AGENDA

1. Review/approval of the January 31, 2019 Graduate Board minutes

2. Review/approval of the February 12, 2019 Curriculum Committee report

3. Announcements
   - Enrollment management update
   - Judges needed for UMSS (April 10)
   - Mug Club
   - Shared TAs selected
   - Graduate Summit March 8; 8:30-11:30am
     RSVP by March 1: https://goo.gl/forms/3d0gfcLEI51XqecZ2

4. Visit by President Ferrini-Mundy

5. Review of graduate certificates in Human Nutrition and Food Technology

6. Items arising:
Graduate Board  
Room 57, Stodder Hall  
Thursday, January 31, 2019  
Minutes


S. Delcourt called the meeting to order at 3:45 PM.

Delcourt thanked Kacey Beckwith for standing in for Kathleen Harding-Heber in December as Graduate Board Secretary.

Last meeting was held December 20, 2018

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1. Review/approval of the December 20, 2018 Graduate Board minutes  
   Owen Smith moved to approve the Graduate Board Minutes.  
   Unanimous vote.

2. Review/approval of the January 22, 2019 Curriculum Committee report  
   A number of new courses were reviewed – but, most required some additional action.  
   The only course coming for approval – Food Science 510 – Trace Materials.  
   The other courses were missing signatures or approval. The courses have been approved in content by the Curriculum Committee, and pending final signatures, will be in the February 28 Graduate Board packet.

   Motion to approve Owen Smith – unanimous vote to approve.

3. Announcements:

   Hunter & Waldron awards were late getting approved due the number of nominees. (25 nominees – and there were 5 that were very close in ranking.)

   - Hunter and Waldron award recipients
Congratulations to all of the award recipients!

- Next nominations due February 8, 2019 for Chase Distinguished Research Assistantships, Trustee Tuition Scholarships, Atlantic provinces and Quebec scholarships, Thurgood Marshall Diversity scholarships, and shared TAs biology, chemistry, mathematics and physics.

- Question from Shaleen Jain – clarifying the number of Chase awards. S.Delcourt confirmed that we have 6 available.

- Student applications for May graduation are due on February 1, 2019. Student Records will take them after the Feb 1 deadline- but, it is advised to get them in soon. Separate invitations will be sent for the Graduate School Commencement on Friday, May 10.

- Round 2 UMaineGOLD proposal recipients Working with DLL and the Graduate School Second Round Selections:
  Master of Social work
  Master of Ed Leadership
  Master of Science in Human Nutrition and Food Technology

  2 Certificates:
  Human Nutrition
  Food Technology

  2 Graduate Certificates.
  High Leverage Practice to Promote Inclusion
  Autism Spectrum Disorders

  We are about 2 months ahead of last year in the selection process and may be able to get programs out earlier.

A recent press release recognized the first 3 courses to attain UMaine GOLD status:
  SED 536 – Instructional Strategies for Students with Severe Disabilities
  SED 598 – Collaborations and Transitions in Special Education
  SIE 507 – Information Systems Programing.
We anticipate another 20 courses coming forward for UMaine GOLD – with hopes of the entire programs becoming fully GOLD by the Fall 2019. This is when the revenue sharing would begin to apply.

M. LaRocque volunteered more information to anyone interested.

- S. Delcourt reported that 20 graduate students across a number of programs had signed up for the 3 minute thesis competition. The first workshop is set up for next Friday with several more to follow.

4. Review of substantive change proposal changing CAS options to Educational Change to Ed Specialist (Ed.S.) degrees

J. Artesani-A Certificate of Advanced Study (CAS) is a 30 credit post-master’s degree program. Most school districts offer a bump in pay for a master’s degree and for other specialized training. The curriculum for the proposed Education Specialist (Ed.S.) degree would be the same as the CAS. The Ed.S. is common among universities offering this type of degree and avoids confusion with other graduate certificates that are post-baccalaureate.

P. Poirier confirmed that this would not impact nursing CAS program.

S. Delcourt explained that this proposal is being put forward as a substantive change to an existing program – once approved by Dean Varahramyan, it would go to the Provost for fast track approval.

Eric Pandiscio – Motion to move forward. Unanimous Approval.

Short agenda today as President Ferrini-Mundy was originally planning to be here to talk about Strategic Planning – but, will attend our next Graduate Board Meeting in February. Today we will talk about our thoughts and ideas in preparation for this discussion.

5. Discussion of UMaine Strategic Values statements (see handout)

Campus community meetings – M. Larocque is one of the organizing committee members. 3 values as originally presented for review (see handout) at the open session meetings relate to the University’s teaching, research and service missions. S. Delcourt – There have been 3 large open sessions (one for each value statement) and then additional pop up sessions to focus on the 3 strategic values. More specific goals and strategies will be outlined for each broad value statement. It was noted that graduate education is missing from the strategies – we should have some points that refer to the graduate mission of the University.
M. Larocque & S. Delcourt have been part of a planning committee along with Provost Hecker and VP & Dean Varahramyan to plan a Summit of Graduate Education for March 8; 8:30 – 11:30 discussion at Buchanan Alumni House. M. Larocque - Save the date announcement will go out next week. This will provide a great opportunity for input on the University’s graduate mission as it pertains to the 3 strategic value statements. Breakfast will be included.

S. Delcourt has been tasked with collecting information from the graduate office and the Graduate Board regarding the strategic value statements and asked for the GB members’ thoughts.

O. Smith – had 2 comments – 1. Fostering Learner Success – Drop “of its members” & make the statement a bit more broad. State leaders need to be speaking to all. 2. Second strategic value – “Creative” and “Innovative” are used as synonyms & should not be. They are not one in the same – Innovation is much more discipline bound. Creativity should be used more broadly.

C. Isenhour – suggested that research ethics should be included in these statements. S. Delcourt added that responsible conduct of research is now a requirement for all graduate students completing theses.

P. Poirier - School of Nursing met yesterday & mentioned that there is no student responsibility listed and there should be since learning involves a reciprocal relationship between students & faculty at the graduate level.

Mike Kinnison spoke about creative innovation – the connotation can come through as elitism. The cultural context can get confounded.

Kristin Vekasi suggested revising the text to “strategic value for Maine & beyond. “ What we do here is bring things from beyond Maine’s borders & national borders into Maine. It is important to reflect.

S. Delcourt mentioned the work of Richard Florida on the creative economy and how universities are magnets for talent by virtue of who they are and what they do.

O. Smith – is there an overarching statement that could be included in the value statements?

P Poirier – there is a lot of collaboration in research within the UMS & outside of the UM system as well. This should be emphasized as well. Within the UMS, there is a feeling that we are the “Ivory Tower” as the largest and most well-funded campus.

O Smith – including “transdisciplinary” as our fields are evolving.
Creation of new knowledge & intersections of new knowledge.

STEM-related comment – maybe artists, thinkers, poets, etc… are missing from the equation.

S. Delcourt thanked the GB members for the thoughtful feedback.

6. S. Delcourt introduced Fiona Libby and talked about her previous experience in recruitment at Colby College – as well as her experience in our MBA program and in the UMaine Grant Development Office. Delcourt said that Fiona has made an impact almost from day #1 – we are ahead in both master’s and doctoral applications.

F. Libby discussed email marketing from an admissions management perspective. More recruitment communications, social media campaigns, website updates, and other forms of outreach to prospective students.

F. Libby discussed some of the recruitment strategies the Graduate School would be pursuing:

A. Working with programs specifically to help with communications with students & application review.
B. Basic guidelines – Graduate School Marketing Standards (see attachment). Crystal Burgess – Communications Coordinator – and should have final review at least a week before an ad run date.

Graduate School Marketing Services Form – that will be hosted on our web-site. Form is in the packet – we will email once it goes live onto our web-site.

What resources are available? What is your goal? We can set up a meeting to help you move forward.

S. Delcourt added that CLAS Dean Emily Haddad had gone on a listening tour in her departments and many would like assistance with marketing and student recruitment. The Graduate School’s limited resources for recruiting have been focused on programs that have capacity to grow. However, the Graduate School can help any program with its recruitment strategies and communications.

F. Libby - There are things that we can do at little or no cost. Developing email campaigns via Target X CRM. We can find unique ways to get the word out there for any graduate program.

F. Libby - Holistic Review of Applications (see handouts) - idea that you are looking a student within their own unique context. What is the unique thing they bring to the learning environment? Not judging any applicant by one singular factor. Pulling back the focus from just GRE and GPA. This can help improve our diversity.
Looking at students in their own unique way. Don’t try to lump students in together. Example: Email from a student just giving their GRE score. What ends up happening is that the student is denied admission without opportunity to present their whole case. First generation students – other experiences may be valuable to the admissions decision. We have started using the sample responses for holistic review. You would need the full context of the student. This is a big topic with schools & admissions committees.

Tim Waring - Holistic Review – how to do it efficiently with so many applicants? It is really challenging for Graduate Coordinators. How do we manage? There is not one solution. We could learn as a group on ways to make it better and easier.

S. Delcourt thinks that it would be beneficial for a group to get together & share best practices and ways to evaluate applications. The group is diverse – and it would be helpful to share information on how the different groups review applications. International applicants often score lower on GRE – as it is not available in their first language and has proven cultural bias.

GRE scores break down within their own demographic. Given the context of their application – they may be an impressive candidate when you look at all of the factors.

F. Libby- If you are struggling with international transcripts – Jillian can help with evaluating them.

S. Jain – we get many requests for application fee waivers. A lot of applicants look for funding, etc… and we sometimes discourage them from applying due to their limited resources & the information that they give us.

Suggestion – to provide fee waivers to each of our departments. Fee may come later in the process – i.e. to secure their spot.

S. Delcourt – we could look at a certain number of merit based fee waivers by program.

7. Items arising

Mug Club – Graduate Student Professional Development Series Introduction - Starting next Thursday, Feb 7, 2019. First event is service related to get students engaged and then work on professional development including thesis review and networking.

J. Bomar – UMaineGRAD. More formalized professional development program series for graduate students. More of a holistic approach. We are in the process of developing a web-site for this. We are exploring the badging system – 44 attended the Grant Writing Workshop. Exploring ways that students can add to their qualifications.

S. Delcourt – processing announcement from Graduate School that applications within
the Target X application review system are now able to be forwarded with 2 letters of recommendation. Most programs will review after receipt of 2 letters, so there was no sense in holding the applications up.

4:59 PM S. Delcourt adjourned the meeting.
CURRICULUM COMMITTEE REPORT

The Curriculum Committee met on February 12th, 2019 and recommends the following courses to the Graduate Board for approval at its February 28th, 2019 meeting.

New Courses:

- **PSY 581** Supervision, Consultation, and Interprofessional Issues
- **BMS 605** Professionalism and Responsible Conduct of Research in Biomedical Science and Engineering

Modifications:

- **CSD Prerequisite Change**
- **FSN 501** Advanced Human Nutrition
- **FSN 530** Integrative and Functional Nutrition
- **FSN 603** Nutrients and Food Processing

The following new courses were considered by the Curriculum Committee in January but were still pending revisions. These courses are now ready for approval.

New courses:

- **BEN 502** Advanced Materials in Bio-inspired Engineering
- **BEN 503** Advanced Instrumental Design
- **BEN 512** Modeling of Biomedical Systems
- **BEN 580** Computational Methods in Biomedical Engineering
BMB 520  Introduction to Image Analysis

EDT 532  Creative and Connected Learning Environments
February 11, 2019

To: Curriculum Committee:
Scott Delcourt
Qian Xue
Stuart Marrs
Craig Mason
Grant Miles
Josh Kelley
Deborah Rollins
Lisa Stilley

Fr: Kacey Beckwith, Administrative Specialist

Re: Curriculum Committee, February 12, 2019 Stodder Hall, Room #48

The following courses will be presented on Tuesday, February 12th at 1:00 p.m. in the Graduate School's Conference Room, 48 Stodder Hall.

1. 1:15-1:25 PSY 581
   Rebecca Schwartz-Mette

2. 1:35-1:45 BMS 605
   Ian Meng

3. 1:45-1:50 CSD Department Modification
   No presentation

4. 1:50-1:55 FSN 501
   No presentation

5. 1:55-2:00 FSN 530
   No presentation

6. 2:00-2:05 FSN 603
   No presentation
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GRADUATE PROGRAM/UNIT: Doctoral Program in Clinical Psychology

COURSE DESIGNATOR: PSY
COURSE NUMBER: 581
EFFECTIVE SEMESTER: Summer 2019

COURSE TITLE: Supervision, Consultation, and Interprofessional Issues

REQUESTED ACTION

NEW COURSE (check all that apply, complete Section 1, and submit a complete syllabus):

☐ New Course
☐ New Course with Electronic Learning
☐ Experimental

MODIFICATION (Check all that apply and complete Section 2):

☐ Designator Change
☐ Description Change
☐ Cross Listing (must be at least 400-level)¹
☐ Number Change
☐ Prerequisite Change
☐ Other (specify)
☐ Title Change
☐ Credit Change

ELIMINATION:

☐ Course Elimination

ENDORSEMENTS

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Leader, Initiating Department/Unit(s)

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College(s) Curriculum Committee Chair(s) [if applicable]

Jame W. Warburh

Michael A. Robbins

College Dean(s)

Graduate School [sign and date]

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1. Courses cross-listed below 400-level require the permission of the Graduate School.
**SECTION 1 (FOR NEW COURSE PROPOSALS)**

**Proposed Catalog Description (include designator, number, title, prerequisites, credit hours):**

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<td>This course is designed to build students' initial competencies in clinical supervision, clinical consultation, and in navigating interprofessional issues. Students will critically evaluate the existing empirical literature on supervision, consultation, and interprofessional issues; obtain working knowledge of guiding theories for supervision, consultation, and interprofessional functioning; and gain first-hand experience of the practice of supervision, consultation, and interprofessional work through peer supervision, peer consultation, and interprofessional role plays.</td>
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**Components (type of course/used by Student Records for MaineStreet) - Multiple selections are possible for courses with multiple non-graded components:**

| □ | Applied Music | □ | Clinical |
| □ | Laboratory | □ | Field Experience/Internship |
| □ | Lecture/Seminar | □ | Research |
| □ | Recitation | □ | Independent Study |
| □ | Studio | □ | Thesis |

**Text(s) planned for use:**

**Clinical Supervision: A Competency-Based Approach (Falender & Shafranske, 2004)**

**Other readings (journal articles) to be assigned and provided by instructor.**

**Course Instructor (include name, position, teaching load):**

**Rebecca Schwartz-Mette, PhD.**

**Assistant Professor (2:2 teaching load; 50%)**

**Reason for new course:**

This course is proposed to meet the training and licensure needs of doctoral students in the Clinical Psychology program, to respond to feedback from the American Psychological Association (APA) Committee on Accreditation (CoA), and to keep pace with the current trends in graduate psychology education which include focused training in supervision, consultation, and interprofessional issues. To date, the Clinical Program has offered a three-course sequence (1 credit each: PSY 681, 682, 683) in supervision and consultation, which is limited in important ways. The sequencing of these courses is often irregular for students, the 1-credit per course format significantly limits opportunities for active learning (e.g., practice of supervision and consultation), and the existing courses do not include any training in interprofessional/interdisciplinary work, which is fast becoming the norm in clinical psychology (e.g., integrated health care, behavioral medicine). To address the limitations of the former three, 1-credit course sequence, this course proposal reflects a focused attempt to improve and enhance our current training in supervision, consultation, and interprofessional issues.

