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CURRICULUM PROPOSAL FORM

***DEADLINES:**

REGULAR COURSE PROPOSALS: OCTOBER 23, 1998 FOR FALL, 1999 AND FEBRUARY 19, 1999 FOR SPRING, 2000
SHORT-TERM COURSE PROPOSALS: DECEMBER 11, 1998 FOR FALL, 1999 AND MARCH 26, 1998 FOR SPRING 2000

PROPOSAL TITLE: WORLD JOURNAL CLUB CHANGE

SPONSOR/S: DEPT. CHAIRPERSON

DEPARTMENT: GENERAL EDUCATION

CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:
 UNDERGRADUATE GRADUATE

COLLEGE: LAS
 If LAS: History/Humanities
 Math/Sciences
 Social/Behavioral Sciences

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TYPE OF PROPOSAL (Check ALL that Apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> General Education	<input type="checkbox"/> New Course (NOT Gen. Ed.)
<input type="checkbox"/> New Course in <u>Bank</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Name Change (Dept., School, Major)
<input type="checkbox"/> Existing course, Add To <u>Bank</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Changes in Degree Requirements
<input type="checkbox"/> Multicultural/Global Designation	<input type="checkbox"/> Changes Involve Gen. Ed. requirements
<input type="checkbox"/> Writing Intensive Designation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minor Changes to Existing Courses
<input type="checkbox"/> Literature Designation	<input type="checkbox"/> Course is NOT General Education
<input type="checkbox"/> New Minor/Concentration/Specialization	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Course IS General Education
<input type="checkbox"/> New Major/Degree Program	
<input type="checkbox"/> Short Term Course Proposal	

DEPARTMENT
 (SIGNATURE INDICATES APPROVAL)

Nancy Lynn Finkbeiner 3-7-99 Don O'Shea 3/7/99

DEPT. CURRICULUM CHAIR / DATE DEPT. CHAIRPERSON / DATE

COLLEGE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE
 DATE OF OPEN HEARING (if necessary) _____

APPROVED
 NOT APPROVED

COMMENTS:

Nancy Lynn Finkbeiner 4-27-99

SIGNATURE DATE

ACADEMIC DEAN (& GRADUATE DEAN, for New Graduate Programs Only)

APPROVED
 NOT APPROVED

COMMENTS:

[Signature] 5/6/99

SIGNATURE (Academic Dean) DATE

SIGNATURE (Graduate Dean) DATE

UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

DATE OF OPEN HEARING (if necessary) 5/7/99

APPROVED

NOT APPROVED

COMMENTS:

James W. Reed 5/12/99
SIGNATURE DATE

SENATE

Date announced at Senate 5/11/99

Voted upon at Senate: **Approved** **Not Approved** **Date:**

EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT/PROVOST

APPROVED

NOT APPROVED If no, reasons are as follows:

STUDENT CREDIT HOURS _____ FACULTY LOAD HOURS _____ EQUALIZED CREDIT HOURS _____

OFFICIAL COPY & APPROVAL SHEET FILED (DATE): _____

DATE/SIGNATURE EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT/PROVOST CM 5/12/99

REGISTRAR

DATE APPROVED COURSE DESCRIPTION RECEIVED _____

REGIS TAXONOMY & COURSE NUMBER ASSIGNED _____

DATE/SIGNATURE OF REGISTRAR Robert A. Hubot 6/3/99

NOTIFICATION FORWARD:

SENATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON

DEPARTMENT CHAIRPERSONS

ACADEMIC DEAN(S)

REGISTRAR

SPONSOR(S)

Minor Curricular Change
Change Catalogue Description and Prerequisites for Computing Environments
(0701.200)

1. Details

a. Change Requested:

Old Catalogue Course Description and Prerequisite Statement:

0701.200

Computing Environments

Students will be exposed to a variety of computing environments. This course will include extensive hands-on use of different platforms and operating systems. Topics covered will include user tools, user programming techniques, application packages, and networking communications. Students will gain an understanding of the principles of computing which will enable them to adapt to future technological developments. A computer proficiency equivalent to 0701.100 (Computer Literacy) is expected for this course.

New Catalogue Course Description, Prerequisites and Prerequisite Statement:

0701.200

Computing Environments

(Prerequisites: 0701.100 or equivalent or have passed the Rowan Computer Competency Exam [0701.050])

Students will be exposed to a variety of computing environments. This course will include extensive hands-on use of a variety of software applications. Topics covered will include user tools, user programming techniques, application packages, and networking communications. Students will gain an understanding of the principles of computing which will enable them to adapt to future technological developments. A solid and fundamental understanding of computers and current operating systems, word processing and spreadsheet software are essential to this course.

b. Sponsor: Jerry Spencer

2. Rationale

a. Statement of need for the change:

Computing Environments is heavily dependent upon the student's having a good understanding of operating systems, their utilities, and file management capabilities. Furthermore, the student must have a basic understanding of word processing and spreadsheet software in order to master the initial material presented at the beginning of the course. There are currently four sections of Computing Environments being taught at the Rowan campus and two being taught at the Camden campus. Results to date in all four Rowan sections reveal a bi-modal distribution of grades (about half that are failing or barely passing and half that grasp the material) and of mastery of the material. Those students who are not computer literate struggle to keep up with those who are. For this reason, the course can not be taught at the level or pace that will permit all subjects to be covered. Therefore, the prerequisite of Computer Literacy (or equivalent) or having passed the Rowan Computer Competency Exam is necessary.

b. Statement of curricular effect

Computer Literacy (0701.100) or a passing grade for the Rowan Computer Competency Exam (0701.050) will be the prerequisite for the Computing Environments course (0701.200).

3. Results of consultation:

The School of Business Administration was consulted on this proposal.