended, consider yourself warned.

AUGUST

24  Introduction to the course

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Course Title ☐  Catalog Description ☐  Course Number ☐  Co-listing ☐

Course Information  (1-9 Must Be Completed. Leave "Proposed" items blank if no change is being made.)
1. Department: English and Technical Communic
2. Discipline and Course Number:  Present: TC 401  Proposed: TC 409
3. Course Title:  Present:  Web-Based Communication
                 Proposed:  Web-Based Communication

Abbreviated Course Title:
(24 Spaces or Less. Only needed for New Courses or Title Changes.)

4. Catalog Description  (300 Character Spaces or Less.)
Present:
Proposed:  Covers such topics as advanced writing and editing for the web; the creation of rhetorically effective websites; the use of blogs, wikis, and other web genres to communicate technical information.

5. If course requires field trip check box: ☐

6. Credit Hours:
   Present:  Lecture: 3  Lab:  Total:
   Proposed:  Lecture: 3  Lab:  Total:

7. Prerequisites:
   Present:
   Proposed:

8. Required for Majors: ☐  Elective for Majors: ☒

9. Justification:

10. Semesters previously offered as an experimental course (101, 201, 301, 401): Spring 2003 & 2010

11. List all co-listed courses, initialed by Dept. Chair, if signature does not appear below.
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Recommended by Department:  (Chair signature)  Date:  1/11/10
Recommended by Discipline Specific Curricula Committee:  (Chair signature)  Date:  2/1/10
Approved by Curricula Committee:  (Chair signature)  Date:  
Approved by Faculty Senate:  (Chair signature)  Date:  

(Revised 1/29/09)
Technical Communication 401: Web-Based Communication

Instructor: Dr. David Wright
Email: wrightmd@mst.edu
Office: 218 HSS Building
Phone: 341-4325
Office Hours: MWF 10:00-11:00 or by appt.

**Required Materials:**

(LGW in syllabus)

(ADR in syllabus)

(HT in syllabus)

**Course structure:** The goal of this course is two-fold. Students will produce a comprehensive web site for a non-profit organization that meets the needs of that organization and promotes its interests. In doing so, students will be required to learn web authoring software and the basics of HTML and CSS. Students will also gather and display knowledge of writing for the web. We will treat the class as a small business that has been given a contract to produce a web site for a small company. Your instructor will function as the CEO of that company and will assign tasks to individual members of the “company” on an ongoing basis. Because we will function as a small business, we will learn certain things together, while class members will be asked to complete tasks individually and share what they have done/learned with other members of the group.

**Accommodation**

If you have a documented disability and anticipate needing accommodations in this course, you will need to request that the Disability Services staff send a letter to me verifying your disability and specifying the accommodation you will need before I can arrange your accommodation. Call Disability Services at 341 4211.
# Semester Plan

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## Grading

Grades will be based on 1000 points for the class, with 900+ = A; 800+ = B, etc. Late assignments will be penalized 10% for each day late unless arrangements are made in advance. Grades can be discussed (after a 24 hour cooling off period), and if you would like to appeal your final grade in the course (not grades on individual assignments), see Dr. Kris Swenson, Department Chair.
Academic Alert
I will utilize the academic alert system if you begin to “slip” during the course of the semester or miss too many classes. This is not an attack you personally, just a reminder. However, please take this reminder seriously.

Academic Dishonesty
Page 30 of the Student Academic Regulations handbook describes the student standard of conduct relative to the System's Collected Rules and Regulations section 200.010, and offers descriptions of academic dishonesty including cheating, plagiarism or sabotage. Please familiarize yourself with university regulations concerning academic dishonesty—you will be held accountable for them.
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- Credit Hours □
- Prerequisites □
- Course Title □
- Catalog Description □
- Course Number □
- Co-listing □

Course Information
(1-9 Must Be Completed. Leave "Proposed" items blank if no change is being made.)