**Does the course addition require additional department or institutional facilities, support and/or resources, e.g. new lab facilities, computer support and services, staffing (including graduate teaching assistants), or library subscriptions and resources?**

- [ ] No. The department will not request additional resources for this course.
- [ ] Yes. Please list additional resources required and note how they will be funded or supported.

**What other departments/programs are affected (e.g. course overlap, prerequisites)? Have affected departments/programs been consulted? Any concerns expressed? Please explain.**

None. There are no comparable courses currently offered at the University of Maine in Psychology or other departments.

**How often will this course be offered? Will offering this course result in overload salary payments, either through the college or CEP, either to the instructor of this course or to anyone else as a result of rearranging teaching assignments?**

This course will be offered every other summer semester (alternating with PSY 507).
Credit hours: 3  
Prerequisites: Permission

Instructor: Dr. Rebecca A. Schwartz-Mette  
Office: 360 Little Hall  
Office hours: By appointment

Course delivery method: In-person  
Course meeting days/times: M-F, 9am-11:50am (June 10-June 28, 2019)  
Course meeting location: TBD

Course Overview and Goals
Clinical supervision, consultation, and interprofessional functioning are essential, core competencies for psychologists (Competency Benchmarks; Kaslow et al., 2009). Competent supervision is the key to ensuring that trainees deliver ethical and effective services. Consultation also is a core competency for psychologists and likewise reflects an engaging, rewarding, and challenging contribution to our colleagues both in and outside of the field. Finally, given the increasingly interprofessional nature of psychologists’ work (e.g., integrated health care), the ability to navigate and work with professionals from allied health care fields is critical. As such, focused and intentional training in clinical supervision, consultation, and interprofessional issues is essential. The goal of the course is to provide an introduction to the theory, practice, and emerging empirical research regarding supervision, consultation, and interprofessional issues in clinical psychology. Trainees will build on knowledge, awareness, and skills acquired in this course throughout the remainder of their graduate training and into their careers.

Student Learning Activities and Outcomes
By taking and participating in this course, students will gain initial competence in supervision, in consultation, and in navigating interprofessional issues by:
- Critically evaluating the existing empirical literature on supervision, consultation, and interprofessional issues  
- Obtaining working knowledge of guiding theories for supervision, consultation, and interprofessional functioning  
- Gaining first-hand experience of the practice of supervision, consultation, and interprofessional work through peer supervision, peer consultation, and interprofessional role plays

Required Texts
Additional required readings will be assigned and provided by the instructor.
**Course Requirements and Grading**

Roughly half of each class period will be devoted to discussing the day’s assigned readings. The other half of class each day will be devoted to active learning and role plays. Below, each of the course requirements/assignments are described along with points possible for each.

1) *Attendance and participation in class discussions and activities.* Students are expected to complete all readings independently and before each class period for which they are assigned. Active participation from all students is expected. **5 points per class, 75 points.**

2) *Pre-reflection and self-assessment paper.* At the start of the course, students will respond to a reflection/self-assessment prompt provided by the instructor. **25 points.**

3) *Reading summary/discussion leader.* Each student will be assigned one day of class for which they will briefly (5-10 minutes) summarize the assigned readings and lead that day’s discussion. **25 points.**

4) *Peer supervision experience.* Each student will provide and receive peer supervision for an ongoing clinical case twice during the course. **50 points.**

5) *Peer consultation experience.* Each student will provide and receive consultation to another student in the class regarding a clinical issue once during the course. **25 points.**

6) *Interprofessional role play and ethics project.* In assigned pairs, students will design their own interprofessional vignettes that highlight the intersectionality of psychologists’ work and potential ethical issues that may arise therein. They will then engage in a role play and discussion of interprofessional and ethical issues to consider in such a situation for the class. **25 points.**

7) *Post-reflection and self-assessment paper.* At the end of the course, students will respond to a reflection/self-assessment prompt provided by the instructor. **25 points.**

Total points possible: 250

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**Course Expectations and Climate**

This course reflects psychology’s commitment to training, service, and working with allied professionals. As psychologists, we have an ethical responsibility to prepare ourselves to work effectively with trainees and supervisees, consultees, and other professionals. In order to be successful in these regards, we must acquire knowledge, awareness, and skills to this end. We also must be open to self-reflection and self-assessment as a necessary component of this process. We must embrace that we do not know what we do not know and embrace a non-defensive stance to learning about ourselves, our supervisees, consultees, and colleagues.

The process and outcome of this class depends in large part on the contributions of its members. Each student is asked to be ready and committed to explore material through readings, class discussions, in-and out-of-class activities, and class assignments. It is expected that each of us prepare for each class meeting by completing the assigned readings and reflecting upon the material prior to attending class. *Please keep in mind and respect that this course, while taught in condensed form during the summer, reflects a regular semester’s worth of in-class time and out-of-class preparation and work. Students should be prepared to devote a significant amount of time*
outside of class to completion of course requirements. It is also expected that any course work is completed independently, unless otherwise specified by the instructor.

The more each of us gives to the class, the richer the experience will be for all of us. Each student has something important to contribute to this class. In order for this class to be a success, each of us needs to be willing to share and contribute to the process. Given that students will be asked to provide and receive peer supervision and consultation, as well as to participate in role-plays designed for educational purposes, students may, at times feel nervous, vulnerable, and/or as if their work is on display. I invite all of us to remember that we are supposed to be learning and that perfection is not the goal, so that we may dive into this learning process openly, earnestly, and non-judgmentally.

**Course Policies**

**Attendance.** Students are expected to be prepared for and attend every class meeting.

**Classroom civility.** The success of this course and the potential for students to benefit from the course depends in large part on the respect, patience, courage, and participation of its members. Disrespectful language and/or behavior (including non-participation) will not be tolerated. Inclusive and non-discriminatory language is expected at all times. See also Course Expectations and Climate above.

**Late assignments.** Late assignments will not be accepted. Assignments submitted late will receive a failing grade.

**Campus Policies**

Please carefully review the information accessible via the following link for the campus policies regarding academic honesty, student accessibility services, course disruptions, observance of religious holidays/events, and sexual discrimination reporting. The information available via this link represents the current versions of these campus policies. You are responsible for reviewing this information. If you have any questions about campus policies, please see the instructor.

https://umaine.edu/citl/teaching-resources-2/required-syllabus-information/
Course Schedule (subject to change)

Week 1: 6/10-6/14

● (1) Monday, 6/10: Introductions, Syllabus, Intro to Clinical Supervision
   Reading for discussion today:
   1) Falender and Shafranske, Ch. 1
   2) Falender and Shafranske, Appendix A

   Assignment:
   Peer supervision experiences #1 and #2 (explained in class today; due 6/17 and 6/24)

   Due:
   Pre-reflection paper due today

● (2) Tuesday, 6/11: Components of Quality Supervision
   Reading for discussion today:
   1) Falender and Shafranske, Ch. 2 and 3
   2) Falender and Shafranske, Appendix G

● (3) Wednesday, 6/12: Personal Factors in Clinical Supervision
   Reading for discussion today:
   1) Falender and Shafranske, Ch. 4 and 5
   2) Falender and Shafranske, Appendix B, F, and H

● (4) Thursday, 6/13: The Case for a Deliberate Practice Model for/in Clinical Supervision
   Reading for discussion today:
   1) Rousmaniere, Chapter 1 and 2

   Assignment:
   Peer consultation experience (due 6/20)

● (5) Friday, 6/14: Multicultural Competence in Clinical Supervision
   Reading for discussion today:
   1) Falender and Shafranske, Ch. 6
   2) Falender and Shafranske, Appendices C, D, and E
Week 2: 6/17-6/21

- **(6) Monday, 6/17: Ethics in Clinical Supervision**
  Reading for discussion today:
  1) Falender and Shafranske, Ch. 7
  2) Falender and Shafranske, Appendices I, J, K, and L

  Due:
  Peer supervision experience #1 (to be discussed in class)

- **(7) Tuesday, 6/18: Evaluation and Evolution of Clinical Supervision**
  Reading for discussion today:
  1) Falender and Shafranske, Ch. 8 and 9

- **(8) Wednesday, 6/19: What is Clinical Consultation?**
  Reading for discussion today:
  1) Lowman, Ch. 1

- **(9) Thursday, 6/20: Clinical Consultation in Practice**
  Reading for discussion today:
  1) Lowman, Ch. 2, 3, and 4

  Due:
  Peer consultation experience (to be discussed in class)

- **(10) Friday, 6/21: Ethical Issues in Clinical Consultation**
  Reading for discussion today:
  1) Lowman and Cooper, Ch. 4 and 5

  Assignment:
  Interprofessional role plays and ethics project (due 6/27 and 6/28)
Week 3: 6/24-6/28

(11) Monday, 6/24: Consulting and Interprofessional Work in Primary Care
Reading for discussion today:
1) Competencies for work in PC settings (APA, 2015)

Assignment:
Post-reflection paper (due 6/28)
Due:
Peer supervision experience #2 (to be discussed in class)

(12) Tuesday, 6/25: Interprofessional Issues in Primary Care Settings, Part 1
Reading for discussion today:

(13) Wednesday, 6/26: Interprofessional Issues in Primary Care Settings, Part 1, Part 2
Reading for discussion today:

(14) Thursday, 6/27: Interprofessional Work in Specialized Settings (School, Business)
Reading for discussion today:

Due:
Interprofessional role plays and ethics project presentations (Group 1)

- **(15) Friday, 6/28: Tying it all Together…**
  Due:
  Interprofessional role plays and ethics project presentations (Group 2)
  Post-reflection paper due today
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GRADUATE PROGRAM/UNIT  Graduate School of Biomedical Science and Engineering
COURSE DESIGNATOR  BMS  COURSE NUMBER  605  EFFECTIVE SEMESTER  Summer 2019
COURSE TITLE  Professionalism and Responsible Conduct of Research in Biomedical Science and Engineering

REQUESTED ACTION

NEW COURSE (check all that apply, complete Section 1, and submit a complete syllabus):

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☐ New Course with Electronic Learning
☐ Experimental

MODIFICATION (Check all that apply and complete Section 2):

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☐ Title Change  ☐ Credit Change

ELIMINATION:

☐ Course Elimination

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Leader, Initiating Department/Unit(s)

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College(s) Curriculum Committee Chair(s)  [If applicable]

College Dean(s)

Graduate School  [sign and date]

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SECTION 1 (FOR NEW COURSE PROPOSALS)

Proposed Catalog Description (include designator, number, title, prerequisites, credit hours):

BMS 605 Professionalism and Responsible Conduct of Research in Biomedical Science and Engineering
Prerequisites: none. 2 Cr.

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Components (type of course/used by Student Records for MaineStreet) – Multiple selections are possible for courses with multiple non-graded components:

☐ Applied Music  ☐ Clinical  ☐ Field Experience/Internship  ☐ Research  ☐ Studio
☐ Laboratory  ☐ Lecture/Seminar  ☐ Recitation  ☐ Independent Study  ☐ Thesis

Text(s) planned for use:


Course Instructor (include name, position, teaching load):

Ian Meng, Professor, Department of Biomedical Sciences, University of New England, Full Graduate Faculty UMaine GSBSE

Reason for new course:

The GSBSE would like its PhD and PSM students to take a responsible conduct of research and professionalism course that is tailored to issues that arise the Biomedical Sciences and Engineering

Does the course addition require additional department or institutional facilities, support and/or resources, e.g. new lab facilities, computer support and services, staffing (including graduate teaching assistants), or library subscriptions and resources?

☐ No. The department will not request additional resources for this course.
☐ Yes. Please list additional resources required and note how they will be funded or supported.

What other departments/programs are affected (e.g. course overlap, prerequisites)? Have affected departments/programs been consulted? Any concerns expressed? Please explain.

No known overlap with other programs/departments; although graduate students in some related programs may wish to take this course rather than INT 601

How often will this course be offered? Will offering this course result in overload salary payments, either through the college or CED, either to the instructor of this course or to anyone else as a result of rearranging teaching assignments?

Every summer. It is anticipated that the instructor will be compensated by DLL as for other core GSBSE courses
Professionalism and Responsible Conduct of Research in Biomedical Science and Engineering

BMS605 (2 credits, pass/fail)

Course Director:
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Course description
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Learning outcomes
By the end of the course students will be able to:

- Understand the importance, history and social context of ethical issues in scientific research, and the roles and responsibilities of scientists in society.
- Understand the limitations of regulations and policies and variations in standards across fields, institutions, and labs.
- Understand what constitutes scientific misconduct and the required reporting and investigation procedures.
- Understand the importance of fostering research integrity and professional character.
- Identify potential conflicts of interest in the conduct of research, including external pressures and personal bias.
- Identify key elements of an ethical situation, including stakeholders, relevant ethical and legal norms, relevant facts, and options and critically reason using ethical principles or values.
- Identify strategies for preventing ethical problems in research (e.g., keeping appropriate records).

Format
This 8-week long course meets twice per week, using a combination of didactic lectures (50 min) and small-group role playing and discussions of case studies (110 min). Lectures will be presented online through a live feed. Faculty will lead small group discussions on each campus that must be attended in person.
**Assessment**

Course evaluation is based on attendance and participation (50%) and weekly written assignments (50%). Attendance will be taken and is mandatory. Unexcused absences from 3 or more classes will result in the student receiving a non-passing grade. Weekly written assignments consist of short answer responses to case study questions. In the weekly discussion groups, attendance and participation grades will be assessed by the instructor as well as through self-evaluation, using a rubric that includes punctuality, professionalism, and communication skills. For a passing grade, exemplary or acceptable assessment levels are required for a minimum of 6 of the 8 meetings. In addition, exemplary or acceptable assessment levels are required on 6 of the 8 written assignments in order to receive a passing grade.

**Cases and readings**


Most cases and role playing are based on those developed by the US Department of Health and Human Services Office of Research Integrity. These resources can be found at [https://ori.hhs.gov/rcr-casebook-stories-about-researchers-worth-discussing](https://ori.hhs.gov/rcr-casebook-stories-about-researchers-worth-discussing). This resource is referred to as the RCR Casebook.

Additional readings and cases that will be used were developed for the Office of Research Integrity by Columbia University and can be found at [https://ori.hhs.gov/education/products/columbia_wbt/index.html](https://ori.hhs.gov/education/products/columbia_wbt/index.html). This resource is referred to as the RCR courses portal.

**Lecture topics and readings**

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### Academic Honesty Statement:
Academic honesty is very important. It is dishonest to cheat on exams, to copy term papers, to submit papers written by another person, to fake experimental results, or to copy or reword parts of books or articles into your own papers without appropriately citing the source. Students committing or aiding in any of these violations may be given failing grades for an assignment or for an entire course, at the discretion of the instructor. In addition to any academic action taken by an instructor, these violations are also subject to action under the University of Maine Student Conduct Code. The maximum possible sanction under the student conduct code is dismissal from the University.

### Students Accessibility Services Statement:
If you have a disability for which you may be requesting an accommodation, please contact Student Accessibility Services, 121 East Annex, 581.2319, as early as possible in the term. Students who have already been approved for accommodations by SAS and have a current accommodation letter should meet with me (Dr. Ian Meng) privately as soon as possible.

### Course Schedule Disclaimer (Disruption Clause):
In the event of an extended disruption of normal classroom activities, the format for this course may be modified to enable its completion within its programmed time frame. In that event, you will be provided an addendum to the syllabus that will supersede this version.

### Observance of Religious Holidays/Events:
The University of Maine recognizes that when students are observing significant religious holidays, some may be unable to attend classes or labs, study, take tests, or work on other assignments. If they provide adequate notice (at least one week and longer if at all possible), these students are allowed to make up course requirements as long as this effort does not create an unreasonable burden upon the instructor, department or University. At the discretion of the instructor, such coursework could be due before or after the examination or assignment. No adverse or prejudicial effects shall result to a student’s grade for the examination, study, or course requirement on the day of religious observance. The student shall not be marked absent from the class due to observing a significant religious holiday. In the case of an internship or clinical, students should refer to the applicable policy in place by the employer or site.

### Sexual Discrimination Reporting
The University of Maine is committed to making campus a safe place for students. Because of this commitment, if you tell a teacher about an experience of sexual assault, sexual harassment, stalking, relationship abuse (dating violence and domestic violence), sexual misconduct or any form of gender discrimination involving members of the campus, your teacher is required to report...
this information to the campus Office of Sexual Assault & Violence Prevention or the Office of Equal Opportunity.

If you want to talk in confidence to someone about an experience of sexual discrimination, please contact these resources:

For confidential resources on campus: Counseling Center: 207-581-1392 or Cutler Health Center: at 207-581-4000.

For confidential resources off campus: Rape Response Services: 1-800-310-0000 or Partners for Peace: 1-800-863-9909.

Other resources: The resources listed below can offer support but may have to report the incident to others who can help:

For support services on campus: Office of Sexual Assault & Violence Prevention: 207-581-1406, Office of Community Standards: 207-581-1409, University of Maine Police: 207-581-4040 or 911. Or see the OSAVP website for a complete list of services at http://www.umaine.edu/osavp/
NEW COURSE PROPOSAL/MODIFICATION/ELIMINATION FORM FOR GRADUATE COURSES

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GRADUATE PROGRAM/UNIT Communication Sciences and Disorders

COURSE DESIGNATOR CSD COURSE NUMBER 1 EFFECTIVE SEMESTER Fall 2019

REQUESTED ACTION

NEW COURSE (check all that apply, complete Section 1, and submit a complete syllabus):

☐ New Course
☐ New Course with Electronic Learning
☐ Experimental

MODIFICATION (Check all that apply and complete Section 2):

☐ Designator Change  ☐ Description Change  ☐ Cross Listing (must be at least 400-level)¹
☐ Number Change  ☐ Prerequisite Change
☐ Title Change  ☐ Credit Change
☐ Other (specify) __________________________

ELIMINATION:

☐ Course Elimination

ENDORSEMENTS

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Leader, Initiating Department/Unit(s)

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College(s) Curriculum Committee Chair(s) [if applicable]

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College Dean(s)

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Graduate School [sign and date]

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1. Courses cross-listed below 400-level require the permission of the Graduate School.
SECTION 2 (FOR COURSE MODIFICATIONS)

Current catalog description (include designator, number, title, prerequisites, credit hours):

see attached letter

Proposed catalog description (include designator, number, title, prerequisites, credit hours):

see attached letter

Reason for course modification:

All of our graduate courses currently have a prerequisite/permission of "Department Consent Required". As a result, faculty advisors must register students for courses. We would like to modify this prerequisite so that graduate students are able to register for themselves.

SECTION 3 FOR COURSE ELIMINATIONS

Reason for Elimination

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January 31, 2019

Scott Delcourt  
Graduate School  
University of Maine  
5775 Stodder Hall  
Orono, Maine 04469

Re: Course Modification – Prerequisite/Permission Change

Dear Scott,

For the graduate courses listed below, I am requesting that “Department Consent Required”, which is currently listed as a prerequisite/permission, be replaced with “CSD Graduate Students Only”. Let me know if you require anything further.

CSD 581: Articulation and Phonology Disorders  
CSD 582: Voice Disorders  
CSD 583: Fluency Disorders  
CSD 584: Language Disorders in Children: Preschool  
CSD 585: Language Disorders in Children: School-Age  
CSD 586: Current Issues in Clinical Practice  
CSD 588: Audiologic Rehabilitation  
CSD 601: Seminar in Research Methods  
CSD 682: Current Issues in Aphasia, Right Hemisphere Deficits and Dementia  
CSD 683: Seminar in Clinical Procedures I  
CSD 684: Seminar in Clinical Procedures II  
CSD 685: Diagnostic Process in Speech-Language Pathology  
CSD 686: Clinical Practicum  
CSD 687: Swallowing Disorders  
CSD 688: Neurocognitive Disorders in Adults  
CSD 689: Motor Speech Disorders  
CSD 690: Directed Research I  
CSD 691: Directed Research II  
CSD 699: Graduate Thesis/Research

Sincerely,

Christopher M. Grindrod, PhD  
Graduate Program Coordinator  
Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders
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GRADUATE PROGRAM/UNIT  Food Science & Human Nutrition

COURSE DESIGNATOR  FSN  COURSE NUMBER  501  EFFECTIVE SEMESTER  Fall 2019

COURSE TITLE  Advanced Human Nutrition

REQUESTED ACTION

NEW COURSE (check all that apply, complete Section 1, and submit a complete syllabus):

☐ New Course
☐ New Course with Electronic Learning
☐ Experimental

MODIFICATION (Check all that apply and complete Section 2):

☐ Designator Change  ☒ Description Change
☐ Number Change  ☐ Prerequisite Change
☐ Title Change  ☐ Credit Change
☐ Cross Listing (must be at least 400-level)

ELIMINATION:

☐ Course Elimination

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College Dean(s)

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Graduate School [sign and date]

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SECTION 2 (FOR COURSE MODIFICATIONS)
Current catalog description (include designator, number, title, prerequisites, credit hours):

FSN 501 - Advanced Human Nutrition
Basic nutrition science with emphasis on energy, protein, vitamin, mineral and endocrine function and metabolism.

Prerequisites & Notes
FSN 410 or permission.

Credits: 3

Proposed catalog description (include designator, number, title, prerequisites, credit hours):

FSN 501 - Advanced Human Nutrition
Basic nutrition science with an emphasis on carbohydrate, lipid, protein, vitamin, mineral functions, and metabolism. Genetic influences on nutrient needs and metabolism.

Prerequisites & Notes
Two courses in chemistry or permission. A nutrition class is recommended. Online, asynchronous course.

Credits: 3

Reason for course modification:

The description had not been modified to reflect new content. FSN 501 will be the gateway course in nutrition for online students in the proposed UMaineGOLD certificate and degree. Potential students may not have had a previous nutritional biochemistry class, so more basic information will be added to FSN 501.

SECTION 3 FOR COURSE ELIMINATIONS
Reason for Elimination

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GRADUATE PROGRAM/UNIT  Food Science and Human Nutrition

COURSE DESIGNATOR  FSN  COURSE NUMBER 530  EFFECTIVE SEMESTER Spring 2020

COURSE TITLE  Integrative and Functional Nutrition

REQUESTED ACTION

NEW COURSE (check all that apply, complete Section 1, and submit a complete syllabus):

☐ New Course
☐ New Course with Electronic Learning
☐ Experimental

MODIFICATION (Check all that apply and complete Section 2):

☐ Designator Change  ☐ Description Change  ☐ Cross Listing (must be at least 400-level)¹
☐ Number Change  ☐ Prerequisite Change
☐ Title Change  ☐ Credit Change
☒ Other (specify)  will be online

ELIMINATION:

☐ Course Elimination

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College Dean(s)

Graduate School [sign and date]

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<td>FSN 501, or permission. Prior classes in medical nutrition therapy recommended.</td>
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Reason for course modification:

The class is transitioning from a hybrid online/live class to one that is fully asynchronous except for scheduled mutually-convenient discussions via Zoom. FSN 530 will be an elective class in the GOLD graduate certificate in Human Nutrition, and is part of Professor Mary Ellen Camire's regular teaching load in Spring semesters of even years.

### SECTION 3 FOR COURSE ELIMINATIONS

Reason for Elimination

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GRADUATE PROGRAM/UNIT Food Science & Human Nutrition

COURSE DESIGNATOR FSN COURSE NUMBER 603 EFFECTIVE SEMESTER Summer 2019

COURSE TITLE Nutrients and Food Processing

REQUESTED ACTION

NEW COURSE (check all that apply, complete Section 1, and submit a complete syllabus):
- □ New Course
- □ New Course with Electronic Learning
- □ Experimental

MODIFICATION (Check all that apply and complete Section 2):
- □ Designator Change
- □ Description Change
- □ Cross Listing (must be at least 400-level)\(^1\)
- □ Number Change
- □ Prerequisite Change
- □ Other (specify)
- □ Title Change
- □ Credit Change

ELIMINATION:
- □ Course Elimination

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College Dean(s)

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Graduate School [sign and date]

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SECTION 2 (FOR COURSE MODIFICATIONS)

Current catalog description (include designator, number, title, prerequisites, credit hours):

FSN 603 Nutrients and Food Processing
Review of the changes in food nutrient composition and bioavailability during processing from harvest to consumers.

Prerequisites & Notes:
FSN 410, FSN 502 or permission.

Credits: 3

Proposed catalog description (include designator, number, title, prerequisites, credit hours):

FSN 603 Nutrient Changes in the Food System
Review of the changes in food nutrient and phytochemical composition and bioavailability from the farm through processing and distribution to consumers.

Prerequisites & Notes:
FSN 501 or permission.

Credits: 3

Reason for course modification:

Students did not understand that nutrition at all stages of the food system were discussed in the class. The course has included discussion of phytochemicals (non-nutrient chemicals in plant foods that offer health benefits) and the course description should reflect that inclusion. This class will be an elective for on-line graduate certificate students and full-time University of Maine graduate students in the Summer.