1. School/College: Department: Business & Information Tech
2. Discipline and Course Number: Present: ERP345 Proposed:
3. Course Title: Present: Use of Business Intelligence Proposed:
   Abbreviated Course Title: Business Intelligence
   (24 Spaces or Less. Only needed for New Courses or Title Changes.)
4. Catalog Description (40 Words or Less)
   Present: Application of "Intelligent" techniques from CS and OR to business decision making. Overview of the theory, but with a focus on the application to business problem solving. Use of SAP as a tool to access and present data, search for patterns, and identify exceptions, as well as forecast, optimize, and schedule resources.
   Proposed: This course introduces data-oriented techniques for business intelligence. Topics include Business Intelligence architecture, Business Analytics, and Enterprise Reporting. SAP Business Information Warehouse, BusinessObjects, or similar tools will be used to access and present data, generate reports, and perform analysis.
5. Credit Hours: Present: Lecture: 3 Lab: Total: 3.0
   Proposed: Lecture: Lab: Total:
6. Prerequisites:
   Present: ERP346 or BUS426; database experience.
   Proposed: ERP 246 or BUS426 or ERP346 (ERP 346 may be taken concurrently).
7. Required for Majors: □
   Elective for Majors: □
8. Justification: In response to curriculum revision effort, to keep up with technology trends, & to fit better with other degree programs in the department.
9. Semesters previously offered as an experimental course (101, 201, 301, 401):
10. List all co-listed courses, initialed by Dept. Chair(s) and Dean(s) if signatures do not appear below.
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Recommended by Department

CHAIR (Chair signature)

Date: 2/21/10

Recommended by School/College

DEAN (Dean signature)

Date: 2/9/10

Recommended by UMR Curricula Committee:

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Date: (Action)

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Course Information
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1. Department: Business & Info Tech
2. Discipline and Course Number: Present: ERP 448
   Proposed: ERP 448
3. Course Title: Present: Enterprise Performance Management System Prototyping
   Proposed: Enterprise Performance Management System Prototyping
4. Catalog Description
   Present: This course will study implementation and design practices for enterprise performance
   management and monitoring systems with a focus on dashboards, balanced scorecard, and
   value based management. SAP's Strategic Enterprise Management (SEM), Business Object
   Xcelsius, or similar tools will be used for
   Proposed: Enterprise Performance Management System Prototyping

5. If course requires field trip check box: ☐
6. Credit Hours:
   Present: 3.0
   Proposed: 3.0
   Lecture: 3.0
   Lab: 0
   Total: 3.0
7. Prerequisites:
   Present: ERP 345
   Proposed: ERP 444 or IST 444
8. Required for Majors: ☐ Elective for Majors: ☒
10. Semesters previously offered as an experimental course (101, 201, 301, 401):
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Recommended by Discipline Specific Curricula Committee: [Signature]
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Department: Electrical and Computer Engineering

Discipline and Course Number: EE301

Course Title: Introduction to Radar Systems

Abbreviated Title (24 spaces or less): Intro to Radar Systems

Instructor(s): Reza Zoughi

Credit Hours: Lecture: 3 Lab: Total: 3

Prerequisites: EE271 and EE267/217

Semester(s) previously taught: None

Brief Course Description: (40 words or less)
Introducing basics of radar systems & apps.

List all co-listed courses: Include initials of Dept. Chair, if signature is not already included below.
1) 2) 3) 4) 5) 6)

Department Chair: [Signature] Date: 12/14/09

Discipline Specific Curricula Committee: [Signature] Date: 1/16/10

Curricula Committee: [Signature] Date: 

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Department: Mining and Nuclear Engineering

Discipline and Course Number: Min 401

Course Title: Ventilation and Mine Fire Simulation

Abbreviated Title (24 spaces or less): Vent & Fire Simulation

Instructor(s): Jerry Tien & Stewart Gillies

Credit Hours: Lecture: 2 Lab: 1 Total: 3

Prerequisites: Min 318 or the consent of instructor

Semester(s) previously taught: None

Brief Course Description: (40 words or less)
(Lec 2.0 and Lab 1.0) A study of the effects of fires on the mine ventilation system, including the
principle of combustion, source of ignition underground, dynamics of the mine ventilation system
during mine fires, monitoring systems, the simulation of mine fires with modern software and use of
inertization systems for suppression and other fire-fighting strategies. Prerequisite: Min-318 or the
consent of instructor.