SECTION 3 FOR COURSE ELIMINATIONS

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GRADUATE PROGRAM/UNIT Master's of Science in Biomedical Engineering

COURSE DESIGNATOR BEN COURSE NUMBER 502 EFFECTIVE SEMESTER Fall 2019

COURSE TITLE Advanced Materials in Bio-inspired Engineering

REQUESTED ACTION

NEW COURSE (check all that apply, complete Section 1, and submit a complete syllabus):

☐ New Course
☐ New Course with Electronic Learning
☐ Experimental

MODIFICATION (Check all that apply and complete Section 2):

☐ Designator Change ☐ Description Change ☐ Cross Listing (must be at least 400-level)\(^1\)
☐ Number Change ☐ Prerequisite Change ☐ Other (specify)
☐ Title Change ☐ Credit Change

ELIMINATION:

☐ Course Elimination

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Douglas Bousfield Digitally signed by Douglas Bousfield
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College(s) Curriculum Committee Chair(s) [if applicable]

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College Dean(s)

Graduate School [sign and date]

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SECTION 1 (FOR NEW COURSE PROPOSALS)

Proposed Catalog Description (include designator, number, title, prerequisites, credit hours):

BEN 502 Advanced Materials in Bio-inspired Engineering
This course will cover advanced materials inspired by nature using directed problem solving and hands-on exploration, building on information learned in BEN 403. Students will be exposed to the power of an integrated approach to engineering which draws on biological principles and materials science to create the materials of the future. Class notes: Students will need to have a good background in chemistry, physics, biology, and mathematics. Credit hours: 3

Components (type of course/used by Student Records for MaineStreet) – Multiple selections are possible for courses with multiple non-graded components:

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☐ Laboratory  ☐ Lecture/Seminar  ☐ Recitation  ☐ Independent Study  ☐ Thesis

Text(s) planned for use:

N/A

Course Instructor (include name, position, teaching load):

Caitlin Howell, Assistant Professor of Biomedical Engineering
Teaching load: 1-2 courses per semester

Reason for new course:

To align the MS degree our department now offers with the undergraduate degree, and to make the degree a meaningful step towards a career or another graduate degree, we think important changes are needed to the current MS degree in Biological Engineering as soon as possible. In addition, the requirement of 12 credit hours of 500 level or above classes for MS degrees is hard for our current students to meet. With the recent hire of two Lecturers and two Assistant Professors, we should be able to offer some graduate level classes at least on bi-annual basis. We think some of the undergraduate students will be interested to take these classes as technical electives.

Does the course addition require additional department or institutional facilities, support and/or resources, e.g. new lab facilities, computer support and services, staffing (including graduate teaching assistants), or library subscriptions and resources?

☐ No. The department will not request additional resources for this course.
☐ Yes. Please list additional resources required and note how they will be funded or supported.

What other departments/programs are affected (e.g. course overlap, prerequisites)? Have affected departments/programs been consulted? Any concerns expressed? Please explain.

How often will this course be offered? Will offering this course result in overload salary payments, either through the college or CED, either to the instructor of this course or to anyone else as a result of rearranging teaching assignments?

This course will be offered bi-annually in the Spring. There will not be any overload salary associated with it.
BEN 502  Advanced Materials in Bio-inspired Design

Catalog Description:
In this course we will explore cutting-edge, bio-inspired design solutions as well as the process of discovering and understanding the natural principles behind them. Students will then develop their own bio-inspired design, drawing from and synthesizing their knowledge of engineering, biology, chemistry, and physics to address a relevant problem in industry or medicine.

Credit Hours: 3

Class notes: Students will need to have a good background in chemistry, physics, biology, and mathematics.

Textbook Required: TBD

Course Objectives:
At the end of the course, students will be able to:
- Describe the engineering principles behind a range of current bio-inspired technologies
- Analyze quantitative concepts from the primary literature describing the biology, chemistry, and physics behind a natural system
- Synthesize interdisciplinary concepts to creatively identify bio-inspired solutions
- Engineer an effective bio-inspired design into a product to address a current problem

Topics Covered:
- Current bio-inspired designs and strategies including
  - Biomedical Materials
  - Robotics
  - Active Surfaces
  - Computing
  - Optics
  - Energy harvesting and saving materials
- Engineering assessment of natural objects and systems
- Bio-inspired ideation of solutions to student-identified problems

Grading:
Special Topic Research and Discussion: 20 pts each: 140 pts total
Found Object Exercises: 20 pts each: 60 pts total
Final Design Project: 50 pts
Class Effort 50 pts

TOTAL 250 pts
The assignments will be scored using a detailed rubric given at the start of class. Letter grades will follow typical levels of \( >93\% = A; \ 90\% = A-; \ 87\% = B+; \ 83\% = B; \ 80\% = B-; \ 77\% = C+; \ 73\% = C; \ 70\% = C- \). 

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GRADUATE PROGRAM/UNIT  Master's of Science in Biomedical Engineering

COURSE DESIGNATOR  BEN  COURSE NUMBER  503  EFFECTIVE SEMESTER  Fall 2019

COURSE TITLE  Advanced Instrumentation Design

REQUESTED ACTION

NEW COURSE (check all that apply, complete Section 1, and submit a complete syllabus):

- New Course
- New Course with Electronic Learning
- Experimental

MODIFICATION (Check all that apply and complete Section 2):

- Designator Change
- Description Change
- Cross Listing (must be at least 400-level) ¹
- Number Change
- Prerequisite Change
- Other (specify)
- Title Change
- Credit Change

ELIMINATION:

- Course Elimination

ENDORSEMENTS

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SECTION 1 (FOR NEW COURSE PROPOSALS)

Proposed Catalog Description (include designator, number, title, prerequisites, credit hours):

This project based course will focus on the rational design of instrumentation for the observation and quantification of specific phenomena in complex and biological systems. A range of widely used clinical, diagnostic and therapeutic techniques will be reviewed through study of literature. Individual student projects form the basis for class discussion where theory, design, component specification and assessment, of capabilities and limitations, are explored. Sensitivity analysis will be employed to identify design weaknesses and fundamental design limitations. Detailed and fully specified instrumental designs will be produced and their feasibility assessed. Credit Hours: 3

Components (type of course/used by Student Records for MaineStreet) – Multiple selections are possible for courses with multiple non-graded components:

- [ ] Applied Music
- [ ] Clinical
- [ ] Field Experience/Internship
- [ ] Research
- [ ] Studio
- [ ] Laboratory
- [ ] Lecture/Seminar
- [ ] Recitation
- [ ] Independent Study
- [ ] Thesis

Text(s) planned for use:

_to be determined._

Course Instructor (include name, position, teaching load):

Mike Mason, Professor, 1-2 courses per semester.

Reason for new course:

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Does the course addition require additional department or institutional facilities, support and/or resources, e.g. new lab facilities, computer support and services, staffing (including graduate teaching assistants), or library subscriptions and resources?

- [ ] No. The department will not request additional resources for this course.
- [ ] Yes. Please list additional resources required and note how they will be funded or supported.

What other departments/programs are affected (e.g. course overlap, prerequisites)? Have affected departments/programs been consulted? Any concerns expressed? Please explain.

This course builds on BEN 403. There is no overlap with other courses taught at the University of Maine. There are no formal prerequisites, but students with little background should take BEN 403 first.

How often will this course be offered? Will offering this course result in overload salary payments, either through the college or CEO, either to the instructor of this course or to anyone else as a result of rearranging teaching assignments?

This course will be offered at least every other year. No overload is required.
BEN 503  
Advanced Instrument Design

Catalog Description:  
This project based course will focus on the rational design of instrumentation for the observation and quantification of specific phenomena in complex and biological systems. A range of widely used clinical, diagnostic and therapeutic techniques will be reviewed through study of literature. Individual student projects form the basis for class discussion where theory, design, component specification and assessment, of capabilities and limitations, are explored. Sensitivity analysis will be employed to identify design weaknesses and fundamental design limitations. Detailed and fully specified instrumental designs will be produced and their feasibility assessed.

Credit Hours: 3

Class Notes:  Students will need to have a good background in chemistry, physics and mathematics.

Textbook Required: TBD

Course Objectives  
At the end of this course, students should be able to
- Identify and quantify governing physical phenomena leading to observable signal
- Apply sensitivity analysis to identify key design weaknesses and limitations
- Design instrumentation to optimize sensitivity for desired quantity of interest
- Understand how Signal, Noise and Contrast influence instrumentation.
- Summarize, specify and communicate design elements

Topics Covered:  
- Review of photo-physical phenomena leading to observable signals
- Absolute and relative sensitivity
- Application of physical limitation to design
- Discrete energy balance and design process
- Design specification and optimization
- Hardware validation

Grading:  

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The assignments will be scored using a detailed rubric given at the start of class. Letter grades will follow typical levels of >93%=A; 90%-93%=A-; 87%-90%=B+; 83%-87%=B; 80%-83%=B-; 77%-80%=C+; 73%-77%=C; 70%-73%=C-.

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GRADUATE PROGRAM/UNIT  Master's of Science in Biomedical Engineering

COURSE DESIGNATOR  BEN  COURSE NUMBER  512  EFFECTIVE SEMESTER  Fall 2019

COURSE TITLE  Modeling of Biomedical Systems

REQUESTED ACTION

NEW COURSE (check all that apply, complete Section 1, and submit a complete syllabus):

☑ New Course

☐ New Course with Electronic Learning

☐ Experimental

MODIFICATION (Check all that apply and complete Section 2):

☐ Designator Change  ☐ Description Change  ☐ Cross Listing (must be at least 400-level)

☐ Number Change  ☐ Prerequisite Change  ☐ Other (specify)

☐ Title Change  ☐ Credit Change

ELIMINATION:

☐ Course Elimination

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SECTION 1 (FOR NEW COURSE PROPOSALS)

Proposed Catalog Description (include designator, number, title, prerequisites, credit hours):

This course will focus on the use of advanced computational tools to help quantify biomedical solutions that address clinical, therapeutic, and diagnostic problems. The use of a finite element program to describe situations such as blood flow in complex passages, flow in microfluidic devices, oxygen transport in tissue, and drug delivery will be emphasized as well as other techniques.

Credit Hours: 3

Components (type of course/used by Student Records for MaineStreet) – Multiple selections are possible for courses with multiple non-graded components:

☐ Applied Music  ☐ Clinical  ☐ Field Experience/Internship  ☐ Research  ☐ Studio
☐ Laboratory  ☐ Lecture/Seminar  ☐ Recitation  ☐ Independent Study  ☐ Thesis

Text(s) planned for use:

Transport Phenomena in Biological Systems, Truskey, Yuan and Katz, Pearson

Course Instructor (include name, position, teaching load):

TBD

Reason for new course:

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Does the course addition require additional department or institutional facilities, support and/or resources, e.g. new lab facilities, computer support and services, staffing (including graduate teaching assistants), or library subscriptions and resources?

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Credit Hours: 3

Class notes: Students will need a good background in calculus and differential equations.


Course Objectives
At the end of this course, students should be able to
• Recognize the proper transport, mechanical, or electrical equations that govern the key physics given any situation
• Simplify complex problems to those that are tractable with the available tools
• Arrive at solutions that give meaningful guidelines for the design of biomedical solutions
• Communicate solutions in a concise manner

Topics Covered:
• Introduction to basic transport laws
• Introduction to finite element methods
• Equations of momentum
• Non-Newtonian rheology
• Mass transfer and diffusion
• Unsteady-state scenarios
• Complex problems involving a combination of physics

Grading: Students will work on around ten projects. Each project will require a concise report. The reports will be scored on the basis of 100 points using a detailed rubric given at the start of class. Letter grades will follow typical levels of >93%=A; > 90%=A- ; >87%=B+; >83%=B; >80%=B-; > 77%=C+; >73% = C; >70%=C-.

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GRADUATE PROGRAM/UNIT  Master's of Science in Biomedical Engineering

COURSE DESIGNATOR  BEN  COURSE NUMBER  580  EFFECTIVE SEMESTER  Fall 2019

COURSE TITLE  Computational Methods in Biomedical Engineering

REQUESTED ACTION

NEW COURSE  (check all that apply, complete Section 1, and submit a complete syllabus):

☐ New Course
☐ New Course with Electronic Learning
☐ Experimental

MODIFICATION  (Check all that apply and complete Section 2):

☐ Designator Change  ☐ Description Change  ☐ Cross Listing (must be at least 400-level)\(^1\)
☐ Number Change  ☐ Prerequisite Change  ☐ Other (specify)
☐ Title Change  ☐ Credit Change

ELIMINATION:

☐ Course Elimination

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College Dean(s)

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SECTION 1 (FOR NEW COURSE PROPOSALS)

Proposed Catalog Description (include designator, number, title, prerequisites, credit hours):

In this course we explore cutting-edge computational methods and their applications to study biomedical data, from DNA sequence data, to fluorescence microscopy, radiography, holography, and next-generation label free imaging techniques. Computational tools studied including scripting languages such as Python and Perl, statistical software such as R, and image analysis software such as ImageJ.

Credit hours: 3

Components (type of course/used by Student Records for MaineStreet) – Multiple selections are possible for courses with multiple non-graded components:

☐ Applied Music  ☐ Clinical  ☐ Field Experience/Internship  ☐ Research  ☐ Studio
☐ Laboratory  ☐ Lecture/Seminar  ☐ Recitation  ☐ Independent Study  ☐ Thesis

Text(s) planned for use:


Course Instructor (include name, position, teaching load):

Andre Khalil, Associate Professor of Biomedical Engineering
Teaching load: 1-2 courses per semester

Reason for new course:

To align our current MS degree in Biomedical Engineering with the undergraduate degree, and to make the degree a meaningful step towards a career or another graduate degree, important changes are needed. In addition, the 12-credit hours requirement of 500 level or above classes for MS degrees is hard for our current students to meet with the limited 500 level courses offered. With the recent addition of five faculty (two Lecturers, two Assistant Professors, and an Associate Professor), we are able to offer graduate level classes at least on a bi-annual basis. Undergrad will...

Does the course addition require additional department or institutional facilities, support and/or resources, e.g. new lab facilities, computer support and services, staffing (including graduate teaching assistants), or library subscriptions and resources?

☐ No. The department will not request additional resources for this course.

☐ Yes. Please list additional resources required and note how they will be funded or supported.

What other departments/programs are affected (e.g. course overlap, prerequisites)? Have affected departments/programs been consulted? Any concerns expressed? Please explain.

No course overlap. Prerequisites are normal mathematics background for engineering students.

How often will this course be offered? Will offering this course result in overload salary payments, either through the college or CED, either to the instructor of this course or to anyone else as a result of rearranging teaching assignments?

This course will be offered annually in the Fall. There will not be any overload salary associated with it.
BEN 580: Computational Methods in Biomedical Engineering
Fall 2019

Catalog Description:

In this course we explore cutting-edge computational methods and their applications to study biomedical data, from DNA sequence data, to fluorescence microscopy, radiography, holography, and next-generation label-free imaging techniques. Computational tools studied including scripting languages such as Python and Perl, statistical software such as R, and image analysis software such as ImageJ.

Credit hours: 3

Class notes: Students will need to have a good background in calculus and differential equations.


Course Objectives:

- Learn about basic and advanced computational techniques in biomedical engineering
- Explore the field of radiomics and computational engineering with biomedical data
- Become familiar with software MATLAB, R, ImageJ/Fiji, LastWave, and others.

Grading:

Each student will work on around eight assignments of varying difficulty. The reports will be scored on the basis of 100 points using a detailed rubric given at the start of class. Letter grades will follow typical levels of >93%=A; >90%=A-; >87%=B+; >83%=B; >80%=B-; >77%=C+; >73%=C; >70%=C-.

Topics Covered:

- Programming basics
- Numerical techniques in differential equations and linear algebra
- Biostatistics
- Biomedical signal processing
- Multidimensional biomedical data analysis
- Analysis of biomedical images

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GRADUATE PROGRAM/UNIT Molecular and Biomedical Sciences

COURSE DESIGNATOR BMB COURSE NUMBER 520 EFFECTIVE SEMESTER F 19

COURSE TITLE Introduction to Image Analysis

REQUESTED ACTION

NEW COURSE (check all that apply, complete Section 1, and submit a complete syllabus):

[ ] New Course
[ ] New Course with Electronic Learning
[ ] Experimental

MODIFICATION (Check all that apply and complete Section 2):

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[ ] Number Change  [ ] Prerequisite Change  [ ] Other (specify)
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ELIMINATION:  
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SECTION 1 (FOR NEW COURSE PROPOSALS)

Proposed Catalog Description (include designator, number, title, prerequisites, credit hours):

BMB 520 Introduction to Image Analysis. 3 Credit Hours. Prerequisites: None. The current expectations of rigor and reproducibility in biomedical sciences require quantification of results obtained through microscopy. This course introduces students to the basics of working with digital microscopy images and focuses on the quantification of fluorescence microscopy data using ImageJ and MATLAB.

Components (type of course/used by Student Records for MaineStreet) – Multiple selections are possible for courses with multiple non-graded components:

☐ Applied Music ☐ Clinical ☐ Field Experience/Internship ☐ Research ☐ Studio
☐ Laboratory ☐ Lecture/Seminar ☐ Recitation ☐ Independent Study ☐ Thesis

Text(s) planned for use:

No assigned texts

Course Instructor (include name, position, teaching load):

Joshua Kelley, Assistant Professor, 50% teaching

Reason for new course:

Most students in biomedical research will perform experiments that make use of microscopy at some point, but are often unprepared to make use of the data generated. This course will serve to prepare our graduate students (and advanced undergraduates) to properly analyze microscopy data. This course was previously offered in Fall of 2017 as a special topics course, BMB 597.

Does the course addition require additional department or institutional facilities, support and/or resources, e.g. new lab facilities, computer support and services, staffing (including graduate teaching assistants), or library subscriptions and resources?

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☐ Yes. Please list additional resources required and note how they will be funded or supported.

What other departments/programs are affected (e.g. course overlap, prerequisites)? Have affected departments/programs been consulted? Any concerns expressed? Please explain.

How often will this course be offered? Will offering this course result in overload salary payments, either through the college or CED, either to the instructor of this course or to anyone else as a result of rearranging teaching assignments?

This course will be offered every other fall, starting with Fall 2019. This will not require overload.
Hi Josh,

I wanted to confirm with you that Andre Khalil's class, Computational Methods in Biology that was a core GSBSE course from 2005-2018, will no longer be offered. I am very excited that you are offering a course that incorporates MATLAB because that skillset will be incredibly useful for today's GSBSE students.

Best, Clarissa

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Clarissa Henry
Associate Professor, School of Biology and Ecology
Program Director, Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences and Engineering
University of Maine
Clarissa.Henry@maine.edu
207-581-2816
BMB 520: Introduction to Image Analysis

Course Information:

3 Credit Hours

Instructor: Dr. Joshua Kelley, Assistant Professor, Department of Molecular and Biomedical Sciences

Office Address: Room 312 Hitchner Hall

Email: joshua.b.kelley@maine.edu

Phone: (207) 581-2957

Class Website: Google classroom (classroom.google.com)

Meeting Time: Tuesday/Thursday 9:30 – 10:50 in Shibles 320

Course Objectives: This course aims to provide practical training in extracting data from images for cell and molecular biologists. It will cover how to take images that are to be quantified including documentation of gels/blots and light microscopy, how to process those images, and extract data from them. Students will learn to use Imagej (FIJI) and MATLAB for image analysis. The course will cover approaches to common problems, such as quantifying colocalization and translocation, and segmentation of images. The course will cover generation of graphs in Excel and MATLAB for publication, and generating high quality figures of imaging results in vector graphics software.

A laptop computer will be required for every class. Through much of this course, the students will be engaging in image processing and analysis in class, so a computer to accomplish these things will be important. If you have any difficulty with this requirement, please contact Professor Kelley.

Disclaimer: Dr. Kelley reserves the right to deviate from the syllabus.

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**Grading and Course Expectations**

- 35% Final Project
- 40% Case Studies / Class Assignments
- 25% participation

**Final Project:** This will be an image analysis project of your own design, preferably addressing a problem you have in your own research. It will involve an introduction to the scientific and technical question, a description of the image analysis method you are using to solve your problem, and a figure showing the images analyzed and the data analysis results.

**Case Studies/Class Assignments:** Throughout the semester we will be working on specific image analysis problems, making figures, or other related projects that will be turned in for a grade.

**Participation:** This course involves significant hands on work in class, and should be thought of as a laboratory course. Attendance is very important, as is engagement in course. If either attendance or engagement is a problem you will be informed that your participation grade will be dropped if participation does not improve.

**Grading Scale:** Guaranteed minimum Letter grades are assigned on the basis of the total accumulated points:

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Policy Statements:

The following University Policies are available at the U Maine CITL website, https://umaine.edu/citl/teaching-resources-2/required-syllabus-information/

- Academic Honesty Statement
  o Do not claim someone else's work as your own
  o https://umaine.edu/citl/teaching-resources-2/required-syllabus-information/#Academic

- Student Accessibility Services Statement
  o If you need accommodations, these people will help
  o https://umaine.edu/citl/teaching-resources-2/required-syllabus-information/#Accessibility

- Course Schedule Disclaimer
  o Sometimes the schedule has to change
  o https://umaine.edu/citl/teaching-resources-2/required-syllabus-information/#Schedule

- Observance of Religious Holidays/Events
  o Religious holidays are important and you should be able to celebrate yours.
  o https://umaine.edu/citl/teaching-resources-2/required-syllabus-information/#Observance

- Sexual Discrimination Reporting
  o Sexual discrimination is bad, tell someone if it happens.
  o https://umaine.edu/citl/teaching-resources-2/required-syllabus-information/#Reporting_Long
NEW COURSE PROPOSAL/MODIFICATION/ELIMINATION FORM FOR GRADUATE COURSES
Graduate course proposals, modifications, or eliminations must be submitted to the Graduate School no later than the 3rd of each month. Please refer to the Graduate School website for the Curriculum Committee meetings schedule. Electronic signatures and submission is required.

Please return the completed e-form with appropriate signatures and documentation to the Graduate School by saving the form to your desktop and sending as an attachment to graduate@maine.edu. Please include in the subject line ‘Course Proposal’ and the course designator and number.

GRADUATE PROGRAM/UNIT  EDT Instructional Technology COEHD
COURSE DESIGNATOR  EDT  COURSE NUMBER 532  EFFECTIVE SEMESTER Summer 19
COURSE TITLE  Creative and Connected Learning Environments

REQUESTED ACTION

NEW COURSE (check all that apply, complete Section 1, and submit a complete syllabus):

☐ New Course
☐ New Course with Electronic Learning
☐ Experimental

MODIFICATION (Check all that apply and complete Section 2):

☐ Designator Change  ☐ Description Change  ☐ Cross Listing (must be at least 400-level)\(^1\)
☐ Number Change  ☐ Prerequisite Change  ☐ Other (specify)
☐ Title Change  ☐ Credit Change

ELIMINATION:

☐ Course Elimination

ENDORSEMENTS

Please sign using electronic signatures. If you do not already have a digital signature, please click within the correct box below and follow the on-screen instructions.

Leader, Initiating Department/Unit(s)  

College(s) Curriculum Committee Chair(s) (if applicable)  

College Dean(s)  

Graduate School [sign and date]  

\(^1\) Courses cross-listed below 400-level require the permission of the Graduate School.
SECTION 1 (FOR NEW COURSE PROPOSALS)

Proposed Catalog Description (include designator, number, title, prerequisites, credit hours):

EDT 532 Creative and Connected Learning Environments
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3 credits
No Pre-Req

Components (type of course/used by Student Records for MaineStreet) – Multiple selections are possible for courses with multiple non-graded components:

☐ Applied Music  ☐ Clinical  ☐ Field Experience/Internship  ☐ Research  ☐ Studio
☐ Laboratory  ☐ Lecture/Seminar  ☐ Recitation  ☐ Independent Study  ☐ Thesis

Text(s) planned for use:


Course Instructor (Include name, position, teaching load):

Mia Morrison - Instructor COEHD 4/4 teaching load

Reason for new course:

We are seeking to expand the number of electives without a pre-req such that we can offer more choices to our own EDT students, and to K-12 educators in other COEHD programs such as Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment. Additionally, we hope to meet the re-certification needs of classroom teachers who may not be enrolled in a degree program. This course allows a huge range of educators to join.

Does the course addition require additional department or institutional facilities, support and/or resources, e.g. new lab facilities, computer support and services, staffing (including graduate teaching assistants), or library subscriptions and resources?

☐ No. The department will not request additional resources for this course.
☐ Yes. Please list additional resources required and note how they will be funded or supported.

This course will likely be taught as an overload given the summer offering. Will be covered through program revenue

What other departments/programs are affected (e.g. course overlap, prerequisites)? Have affected departments/programs been consulted? Any concerns expressed? Please explain.

We only anticipate this course being a beneficial offering for other programs needing online courses in the summer months.

How often will this course be offered? Will offering this course result in overload salary payments, either through the college or CED, either to the instructor of this course or to anyone else as a result of rearranging teaching assignments?

Currently we plan for summer of even years, however, we will monitor demand.
**College of Education and Human Development**  
Graduate Course Proposal Routing Slip

**Date**  
October 2, 2018

**From:** College of Education of Education & Human Development

**Course Proposals** (Write in Course Designator & Title of Course)

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**Revised 3/2018**  
COEHD Graduate Office
EDT 532 Creative and Connected Learning Environments

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Overview
In the Creative and Connected Learning Environments course, participants will begin by exploring the current technology standards in education to frame and understand their work with students in the classroom. They will explore, reflect upon, and apply pedagogical frameworks around teaching, encouraging and assessing creativity as well as leveraging digital tools and strategies to connect beyond the classroom walls. Participants will consider the promotion and effects of learner engagement, ownership, and empowerment.

1. Plan developmentally appropriate learning experiences that model, teach, and assess creative thinking.
2. Examine the role of collaboration in the creative process.
3. Apply current national technology standards to design learning environments that promote creativity and connections beyond the classroom walls.
4. Demonstrate the ability to plan for learning experiences that move beyond engagement to empowerment.
5. Network with both local and global communities for professional growth.
6. Demonstrate strategies to connect pK-12 students with experts and others outside the classroom walls to enhance learning outcomes; promote ownership, and increase relevance.
7. Engage in reflective practice and goal setting through various modalities.

Course Essential Questions

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<th>EDT Course-Based Essential Questions</th>
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<td>How do educators leverage technology to create environments that support the development of diverse skills, and emphasize challenging learning experiences?</td>
<td>Learning Environments</td>
<td>How might we use cognitive principles and conceptual models of technology integration to design effective instruction and assessment?</td>
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<td>How can technology enhance teaching and learning partnerships that support and</td>
<td>Teaching and Learning</td>
<td>How might we use technology to enhance real world, collaborative, learner centered education?</td>
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promote innovative models of deeper learning?

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<th>How can educators promote an understanding of the social, ethical and legal issues and responsibilities related to a globally connected society?</th>
<th>Digital Citizenship</th>
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<td>How can educators develop and model pedagogical and andragogical principles of learning to promote professional growth and practice in a globally connected society?</td>
<td>Professional Practice</td>
<td>How might we use knowledge of andragogy and pedagogy to enhance our ability to leverage educational technology for teaching and learning?</td>
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<td>How can educators align vision, implementation, and practice to foster learning enhanced by technology?</td>
<td>Leadership</td>
<td>How might we advocate for appropriate use of technology in teaching and learning?</td>
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**Student Learning Outcomes**

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<th>Learning Environments</th>
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<th>Articulate a personal philosophy of educational practice that demonstrates awareness of educational psychology, cognitive principles, conceptual models for technology integration (i.e. TPACK, SAMR)) and learning theory</th>
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<td>Demonstrate fluency with new educational tools, and articulate the affordances and constraints of such tools to support educational practice</td>
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<td>Plan for educational experience (of K-12 students or adults learners) that demonstrates the ability to use educational technology, sound educational philosophy, and plan for local context</td>
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<td>List filters for considering new educational tools that demonstrate awareness of ethical, legal, and safety implications of educational technology</td>
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<td>Articulate the difference between andragogy and pedagogy</td>
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<td>Through various modalities engage in reflective practice and goal setting</td>
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<td>Read and synthesize literature and research on educational technology to support personal experiences and deepen conceptual knowledge</td>
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<td>Engage with peers and professional learning network through a variety of modalities to lead and contribute to discussions on educational technology to support deeper reasoning</td>
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**Required Readings and Texts**

All materials for this course will be made available online through BlackBoard and other learning management tools.