List all co-listed courses: Include initials of Dept. Chair, if signature is not already included below.
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Department Chair: (Chair Signature) Date: 12/28/09

Discipline Specific Curricula Committee: (Chair signature) Date: 1/10/10

Curricula Committee: (Chair Signature) Date: 

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Department: Civil

Discipline and Course Number: 301

Course Title: Advanced Traffic Signal Operations

Abbreviated Title (24 spaces or less): Adv Traffic Signal Ops

Instructor(s): Michael Trueblood

Credit Hours: Lecture: 3 Lab: Total: 3

Prerequisites: CE 353

Semester(s) previously taught: Fall 2009

Brief Course Description: (40 words or less)
Discuss the role and function of a traffic signal components: the signal controller, conflict monitor, vehicle detectors, etc. Discuss layout of traffic signal hardware at an intersection. Discuss the phasing/timing of traffic signals in details.

List all co-listed courses: Include initials of Dept. Chair, if signature is not already included below.
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Department Chair: [Signature] Date: 12/22/09

Discipline Specific Curricula Committee: [Signature] Date: 1/8/10

Curricula Committee: [Signature] Date: 

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Department: English & Technical Communication

Discipline and Course Number: TCH COM 201

Course Title: Technical Presentations

Abbreviated Title (24 spaces or less):

Instructor(s): Kathryn Northcut

Credit Hours: Lecture: 3 Lab: Total: 3

Prerequisites: none

Semester(s) previously taught: N/A

Brief Course Description: (40 words or less)
Students will practice conveying technical information to a range of audiences using multiple delivery methods.

List all co-listed courses: Include initials of Dept. Chair, if signature is not already included below.
1) ENG MGT 201
   2) 
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Department Chair: [Signature]

Discipline Specific Curricula Committee: [Signature]

Curricula Committee: [Signature]

Date: 1/5/10

Date: 2/1/10

Date:

(Revised 1/31/2008)
From: Kristine Swenson, Department Chair, English and Technical Communication  
To: Registrar, Area Curriculum Committee  
Date: January 6, 2009  
Re: Technical Communication 201

Proposal for a new 3-hour course, Technical Communication 201, "Technical Presentations."

Objective: A 3-credit-hour course, Technical Presentations, will help students across a variety of majors improve their ability to inform and persuade when technical content is being addressed to a variety of audiences.

Proposed Course Description: Technical communication skills, both informative and persuasive, will be covered. Students will produce materials for spoken, print, and online communication contexts. Specific activities will include informal funding proposals, multimedia presentations, and speaking to external groups about university projects such as those of the SDELC. Prerequisite: one semester of college-level writing.

Rationale: Missouri S&T engineering students typically excel in technical design, but often have relative weaknesses in presenting information and explaining their designs to a varied, public audience across a variety of media. Missouri S&T students in non-engineering majors are often unintentionally excluded from the projects led by student designers, despite the skills in argument, persuasion, and marketing that they might bring to such projects. The proposed course would focus specifically and exclusively on presenting technical material to varied audiences across a spectrum of contemporary platforms for both informative and persuasive purposes. No other course in the curriculum meets this need.

Current Situation: Students on design teams may take 1-credit-hour elective courses in Competition Team Leadership, Competition Team Design, and Competition Team Communication with the IDE designation. Those courses are proposed to become part of the Engineering Management curriculum. The current 1-credit-hour course in communication is likely to be replaced with another topic.