**Grading and Course Expectations**

- All assignment details, descriptions, rubrics and associated points are posted in BlackBoard.
- Your final grade will be based on your cumulative score on all assignments.
In addition to your required work there will be an active engagement element to your performance in each unit. Regular and meaningful participation is expected.

A note on extra-credit: I hope all the assignments in this class give you a chance to take your learning to the next step, so I do not provide options for extra credit. If you’d like to propose an alternative assignment to achieve course outcomes, I am open to a discussion. As always, communication is a key element to best outcomes.

All work is due on the assigned date, please be in contact in advance if there is an emergency to make other arrangements as I do not accept late submissions.

**Course Schedule**
- There is no final exam.
- Each week will run Monday morning to Sunday evening, midnight.
- Work is due on assigned dates, any exceptions to this schedule must be made in advance. Please note that with online courses, discussion forum participation must be regular and on-going. There is a document on Blackboard the discusses how to be a successful online student.
- I do not accept late work. Please communicate any difficulties BEFORE deadlines for alternate scheduling as needed. There may be no options but let’s discuss before it is late.
- BlackBoard will contain a more detailed course schedule with assignments and due dates.

**Course Outline**
*details subject to change*

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<td>- Methods of outreach, expression and connection</td>
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<td>- Creation of lesson that encompasses both global citizenship and student</td>
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Learning

- Reflection of learning environment, culture
- Research around self selected topic - connection to what is happening in education
- Set goals for next semester/new year

5 Professional Practice, Learning Environments & Leadership

21c Learning Environments

- Space, teaching, learning, connecting in 21c
- Culture and being a catalyst
- Exploration of SAMR and EdTech Quintet
- Final synthesis project
  - amplification of student voice
  - promotion of creativity
  - creating global connections, perspective
  - inspiring lifelong learning
  - teacher created resources
  - alignment to standards (SAMR, EdTQ)
  - connection to research

Grading

- Weekly Assignments (60%)
- Participation / Engagement (10%)
- Capstone (30%)

Grading

- A = 94-100
- A- = 90-93.9
- B+ = 87-89.9
- B = 83-86.9
- B- = 80-82.9
- C+ = 77-79.9
- C = 73-76.9
- C- = 70-72.9
- D+ = 67-69.9
- D = 63-66.9
- D- = 60-62.9
- F = 0-59.9

Course Schedule Disclaimer
In the event of an extended disruption of normal classroom activities, the format for this course may be modified to enable its completion within its programmed time frame. In that event, you will be provided an addendum to the syllabus that will supersede this version.

My Philosophy and Policies

Adult Learners & Goal Setting
It is my desire to meet you, understand your background in education/industry, and your interest in using educational technology. I encourage you to advocate for how this course and each assignment meets your context and professional goals. Please take the opportunity to propose how this course can better meet your goals.

General Information
This course is a graduate course, I assume you are adult learners committed to the course objectives and also that you have busy personal and professional lives. I look forward to supporting you with the creation, development, and plan for your learning. I have clearly
published the course schedule and expect you to manage your learning to meet deadlines and achieve the course outcomes. I am committed to supporting you and am available for virtual or in-person meetings.

A few helpful notes:
- This course is an online course.
- Regular engagement with the course materials, learning management tools, and the instructor are expected.
- Each week expect to spend between 10-15 hours of work on your assignments.
- Assignments are expected on the due date.
- I am easily accessible and am happy to check in. I will respond to email questions quickly, and am happy to arrange phone, virtual, or in-person meetings.

**Communication**
Blackboard and email will be the channels of communication for this course. Blackboard will be used to store all course-related links and documents. [https://www.courses.maine.edu/](https://www.courses.maine.edu/) use your UMS username and password to access the course site. I expect you have activated and use your @maine.edu email (or have it forwarded to another account) so you will receive course communications. If you are trying to reach me, email is the best way to contact me.

**Technology**
This course will use a variety of technologies. It is required that you have access to high-speed internet connection, access to a computer with a modern processor, and the ability to work with different document formats. It is important that you have backup strategies in place to ensure your work is not lost.

**Email:** dlltechhelp@maine.edu
**Work Phone** 1.877.947.4357 (HELP) or 207.581.4591
**Office Location** 5 Chadbourne Hall The University of Maine
**Office Hours** Technical support office hours: 8am to 4:30pm (M-F) during May Term, Summer & Breaks 8am to 6pm (M-Th) & 8am to 5pm (F) during Fall & Spring semesters Limited Email Support Nights, Weekends, School Breaks & Holidays
**Notes** [https://online.umaine.edu/tech-support/](https://online.umaine.edu/tech-support/)

**UNIVERSITY POLICIES**

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**Students with disabilities statement:**
If you have a disability for which you may be requesting an accommodation, please contact Student Accessibility Services, 121 East Annex, 581.2319, as early as possible
in the term. Students who have already been approved for accommodations by SAS and have a current accommodation letter should meet with me (the instructor of the course) privately as soon as possible.

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**Sexual Violence Policy**

**Sexual Discrimination Reporting**
The University of Maine is committed to making campus a safe place for students. Because of this commitment, if you tell any of your teachers about sexual discrimination involving members of the campus, your teacher is required to report this information to the campus Office of Sexual Assault & Violence Prevention or the Office of Equal Opportunity.

Behaviors that can be “sexual discrimination” include sexual assault, sexual harassment, stalking, relationship abuse (dating violence and domestic violence), sexual misconduct, and gender discrimination. Therefore, all of these behaviors must be reported.

**Why do teachers have to report sexual discrimination?**
The university can better support students in trouble if we know about what is happening. Reporting also helps us to identify patterns that might arise – for example, if more than one victim reports having been assaulted or harassed by the same individual.

**What will happen to a student if a teacher reports?**
An employee from the Office of Sexual Assault & Violence Prevention or the Office of Equal Opportunity will reach out to you and offer support, resources, and information. You will be invited to meet with the employee to discuss the situation and the various options available to you.

If you have requested confidentiality, the University will weigh your request that no action be taken against the institution’s obligation to provide a safe, nondiscriminatory environment for all students. If the University determines that it can maintain confidentiality, you must understand that the institution’s ability to meaningfully investigate the incident and pursue disciplinary action, if warranted, may be limited. There are times when the University may not be able to honor a request for
The University is committed to the well-being of all students and will take steps to protect all involved from retaliation or harm. If you want to talk in confidence to someone about an experience of sexual discrimination, please contact these resources:

**For confidential resources on campus:**
- Counseling Center: 207-581-1392 or CutlerHealth Center: at 207-581-4000.
- For confidential resources off campus: Rape Response Services: 1-800-871-7741 or Spruce Run: 1-800-863-9909.

**Other resources:**
The resources listed below can offer support but may have to report the incident to others who can help. For support services on campus:
- Office of Sexual Assault & Violence Prevention: 207-581-1406
- Office of Community Standards: 207-581-1409
- University of Maine Police: 207-581-4040 or 911
Or see the OSAVP website for a complete list of services at [http://www.umaine.edu/osavp/](http://www.umaine.edu/osavp/)
University of Maine

1. Title
   Degree: Master of Science
   Area: Data Science and Engineering
   CIP Code: 30.3001

2. Persons Responsible for Planning
   Kate Beard, Graduate Coordinator, Spatial Informatics Programs
   Penny Rheingans, Director, School of Computing and Information Science
   348 Boardman Hall, University of Maine, Orono, ME 04469-5711

3. General Objective of Proposal
   We propose a M.S. degree in Data Science and Engineering as a hybrid degree with both on-line and in-class options. Initially the participating courses will be a mix of in-class and hybrid (in-class-on-line) options with the expectation that over time, a majority of courses will move to hybrid dual or solely on-line versions.

   The program includes a set of core courses and a set of domain specializations. Students can focus solely on the Data Science and Engineering core or tailor the degree to a domain specialization. The initial domain specializations we propose to offer include bioinformatics, spatial informatics, and business. To complement both core and domain specializations, some courses may be taken in-class or by distance from other Maine universities if pre-approved for inclusion in graduate student Programs of Study assuming that other program requirements are met.

   (1) Program Rationale:

   Data science relies on a novel mix of mathematical and statistical modeling, computational thinking and methods, data representation and management, effective information presentation, and consideration for responsible use of data in the context of various fields of domain expertise. Data science requires a deep understanding of how data are acquired and an understanding of the semantics of the data, which strongly influences how data are processed, analyzed, stored, accessed, and presented. Data lineage, data quality, quality assurance, data integration, storage, privacy, and security are all critical topics in a robust data science program. Longer-term
management and reuse of data is also becoming critical, so longer-term curation and data preservation must also be addressed.

Data science and engineering has become a critical skill field for the 21st century. A host of new technologies (advanced computer modelling, smart sensor networks, high-precision lab instruments, wireless telecommunications, smart devices, and social media) are generating data collections at unprecedented rates. There are numerous new applications for such data in engineering, environmental, and social sciences as well as in business, industry, and government. The pervasive application of artificial intelligence (AI) techniques in continuous mining of big data across diverse domains is now viewed as essential by businesses and government in improving decision-making and acquiring insights that were not previously possible.

Data science and engineering addresses the challenges of capturing, curating, managing, processing, analyzing, and translating massive, complex, heterogeneous, and real-time data into manageable forms, new information, and scientific insights. The engineering aspects involve the design and development of information systems and data infrastructure to incorporate and implement the new information and insights. For businesses, governments and academic institutions throughout Maine and beyond there is a growing need for a workforce well trained in exactly such skills.

The University of Maine has a solid foundation of existing strengths and resources for developing a Data Science and Engineering M.S. degree offering. The School of Computing and Information Science will provide the initial core course content. Subsequent domain specializations will be developed in collaboration with other units on campus (Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Department of Mathematics and Statistics, School of Earth and Climate Sciences, School of Biology and Ecology, School of Marine Science, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Department of Mechanical Engineering, Department of Chemistry, Department of Physics and Astronomy, Department of Psychology, Department of Molecular & Biomedical Sciences, School of Economics, and the College of Business)

(2) General Program Goals:

The objective of the Data Science and Engineering M.S. program is to meet the growing demand for graduates with core skills in managing and analyzing complex data and analytics challenges. The degree will provide a pathway for students from diverse fields to transition to multiple data science career paths by providing them with core graduate level courses across the spectrum of the data lifecycle. In support of the interdisciplinary spirit of data science and engineering, the program is designed to accommodate students from a wide range of undergraduate degrees or other graduate degree backgrounds with options for specialization in different domains.

A collection of hybrid courses with in-class and on-line options will support students in residence as well as meet the needs of people currently in the workforce or otherwise place bound and needing training or retraining in the area of Data Science and Engineering.

(3) Student Outcomes and Behavioral Objectives:
Students will develop knowledge and technical skills in a subset of at least four of the following five thematic areas depending on their backgrounds and interests:

- Data collection technologies
- Data management
- Data analytics
- Data visualization and human computer interaction
- Data security, preservation, and reuse

Students will have an option to complete a 30-credit project-based MS degree, a thesis based MS degree or a 15 credit certificate. Students completing the program will be expected to have familiarity with at least one programming language, data structures and database theory, the concepts for effectively managing data in different systems, (client-server systems, relational and object-oriented databases), have knowledge of statistical and analytical tools (data mining, machine learning), knowledge of effective visualization and presentation of information to different audiences, and knowledge of data security, curation, and preservation strategies.

4. **Documented Evidence of Need**

(1) **Workforce Needs**

The importance of data science and engineering to all fields is predicted to grow exponentially and has prompted the launch of cross-agency federal research programs in data science. Six federal departments and funding agencies (NSF, NIH, DoD, DARPA, DoE, and USGS) have prioritized an initiative to accelerate the pace of knowledge discovery in large datasets [1]. In the business world [2], forecasts put the yearly demand for roles relating to data development, data science, and data engineering to reach almost 700,000 openings by 2020. It has also been reported that the United States faces a shortage of more than 140,000 trained personnel to manage and analyze big data [3]. The Business-Higher Education Forum (BHEF) in 2019 projected continuing demand for graduates with data science and analytical skills [4].

![Graph showing projected job growth in data science and engineering](image)

[1] Big Data Research and Development Initiative, Obama administration 2012
(2) Targeted Audiences Related to the Need for Graduate Education in this Field

The advanced knowledge provided by graduate-level data science programs is needed across a wide range of commercial, non-profit, and government settings. Individuals in all areas of private and public enterprise need data science skills for data management, analytics, planning, and decision support. Maine’s industry and businesses, such as Kepware Technologies, IDEXX laboratories, Jackson Laboratory, Bath Iron Works, Maine Health Data Organization, Maine's HealthInfoNet, RM Beaumont Corp, Applied Thermal Sciences, and GWI, and startup companies such as CashStar and GreenPages Technology Solution, among many others stand to profit from data science and engineering research. In particular, we address the need for trained data analysts, which Maine’s Department of Labor predicts to grow the fastest among all computer-related jobs in Maine.

(3) Similar Programs Offered by Other Universities

Over 30 universities offer an online M.S. degree or certificate in Data Science. Some of these programs offer specializations, such as analytics, artificial intelligence, or data engineering. Part-time and full-time enrollment options are available for on-line data science degrees. Within the New England region, the following data science programs are offered:

**Massachusetts:** MIT: MicroMasters® program in Statistics and Data Science, Harvard: Graduate Certificate in Data Science. Northeastern, Boston University, UMass Amherst, and UMass Boston all offer graduate certificates in Data Analytics and/or Business Analytics. Bay Path University: Master of Science in Applied Data Science.

**Connecticut:** Central Connecticut State University: Graduate Certificate in Data Mining, Master of Science in Data Mining; Wesleyan University: Certificate in Applied Data Science

**New Hampshire:** New England College: Master of Science in Data Analytics and Business Statistics. Southern New Hampshire University: Master of Science in Data Analytics. University of New Hampshire: Graduate Certificate in Data Science, Graduate Certificate in Analytics, Master of Science in Analytics.

**Vermont:** University of Vermont: Master of Science in Biostatistical Sciences, Masters in Complex Systems and Data Science

**Rhode Island:** Brown University: Master of Science in Data Science – Campus only

5. A. Which campuses, agencies, organizations, institutions and individuals have you involved in the program?

Individuals contacted on the University of Maine campus are listed under the Personnel Section below. Dr. Matthew Bampton, Professor of Geography/Anthropology at USM has been
contacted about collaboration on the Data Science proposal USM is developing. Dr. Matthew Dube, lead proposer for an undergraduate degree at UMA has been contacted about sharing upper level courses and providing a pathway for students completing the undergraduate degree from UMA to continue in Data Science, through development of a joint 4+1 offering. We envision flexible options for students to include selected courses from other Maine universities (pre-approved, 400 level and above taken in-class or by distance) in their graduate student Programs of Study.

B. Which campuses, agencies, organizations, institutions and individuals do you plan to involve in the program?
All universities in Maine, public and private, that offer academic courses at the 400 level or above that are suitable for inclusion in Data Science and Engineering graduate programs of study will be contacted. We are particularly interested in engaging instructors on these campuses that are able and willing to teach such courses through distance technologies.

C. How?
The School of Computing and Information Science will provide the home for this degree program. Other individuals and units will be consulted on development of program components (team-taught courses, new course development). We propose an interdisciplinary Data Science and Engineering Oversight committee to develop a full proposal and provide guidance for program oversight going forward.

6. What type and/or extent of support is presently available?

Background
Several infrastructure resources already exist to support a strong Data Science and Engineering initiative. The University of Maine has established infrastructure in high-performance networks and computer clusters to support big data research. The Three Ring Binder and the Maine Research and Education network tie together large portions of Maine’s network traffic including network traffic for all K-12 schools and nearly all libraries in the state. This network provides a backbone for efficient data distribution and collection.

A. Personnel
Faculty expertise in data science and engineering is distributed across colleges and units. Expertise covers large-scale, complex data management, data semantics, high-performance computing, wireless communications theory, sensor technology, human-computer interactions with data and information, cybersecurity, statistical analysis of spatial and temporal data, along with policy research in data and information science. University of Maine Faculty contacted and indicating interest in participating are listed below.

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Mike Scott  |  New Media  |  School of Computing and Information Science  
Aaron Weiskettel  |  Forest modeling  |  School of Forest Resources  
Terry Yoo  |  Computer Graphics, Image Analysis  |  School of Computing and Information Science

B. Facilities
Existing research centers and laboratories provide a wealth of resources which may be leveraged to support this degree program. These include:

**Geosensor Lab:** The Geosensor Lab investigates distributed wireless sensing applications and the role of data stream engines in fast processing of large real time spatio-temporal data streams, and executing stream window queries over them efficiently.

**National Center for Geographic Information and Analysis:** NCGIA-Maine conducts research on all aspects of geographic information science. Research aims to advance spatial information theories and develop new spatial information technologies that help humans in their everyday lives, in their interaction with the environment, with each other, and with computers, and to generally advance our understanding of spatial and temporal phenomena in our geographic surroundings.

**Advanced Computing Group (ACG):** The ACG provides computing infrastructure and support. It offers high performance computing resources, cloud computing services, data storage solutions and data management plan assistance. The ACG currently has a supercomputing cluster with 512 processor cores, over 300 TB data storage capacity, a large shared-memory computation server, GPU-accelerators, and a high-performance visualization server.

**Virtual Environments and Multimodal Interaction Lab (VEMI):** VEMI is a fully integrated research facility combining immersive virtual and augmented reality technology. This research lab supports an integrative approach called neurocognitive engineering, which uses psychophysical techniques to connect theories from human information processing and multimodal spatial cognition to develop and test new technologies. Studies are based on behavioral experiments with human participants in both real environments and virtual reality (VR).

**MaineSAIL:** The Maine Software Agents and Artificial Intelligence Laboratory takes an agent-based approach to AI, dealing with hardware/software systems that perceive their environment, make decisions about how to behave, and take action. Many of MaineSAIL’s projects have as their domain in the intelligent control of autonomous vehicles, for instance autonomous underwater vehicles (AUVs), or multi-AUV systems, such as autonomous oceanographic sampling networks (AOSNs).
**Wireless Communication Labs**: Wireless sensing leverages resources spread across several departments and research centers. The Maine Center for Next Generation Wireless Communications, consists of four laboratories: the Antenna Characterization Laboratory, the High Power RF and Microwave Circuits Laboratory, the Wireless Communications and Networking Laboratory and the Environmental Testing Laboratory. These four laboratories, in conjunction with the Wireless Sensing Lab (Wise-Net), form the base for wireless communications and networking research at the Electrical and Computer Engineering Department. WiSe-Net Lab hosts the NASA’s only large scale (42 ft diameter) inflatable lunar habitat model in the world that is instrumented with passive wireless sensors.

**CompuMaine Lab**: Current research projects include the use and development of 2D and 3D image analysis, signal processing, and modeling with applications in bio-medicine and astrophysics. The lab has developed new image analysis algorithms capable of extracting quantitative 3D information from high-resolution images of cellular nuclei. As a pilot project, the lab has also started to gather existing mouse and human chromosome territory data from labs in Germany, UK, and US. The major challenge is to perform data analytics on large datasets to investigate biophysical questions of interest, such as calculating the force attracting or repelling chromosomes in interphase nuclei.

**C. Equipment**

No new equipment is required for support of this program.

**D. Library Resources**

All enrolled students have access to electronic journals, databases and other resources made available through Fogler Library. Library resources are currently satisfactory for supporting courses and research in Data Science and Engineering, so no additional library resources are currently anticipated. All enrolled tuition-paying distance students will have electronic access to the usual UMaine library resources from their homes and offices.

**E. Other**

**F. What additional new costs are required in any or all of the above categories?**

Administrative support within the School of Computing and Information Science is currently managing a full load. Additional administrative support would be needed to help with the management and marketing of this new M.S. degree program.

**7. Briefly describe preliminary plans for regular program evaluations, formative and summative.**

Reviews of the program and coursework will be overseen by the Data Science and Engineering Oversight committee and the School of Computing and Information Science. Formative and summative evaluations of the program will be carried out consistent with NECHE assessment requirements.
8. Time Frame

Estimated Planning Time: 6 months

Estimated Implementation Time: Anticipated approval ideally in the spring 2019 time frame with September 2019 as a start date for marketing and student recruitment and program initiation in 2020.

Estimate of Program Lifetime: long term

9. COMPLETE FOR GRADUATE PROGRAM ONLY: On what other campus, if any, will this program be available? What plans are there to insure transferability from other campuses into this program or to deliver this program to other campuses?

This graduate program will be open to students on any UMaine campus as allowed and supported within the University of Maine System. UMaine system-wide course cross listing and course transfers are currently being developed and will be implemented for this program as appropriate.

10. Other Pertinent Data and/or Information

Proposed Data Science and Engineering M.S. Degree components

Degree Options: An M.S. degree with options for Project or Thesis in Data Science and Engineering, a Certificate in Data Science and Engineering, 4+1 option in Data Science and Engineering

Project-option requirements: 30 credits inclusive of 3 project course or 3 internship credits.
Thesis option requirements: 24 credits of course work and a thesis (6 credits).
Certificate in Data Science and Engineering: 18 credits of course work

Admission Requirements: Students with undergraduate degrees in any field may apply. A successful applicant would be expected to have two semesters of calculus (e.g., MAT 126, 127), a semester of statistics (e.g., MAT 434), and proficiency in programming. Students without these background pre-requisites may be admitted provided they complete one or more of the Foundation Courses (listed below) to satisfy any missing skill sets.

Foundation Courses
- SIE507 Information Systems Programming
- One of (Introduction to Statistical Methods in Data Science (2019) STS 434 Introduction to Statistics, or ECE 515 Stochastic Processes)
- SIE 505 Formal Foundations for Information Systems

Degree requirements:

DSE XXX Practicum in Data Science - 3 credits
All students will be required to take the Practicum in Data Science. This will be a new interdisciplinary team-taught course that will be structured around an overview of data science and engineering topics and tools as applied to large case study data sets.

**Thesis option requirements:** Practicum in Data Science (3), a mix of 18 credits covering a minimum of 12 credits from at least four of the five themes (listed below) with remaining credits taken within the core themes or from a domain specialization, SIE501(1), SIE 502(1), INT601 (1) and 6 credits of thesis.

**Project option requirements:** Practicum in Data Science (3), a mix of 24 credits covering a minimum of 12 credits from at least four of the five themes (listed below) with remaining credits taken within the core themes or from a domain specialization, and internship (3) or project (3).

**Certificate option requirements:** Practicum in Data Science (3), a mix of 15 credits covering a minimum of 12 credits from at least four of the five themes (listed below) with remaining credits taken within the core themes or from a domain specialization.

**Four Plus One Option:** Student must apply for admission to the Four Plus One Program before or during the junior year. An applicant should expect to have an overall minimum undergraduate grade point average of 3.25, must have completed the University of Maine General Education Requirement in Math and must have three letters of recommendation from current or previous university instructors. In the senior year, provisionally admitted students must submit the formal application to the Graduate School. Provisionally admitted Four Plus One students with an undergraduate grade point average of 3.25 or better may take up to 9 credits of graduate-level courses in Data Science and Engineering toward the Masters degree which may also count towards the Bachelors degree (joint credits) but they must also be part of the student’s Master’s Program of Study in Data Science and Engineering. Upon graduation with a bachelors degree, and with satisfactory performance in courses taken as an undergraduate, the student may be formally matriculated into the masters program. Students who meet these requirements must matriculate in their masters program within one semester/term after receiving their bachelors degree in order to use the joint credits.

**Data Science and Engineering Core Themes**
- Data collection technologies
- Data management
- Data analytics
- Data visualization and human interaction
- Data security, preservation, and reuse

**Theme 1: Data collection technologies**
- SIE 559 Geosensor Networks
- ECE 484 Communications Engineering
- ECE 585 Foundations Of Wireless Communications
- SFR 609 Remote Sensing Problems
- SVT 531 Advanced Digital Photogrammetry
• SVT 532 Survey Strategies in Use of Lidar

**Theme 2: Data Management**
• SIE550 Design of Information Systems,
• SIE557 Database Systems Applications,
• COS580 Topics in Database Management Systems
• COS5xx Cloud Computing – Phil Dickens to develop
• SIE 580 Formal Ontologies: Principles and Practice

**Theme 3: Data Analytics**
• COS554 Algorithms
• STS 531 Mathematical Statistics
• STS 533 Stochastic Systems
• PSE 509 Experimental Design
• SIE 503 Principles of Experimental Design
• COS570 Topics in Artificial Intelligence
• BIO 593 Advanced Biometry
• COS5xx Computer Vision – Terry Yoo to develop
• SIE5xx AI in Data Science – Fall 2019 start
• ECO530 Econometrics
• ECO531 Advanced Econometrics & Applications

**Theme 4: Data Visualization and Human Computer Interaction**
• SIE515 Human Computer Interaction
• SIE5xx Spatial Interaction Design
• SIE516 Virtual Reality: Research and Applications
• COS5xx Data Visualization – Penny Rheingans to develop

**Theme 5: Data security, preservation and reuse**
• COS5xx Engineering Privacy In Software Systems - Sepideh Ghanavati to develop
• SIE525 Information Systems Law
• DIG500 Introduction to Digital Curation
• DIG510 Metadata Systems
• DIG 550 Digital Preservation

**Domain Specializations**
**Spatial Informatics**
• SIE509 Principles of Geographic Information Systems
• SIE510 GIS Applications
• SIE512 Spatial Analysis
• SIE555 Spatial Database Systems
• SIE558 Real-time Sensor Data Streams
• SIE559 Geosensor Networks
- INT 527 Integration of GIS and Remotes Sensing Data Analysis in Natural Resource Applications
- SMS 595 Data Analysis Methods in Marine Sciences

**BioInformatics Domain**
- BMB 502 Introduction to Bioinformatics
- BMS 625 Foundations of Biomedical Science and Engineering
- ECE 583 Coding and Information Theory

**Business Information Domain**
- BUA 561 Knowledge Management and Decision Support
- BUA 601 Data Analysis for Business
- BUA 626 Management of Contemporary Organizations

Data Science internship course – 3 credits
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**Impact of Graduate Certificate Program on Related Degree Program**

As a result of the UMaineGOLD initiative, we, the Food Science and Human Nutrition (FSN) faculty, wish to modify our graduate education offerings. We presently have a Graduate Certificate in Food Science and Human Nutrition in the graduate catalog, however, no one is currently enrolled in the Graduate Certificate. We wish to close the present Certificate in FSN and propose to create two Graduate Certificates aligned with our UMaineGOLD proposal, which was approved December 21st, 2018. The first Certificate is in Human Nutrition and the second is in Food Technology. Our plan is to offer these stand-alone, 12-credit Certificates, starting the fall of 2019 and spring 2020 respectively, and at the same time, file an application for an online UMaineGOLD MS in Human Nutrition and Food Technology.

The creation of the two Graduate Certificates, developed through the UMaineGOLD initiative, will substantially increase graduate enrollment in Food Science and Human Nutrition. Graduate class maximum capacity for our current brick and mortar classes is 25 students on average but we foresee that we could easily have a higher volume of students in online courses. Further, we expect that once our M.S. degree (UMaineGOLD) is approved, demand for these graduate programs will be strong.