Benefits: A course in Technical Presentations would potentially benefit many of the 400 S&T undergraduates involved with the design teams, and would also be a site for meaningful interdisciplinary collaborations between the engineering majors and students from other diverse fields, especially English and Technical Communication. The course will be co-listed as a 200-level course offered by both Engineering Management and English/Technical Communication, so it is likely to attract students in engineering fields, who could take the course by itself or as part of a Technical Communication minor. The course would also qualify as one of the five required electives for Tech Com BS majors.

IDE 224, 233, and 242 enrolled five students each in Fall, 2009. Students who enroll typically take all three to form the equivalent of a single 3-credit-hour course. The professor, Paul Hirtz, could replace the communication component if it becomes available as a 3-credit-hour course. Design team students will most likely benefit from such a course if it is offered in the Fall. Although students often wish to take
electives in the summer, the numbers of students may be too small for the course to fill at the desired level. The course could be offered in any semester deemed feasible, pending approval by all parties.

Further Specifications: The proposed course should require minimal prerequisites, making it available to interested students at all points in their academic careers.

Current Course Description for IDE 242 (Competition Team Communication): Communication skills, both technical and promotional, will be covered. Students will practice both communication skills in written, oral and media-based modes. Specific activities will include writing a proposal for funding, developing a promotional media piece and speaking to external groups about a SDELC team. Assessment will be made on each of the deliverables. Prerequisites: IDE 224 and IDE 233.

The platforms for communication change constantly. A few years ago, Weblogs (blogs) were the medium of choice for conveying technical news. As the popularity of Weblogs decreases, other media such as Twitter enjoy popularity. The Technical Presentations course would teach students to exploit new media in whatever forms it exists, for the purpose of informing and promoting their projects to varied audiences. Students would also develop interpersonal skills, such as one-on-one walkthroughs of design projects and “elevator pitch” types of proposals. Students will select one project, such as one of the design team projects, to use as a case for the course, and most or all of the graded assignments in the course would use that project as the topic. Students will work in teams at times, but will be graded on their individual presentations rather than team projects, in order to focus on the unique skills of each student. If a classroom such as Engineering Management 103, a distance learning classroom, can be scheduled for part or all of the course, students’ presentations will be videotaped for them to view and critique as their own, likely most critical, audience.


Timeline/schedule: We would like to offer Tech Com 201, Technical Presentations, co-listed as Engineering Management 201, in Fall 2010 and, depending on demand, in Fall 2011 or Fall, 2012.

Qualifications: The course will be developed and taught initially by Dr. Kathryn Northcut, who has the support of Paul Hirtz and Bob Phelan, advisers to the student design teams at Missouri S&T. Dr. Northcut has a doctorate in Technical Communication and Rhetoric from Texas Tech University and has worked as a technical writer in a variety of technology-rich environments including high-voltage motor testing and software development. She has 23 years of experience in professional writing and publication (7) and teaching writing, technical communication, rhetoric, and English (16). She is the Program Director of Technical Communication as of January 1, 2010. She currently teaches courses such as Proposal Writing (TCH COM 333), Technical Writing (English 160), and Advanced Theories of Visual Communication (TCH COM 420). She is well-qualified to teach a multi-modal course in the dissemination of technical information.
Proposal Syllabus Overview for Tech Com/Engineering Mgmt 201: Technical Presentations

Professor Kathryn Northcut
216 H/SS
northcut@mst.edu
341-4687

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Major Assignments

Public Introduction to Technical Design Project (20%)

For this assignment, students will work in teams, preparing an informative and interesting 15-minute presentation that can be presented to groups of high school students, community college students, or local civic organizations.

Grading criteria: visual including photographs; handout or deliverable for audience members; hands-on aspect if feasible; speaking ability of each presenter including audibility, approachability, and interaction; pacing and timing; comprehensibility.

Reflective summary of Introduction (10%)

After the presentation of the Public Introduction, students will review the video of their performance, and critique it in a 400-500 word written reflection. Students will identify both strengths and weaknesses of their own and their teammates’ performances, using constructive and tactful language.

Explanation of Technical Innovation (20%)

For this presentation, students must identify the most interesting technological innovation they can find, and design a presentation in which it is explained for an audience of interested non-specialists. Because the topic is an innovation, the speaker must assume the audience does not already know about it. The speaker needs to describe the technology on which the innovation is based, and clearly articulate how the innovation advances or alters the existing technology. Costs and benefits of the technology, alternative competing technologies, and history of the innovation should be part of this presentation, not necessarily in that order. This assignment gives students in the genre of academic conference presentation.
Grading Criteria: clarify of explanations, narrative structure, cohesive devices between parts of presentation, handout/visuals, and ability to answer questions.

Reflection about Technical Innovation Presentation (10%)

After the presentation of the Technical Innovation, students will review the video of their performance, and critique it in a 400-500 word written reflection. Students will identify both strengths and weaknesses of their performances, specifically targeting areas for future improvement in speaking style, audience awareness, or other aspects of the presentation.

Persuasive Proposal (20%)

Students will identify a course of action that is currently not being taken, and identify an appropriate audience to persuade of the merits of the change. The “course of action” may be related to funding, research and development, student opportunities, policies, or another aspect of a technology-related challenge. In a ten-minute presentation, students will argue for the merits of their idea(s), making as strong an argument as possible. Students will employ Toulmin-style argument structure or a rhetorical analysis in crafting and organizing the presentation.

Grading criteria: clear claims, reasons, evidence, rhetorical elements; appropriate and convincing interpretation of audience; feasibility of proposal including schedule and budget.

Persuasive Proposal Analysis (10%)

Accompanying the persuasive proposal will be a written analysis that describes the logic of the argument through prose and graphics, demonstrating students’ control of argument theory.

Multimedia Revision (10%)

For this assignment, students will transform any of their other course projects into a stand-alone multimedia presentation. Using software such as Camtasia, students will take a live presentation and make it available on DVD or the Web for audiences who would not otherwise attend such a presentation. Titles, captions, motion graphics, voice-over, and other techniques will be introduced and encouraged.
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Department: English and Technical Communication

Discipline and Course Number: TC 301

Course Title: Usability Studies

Abbreviated Title (24 spaces or less):

Instructor(s): David Wright

Credit Hours: Lecture: 3 Lab: Total:

Prerequisites:

Semester(s) previously taught: Fall 2009

Brief Course Description: (40 words or less)
Students in this course will study and apply methods used by technical communicators to evaluate usability. Students will study methods used to evaluate human interaction with communication tools and how to make those products more suitable for human use.

List all co-listed courses: Include initials of Dept. Chair, if signature is not already included below.
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Department Chair: __________________________ (Chair Signature)  
Date: 1/14/10

Discipline Specific Curricula Committee: __________________________ (Chair signature)  
Date: 2/1/10

Curricula Committee: __________________________ (Chair Signature)  
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Usability Testing and Research
English 301

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Phone: 341-4325
Office Hours: MWF 9:00—11:00 or by appt.

Required Materials:

(CB in course outline)

(JN in course outline)

Course Policies

- Late papers will be penalized one letter grade for each day late.
- Incompletes will only be offered in extreme conditions
- Any student needing assistance in order to participate in this class because of a disability needs to let me know as soon as possible, no later than the end of the first week of class. Assistance will be provided by the university.

Assignments and Grades

Your grade will be based on the quality of your work on the assignments listed, as well as on your class participation and attendance. All assignments must be completed in order for you to pass the course! Your final grade will be based on assignments totaling 1000 points. All assignments must be turned in on paper, not electronically. When you receive your graded major assignments back, be sure to keep them. You will need the original assignments in case of an appeal. Any copy without the original grade or comments is not valid for that purpose. Also, you must submit all major assignments to pass the course.
Final Grades

Your final grades will be based on this point scale:

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Attendance Policy

As this is an upper division course, you are expected to be in class on time and prepared for each assigned day. More than 9 absences result in an automatic failure of the course. The 6 “permitted” absences are there to cover emergencies and illness; if you use them unwisely and then experience a real emergency later in the semester, you will have no recourse other than to lose points from the total points you have earned (minus 50 points for each additional absence).