**Graduate Certificate in Human Nutrition**

Based on our initial market research, we have found that the Graduate Certificate in Human Nutrition will be welcomed by nutrition professionals. Demand for well-educated professionals in the field of Human Nutrition and Dietetics currently exceeds supply and is expected to grow (Goecker et al., 2015). The need for flexible, learner-paced, applied graduate education is of particular significance to professionals currently employed in these fields. Human Nutrition and Dietetics programs are professional in nature, leading to the credential of Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RDN) through the credentialing body of the Academy of
Nutrition and Dietetics’ Commission on Dietetics Registration (CDR). Part of the credentialing process includes sitting for a registration exam. CDR has mandated that by the year 2024, all dietetics graduates who wish to sit for the registration exam will need to hold a graduate degree (Winterfeldt, Bogle, & Ebro, 2018). This mandate will significantly increase the demand for graduate-level preparedness in nutrition and dietetics. Additionally, RDNs who are currently in practice without graduate-level credentials will be strongly motivated to acquire a graduate degree to remain competitive in their current positions as well as for future career growth.

Because of the changing professional requirements, garnering a graduate education will become imperative for B.S. prepared nutrition professionals. Our Certificate in Human Nutrition through the UMaineGOLD initiative, will be the gateway to a future M.S. in Human Nutrition and Food Technology. Our goal is that the Certificate will be used as a stepping stone to eventually completing the M.S.

RDNs in practice are often confined by work schedules and may also have family and childcare commitments, which make it difficult for them to incorporate a traditional campus-based graduate degree into their lives. A study of the driving forces of the dietetics workforce supply and demand showed that there has been rapid growth of online education across the country, whether it be in traditional educational settings or in professional programs (Rhea & Bettles, 2012). Dietetics professionals are currently using online education to meet continuing education requirements in their practice. This study also confirmed that today’s students want online education that meets their time demands, incorporating flexibility and providing convenience that is lacking from traditional educational offerings (Rhea & Bettles, 2012). Providing a certificate program and eventually an online graduate program in Human Nutrition and Food Technology would fill a gap in the educational opportunities for working professionals in the dietetics community. It is critical for UMaine to stay relevant and current to meet the needs
of these working nutrition professionals. Delivering graduate-level education using easily accessible technology, such as UMaine Online, is key to maintaining our competitive edge in attracting high-level students.

**Educational Objectives of the Certificate in Human Nutrition**

The proposed Graduate Certificate in Human Nutrition will have the following overarching educational objectives:

1. Students will be able to critically assess current research and apply evidenced-based practice in the nutritional assessment and care of individuals or populations.

2. Students will utilize Graduate Certificate course electives to strengthen competencies in the field of Human Nutrition.

**Proposed Course Sequence**

To provide students with the greatest flexibility, a rolling admission into the Graduate Certificate in Human Nutrition will be implemented. Course sequence will be individualized at the time of student acceptance into the program. Students will be required to complete 12 credits from select FSN graduate courses in Human Nutrition that meet the GOLD standard. FSN 501, 506, 508, 524, and 530 are currently being offered but will be reformatted to achieve GOLD status. FSN 542 is a new course, which will be built to achieve UMaineGOLD standards. All courses that are a part of the Graduate Certificate in Human Nutrition are below:

**FSN 501 Advanced Human Nutrition:** Basic nutrition science with an emphasis on carbohydrate, lipid, protein, vitamin, mineral functions, and metabolism. Genetic influences on nutrient needs and metabolism.
FSN 506 Nutritional Assessment: Covers methods of evaluating the nutritional status of individuals or groups of people by dietary assessment and nutrition-related health indicators.

FSN 508 Nutrition and Aging: Roles of nutrients, foods and supplements in maintaining health during aging.

FSN 524 Responsible Design, Conduct, and Analysis of Research: Experimental design, ethical considerations, and statistics for responsible conduct of nutritional and medical research.

FSN 530 Integrative and Functional Nutrition: Review of alternative practices such as traditional Chinese medicine, Ayurvedics, homeopathy, naturopathy, herbal medicine, and dietary supplements and how these practices can be integrated with conventional dietetic practice. Special needs of different life stages and disease conditions are addressed.

FSN 542 Sustainability, Nutrition, and Health: This course will explore sustainable practices when growing, processing, transporting, preparing, and choosing food, and how these practices affect the tripod of sustainability, i.e. environment, society (health) and economy in the context of the "Farm to Healthy Body" model.

Meeting Program Objectives

By completing targeted, application-based coursework, students enrolled in the graduate program, will enhance their skills in the nutrition assessment and care of the adult population. Students can also gain knowledge in complementary practices to enhance health promotion and disease prevention. Finally, students can acquire a deeper understanding of the role nutrients and foods play in global food systems and health.

Graduate Faculty Associated with Certificate Program

Graduate faculty associated with the proposed Graduate Certificate in Human Nutrition include:
Kate Yerxa: Graduate Certificate Coordinator

Mona Therrien: teaches FSN 506 Nutritional Assessment

Mary Ellen Camire: teaches FSN 501 Advanced Human Nutrition, FSN 508 Nutrition and Aging, FSN 524 Responsible Design, Conduct, and Analysis of Research, and FSN 530 Integrative and Functional Nutrition

Dorothy Klimis-Zacas: will teach FSN 542 Sustainability, Nutrition, and Health

Resources Required

The Graduate Certificate in Human Nutrition contains no new faculty lines. Current Graduate Faculty have the expertise to teach certificate courses. Additionally, only one new course will need to be created, FSN 542 Sustainability, Nutrition, and Health. All other courses, within the Certificate, are pre-existing but will require reformatting to make them GOLD.

Fiscal Considerations

Faculty Compensation:

- **FSN 501** will be taught in the fall semester (alternate years) and will be part of Mary Ellen Camire’s regular teaching load.
- **FSN 506** will be taught in the spring semester (every year); it will be part of Mona Therrien’s teaching load in even years and will be taught as overload in odd years.
- **FSN 508 and 524** will be taught in the summer (Overload)
- **FSN 530** will be taught in the spring semester (alternate years) and will be part of Mary Ellen Camire’s regular teaching load.
- **FSN 542** will be taught in the fall semester (alternate years) and will be taught as overload.
The UMaineGOLD initiative has dedicated funds to incentivize course development and the faculty has planned a sequence for developing or reformatting courses so that students are able to graduate from the Certificate within the designated time frame of one year from matriculation. Once the Certificate in Human Nutrition attains UMaineGOLD status, cost-sharing will enable to the FSN program and its faculty to provide top-quality online graduate education, constantly updating educational offerings to remain current and relevant in the ever-changing fields of Human Nutrition and Dietetics.

From the students’ point-of-view, there is a high likelihood that students enrolled in a graduate certificate program will have some or much of their tuition paid by employers. RDNs need to complete Continuing Education Credits (CEUs) every year to remain credentialed. Graduate courses in the domain of Human Nutrition are eligible to be used for CEUs. Many employers budget funds for employee CEUs, ensuring that workers have the most up-to-date knowledge, while also remaining credentialed. Additionally, with new CDR regulations requiring a graduate degree to sit for the RD credentialing exam, both employees and employers will be looking for easily accessible, flexible ways to earn graduate credits, which the Human Nutrition Graduate Certificate offers.

**Graduate Certificate in Food Technology**

Professionals working in the food industry would benefit greatly from having the opportunity to complete an online graduate program in Food Technology. Many food industry professionals hold Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degrees in disciplines other than food science. Lack of food science education can be a limiting factor for promotion. A survey conducted by the Institute of Food Technologists (IFT), the primary professional society for food scientists, in 2017 showed only 63% of survey respondents had their highest degree in food science and
technology (Kuhn & Malochleb, 2018). Food scientists also have incentives to complete graduate education. B.S. graduates must achieve six years of professional experience before taking the Certified Food Scientist exam versus only two years for professionals who have earned an M.S. in food science. In 2015, the median salary for food scientists with M.S. degrees was more than $11k higher than for those with a B.S. only; larger differences were reported for certain specialties in food science (Kuhn and Malochleb, 2018). A Graduate Certificate in Food Technology can serve as a stepping stone to food industry professionals, interested in acquiring a graduate degree. Additionally, in an earlier IFT survey, respondents reported that work-life balance was the greatest work challenge they faced (Kuhn, 2016). This response provides impetus to design a graduate certificate and eventually an M.S. program that is flexible, easily accessible, and virtual so as to enable industry professionals to gain skills and knowledge in food technology without adding further stress onto their busy lives.

**Educational Objectives of the Certificate in Food Technology**

The proposed Graduate Certificate in Food Technology will have the following overarching educational objectives:

1. Students will be able to critically assess current research and apply principles of food science in the preservation, processing, packaging, and distribution of safe food.
2. Students will utilize Graduate Certificate course electives to strengthen competencies in the field of Food Technology.

**Proposed Course Sequence**

To provide students with the greatest flexibility, a rolling admission into the Graduate Certificate in Food Technology will be implemented. Course sequence will be individualized at the time of student matriculation into the program. Students will be required to complete 12 credits from select FSN graduate courses in Food Technology, which meet the UMaineGOLD
standards. FSN 502, 517, 524, 538, and 555 are currently being offered but will be reformatted to achieve UMaineGOLD status. The faculty member who teaches FSN 603 is currently working with CITL to have the course reformatted for UMaineGOLD status. FNS 538 will be converted to an online course to meet UMaineGOLD standards. FSN 440 will be a dual-listed class, which meets UMaineGOLD standards and will have the new designator of FSN 546. All courses that are a part of the Graduate Certificate in Food Technology are described below:

**FSN 502 Food Preservation:** Chemicals and processes (freezing, dehydration, canning, irradiation, extrusion) used to extend food quality and safety.

**FSN 517 Food Safety and Quality Control:** Concepts of food safety, practices and tools for quality assurance. General principles and methods for the detection of additives, contaminants, and hazardous residues in foods. Introduction to analyzing risk factors associated with physical, chemical and microbial changes in food during processing and preservation.

**FSN 524 Responsible Design, Conduct, and Analysis of Research:** Experimental design, ethical considerations, and statistics for responsible conduct of nutritional and medical research.

**FSN 538 Fermented Foods and Probiotics:** Introduces a variety of traditionally fermented foods with discussion of production practices and key microbes, discusses formulation of foods with probiotic cultures, mechanisms of action and labeling.

**FSN 546 (Dual-listed) (old designator FSN 440): Utilization of Aquatic Food Resources:** Utilization and food quality of wild and farmed aquatic animals including production, chemical/physical properties, nutritional value, post-harvest changes, processing systems, regulatory issues, by-product utilization and food safety.
FSN 555 Organic and Natural Foods: Introduces organic and natural foods from an industry perspective. Discussion of food production and processing, legal issues, ingredient functionality, and controversies.

FSN 603 Nutrient Changes in the Food System (New course name and description): Review of the changes in food nutrient and phytochemical composition and bioavailability from the farm through processing and distribution to consumers.

Meeting Program Objectives

By completing the required coursework in the Certificate in Food Technology, students will deepen their understanding of food preservation methods, especially utilizing food preservation techniques that minimize nutrient degradation. Students can also focus on specific topics such as organic, fermented, or aquatic foods, exploring these from a food-industry perspective. Finally, students will enhance skills and knowledge relating to ensuring a safe food supply for the consumer.

Graduate Faculty Associated with Certificate Program

Graduate faculty associated with the proposed Graduate Certificate in Food Technology include:

Kate Yerxa: Graduate Certificate Coordinator

Mary Ellen Camire: teaches FSN 524 Responsible Design, Conduct, and Analysis of Research and FSN 603 Nutrient Changes in the Food System.

Alfred Bushway: teaches FSN 502 Food Preservation

Balunkeswar Nayak: teaches FSN 517 Food Safety and Quality Control
Jennifer Perry: will teach FSN 538 Fermented Foods and Probiotics and teaches FSN 555 Organic and Natural Foods

Denise Skonberg: will teach FSN 546 (old designator FSN 440) Utilization of Aquatic Food Resources

Resources Required

The Graduate Certificate in Food Technology requires no new faculty lines with current graduate faculty having the expertise to teach certificate courses. Only one new course will need to be created, FSN 546 Utilization of Aquatic Food Resources, which will be modified from an existing 400-level class. All other courses, within this Certificate, are pre-existing but will require reformatting to make them GOLD.

Fiscal Considerations

Faculty Compensation:

FSN 502 will be taught in the fall semester (alternate years) by Alfred Bushway, who will be compensated as Emeritus faculty.

FSN 517 will be taught in the spring semester (alternate years) and will be part of Balunkeswar Nayak’s teaching load.

FSN 524 and 603 will be taught in the summer (Overload).

FSN 538 will be taught in the spring semester (alternate years) and will be taught as overload.
**FSN 546** will be taught in the spring semester (alternate years) and will be part of Denise Skonberg’s teaching load.

**FSN 555** will be taught in the fall semester (alternate years) and will be part of Jennifer Perry’s teaching load.

As with the Human Nutrition Certificate, the newly proposed Graduate Certificate in Food Technology has been approved by the UMaineGOLD initiative. A planned sequence for course development has been created with faculty being provided with a stipend for each class developed which reaches GOLD status. Fostering new graduate courses in Food Technology will ensure that students who enroll in the certificate program are able to complete it within one year from matriculation. Once the Certificate in Food Technology attains UMaineGOLD status, cost-sharing will provide for a program coordinator to manage the Certificate as well as funds to update and maintain quality online education at the graduate level. Once the M.S. in Human Nutrition and Food Technology is approved, Certificate in Food Technology graduates can apply those credits towards the M.S. degree, ensuring a robust volume of students in our graduate program.

Finally, because our primary audience for the Certificate in Food Technology is the industry professional, there is a high likelihood that employers will be willing to cover the cost of a graduate education. A survey by IFT revealed that 70% of food scientists are employed in the food industry, and 50% report access to tuition reimbursement benefits through their employer (Kuhn & Malochleb, 2018). Having access to high quality online graduate education in Food Technology will be extremely appealing to the food industry.
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