Things to avoid:

- Missing class. During class, graded activities occur, and attendance for their entirety is necessary to qualify for full credit.
- Missing assignments.
- Rude or inappropriate behavior (including sleeping or using cell phones, IM or email) during any student’s presentation will result in a 5% deduction from the final grade.
- Distracting or disrupting the class after a warning will result in 5% deduction from the final grade.
- Turning in an assignment late. Late work results in a minimum 10% deduction from the assignment grade.
- Plagiarism or cheating will result in a minimum failure of the assignment, with a maximum penalty of failure of the course and being reported to administrators.
- Inappropriate responses to grades. If you don’t like your grade, wait 24 hours, review the comments, and only then send an email or set up a meeting to discuss the grade. Course grades (not grades on individual tests and assignments) can be appealed to Professor Gene Doty, Chair of English and Technical Communication, HSS 236.
**Assignments**
- Class Participation: 100 points
- Discussion Group Leadership: 100 points
- Software Explanation Memo: 50 points
- Exam One: 100 points
- Test Plan: 100 points
- Event Report: 100 points
- Final Testing Report: 150 points
- Web Site Critique: 50 points
- Web Analysis Memo: 50 points
- Web Redesign Memo: 100 points
- Exam Two: 100 points

**Semester Plan**

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Assignments
In general, assignments will take shape as the course takes shape. I do not have specific details in mind for all assignments yet, but they will look something like the following list.

Software Explanation Memo
The first half of the course will focus on software usability testing. As such, you will need to focus on one software that you would like to use for testing. The software explanation memo will let me and others in the course know what type of software you will choose to evaluate. Another option is for the entire class to use the same software. In any event, your memo should describe the function of the software, give background information as to its purpose and history, explain what you know of the software to this point, and detail the areas of the software that you would like to examine.

Exam One
The first exam will focus on material from the Barnum text. The exam will be in essay format, and will consist of 2-3 questions.

Test Plan
As part of a research team, you will develop a testing plan for the software you have chosen. The test plan will focus on your chosen software, and will approximate the sample test plan in the chapter 5 appendix.

Event Report
The event report will be a written summary of your observations. It will include team checklists and questionnaires.

Final Testing Report
The final testing report will be a formal report detailing your investigation. See appendix 8.1 for a quick glance.

Web Site Critique
The web site critique will be an analysis of a web site of your choice on the basis of the materials we have discussed in class. It will be a brief, highly detailed paper.
**Web Analysis Memo**
The web analysis memo will be an adaptation of Nielson’s heuristics. It will be an extension of the web site critique.

**Web Redesign Memo**
The web redesign memo should combine your analyses from the critique and analysis memos into a coherent plan for redesign of the web site you have chosen.

**Exam Two**
The second exam will cover material from the second half of the course only.
Experimental Course Form (EC)

This form must be filed with the Secretary to the Campus Curricula Committee, after the department chair's notation, by the appropriate deadline. Filing deadlines for inclusion in the initial release of the Schedule of Classes are as follows:

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Department: Business & Information Technology

Discipline and Course Number: ERP 301

Course Title: Enterprise Portal Application Development

Abbreviated Title (24 spaces or less): Portal

Instructor(s): Bih-Ru Lea

Credit Hours: Lecture: 3.0 Lab: Total: 3.0

Prerequisites: IST 51 or equivalent; ERP 246 or ERP346 (ERP346 may be taken concurrently)

Semester(s) previously taught: None

Brief Course Description: (40 words or less)
This course provides a conceptual foundation and hands on experience in web based applications development deployed through an Enterprise Portal platform. SAP Netweaver Enterprise Portal and tools including Visual Composer and Web Dynpro will be used to develop the applications.

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