AGENDA

Meeting called to order:
In Attendance:

1. Review/approval of the May 9, 2019 Graduate Board minutes

2. Review/approval of the September 3, 2019 Curriculum Committee report

New Courses:
- **EDT 572** - Teaching Programming in Multiple Paradigms
- **ECO 550** - International Environmental Economics and Policy
- **MEE 590** - Modern Control Theory and Applications
- **FSN 542** - Sustainability, Nutrition and Health

Course Modifications:
- **ECO 581** - Agent-Based Modeling
- **EDT 616** - New Directions for Educational Technology

3. Announcements/updates:
   a. Orientation Recap
   b. Ice Cream Social Recap (formerly the picnic)
   c. Mug Club – First Thursday of every month; 4-6pm (See handout).
   d. Workshop on Best Practices in Mentoring (October 3, 12-1pm)
   e. **Graduate School Open House** – Thursday, October 3, 2019; 3:30pm-6:00pm
   f. Conversations with college deans, directors and chairs groups

4. AY 19-20 plan for developing graduate student learning outcomes

5. Enrollment management update

6. Recap of the March 8 graduate summit and discussion of AY 2019-20 graduate priorities

7. Discussion of timeline for admission decisions

8. Items arising
## 2019-2020 Curriculum Committee, Executive Committee and Grad Board Meetings

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MINUTES

Meeting called to order: 3:20pm – 31 in attendance including guests: Debra Allen & Amanda Barrington from the Institutional Research Office.


1. Review/approval of the April 25, 2019 Graduate Board minutes
   3 corrections to the minutes were noted by Shaleen Jain.
   Pg 2 – CIE
   Pg. 3 – Pank Agrrawal
   Pg 6 – Mohamad Musavi
   Owen moved to accept the minutes & Deborah Rooks-Ellis seconded.
   Unanimous approval with corrections noted above

2. Review/approval of the April 30, 2019 Curriculum Committee report

   New Courses:
   FSN 545 – Utilization of Aquatic Food Resources
   EAD 660- The Adult Learner in PK-12 Education
   EAD 661- Advanced Educational Supervision
   EHD 544 – Mentoring, Supervision, and Teacher Development

   Course Modifications:
   FSN 502 – Food Preservation
   FSN 538- Food Science and Nutrition
   ERS 544 – Introduction to Glaciology
   SED 564- Universal Design for Learning Pre-K-12 Classrooms
   SED 585 – Communication for Students with Autism Spectrum Disorder
E. Pandiscio motioned to approve Curriculum Committee Report and S. Butler seconded.

A brief discussion about graduate course approval and the course approval form took place; how will credit hours in online and nontraditional classes be calculated? Engagement hours outside the class? Condensed classes? S. Delcourt and M. LaRocque both noted that the course approval form requires an update to better take some of these issues into account. Unanimous approval for Curriculum Committee Report

Announcements/updates:
- Graduate Commencement – May 10 - Deans will march with the Graduate Students. Executive Committee members will be in the front row & will be announced with college deans as they approach the stage.

- NAS visit (May 21-22); See: https://umaine.edu/risingtide/conversations-for-change/ A day and a half seminars on current topics in graduate STEM education including increasing diversity & sexual harassment, Owen Smith will moderate a session on the first day on including the humanities in the STEM curriculum. Link is on the Rising Tide site to register if anyone is interested.

- Fall 2019 orientation planning –
  Trying to come up with the best way to deliver information. We are putting a lot of information on the Graduate School web site via an online orientation page. As a result, new graduate student orientation will be a half day in the afternoon. The orientation program for new teaching assistants will be partially hosted by the Graduate School and partially by the RISE Center and CITL.

  Question about orientation – consider changing the time to earlier in the week?

S. Delcourt talked about putting the orientation online – the afternoon session will mostly feature hands on activities –tours and an opportunity to interact with Grad Student Government & Grad School staff.

  Programs can expect a call for TA, GA, RA information by the end of May – names needed by June 15th if possible.

3. Review of Graduate Board membership and their intent to continue.
S. Delcourt went through the list and polled attending members:

Pankaj Aggrawal – 2021
Jim Artesani – 2022 (Deborah Rooks Ellis responding for Jim)
Kate Beard – 2021
Jonathan Bomar will be replaced by incoming GSG President – Lacey Darling
Doug Bousfield - absent
Tim Bowden - 2021
David Bradley 2022
Sandy Butler 2022
Dylan Dryer 2022
Shawn Ell- 2022
Keith Evans - 2022
Jim Fastook - absent
Jacques Ferland - stepping off committee & will be replaced in the fall
Julie Gosse – absent (Melody and Julie are from the same program)
Hamish Greig – absent
Chris Grindrod – will get back to us – possibly 2022
Christine Beitl – Anthropology – proxy for first semester for Cindy Isenhour
Shaleen Jain - 2021
Zhihe Jin - 2020
Michael Kienzler- 2021
Dorothy Klimas-Zacas - absent
Karl Kreutz - absent
Stuart Mars – on sabbatical – replacement to be named.
Ian Mette - absent
Melody Neely- absent
Stom Ohno - absent
Eric Pandiscio - 2021
Pat Poirier – 2022
Andrew Reeve – absent
Laura Rickard – 2022
Deborah Rooks-Ellis- 2021
Deborah Shulman – 2021
Owen Smith – 2021
Carly Sponarski - 2022
Kristen Vekasi - 2022
Carlos Villacorta Gonzales - 2021
Vince Weaver - absent

Mike Kinnison – stepping off the Executive Committee
Cindy Isenhour – stepping off the Executive Committee
Cindy was presented with a token of appreciation from the Graduate School.
Michael was recognized in absentia.

4. Election of 2019-20 Executive Committee

Carly Sponarski (Wildlife Ecology) – has agreed to stand for election representing
NSFA
Dylan Dryer (English) – has agreed to stand for election representing CLAS
With no other nominations from the floor, both were approved by acclamation of
the Board.

5. Assessment of graduate programs – Dr. Debra Allen and Amanda Barrington,
Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

**Background** – during the NECHE accreditation visit – suggested a systematic
effort needed to assess graduate programs. OIR representatives mentioned that
the University has not made as much progress with graduate assessment as
undergraduate program assessment. 2009 NEASC review – assessment was an
issue. By 2012 we had made some progress at the undergraduate level.

What do we mean by assessment? Student Learning Outcomes….data to inform
student learning and student development. (It is not program review – but,
program assessment.) Identifying student learning outcomes. Collect data & use
it to improve programs.

2014 UMaine current plan was approved by the Provost for use in undergrad.
We have made great progress at the undergrad level. There are unique challenges
at the graduate level – professional vs. research programs – and degree vs.
certificate programs.

D. Allen has started to look at other institutions for best practices. One of our
goals is to take inventory of what is currently happening for assessment in
graduate programs and to develop supporting materials.
Assessment starts with identification and measurement of learning outcomes.

M. Barrington asked how many graduate programs have assessments going on
now. (Approximately 5 hands went up) – Accredited programs have to have
assessments each year.

If we want to do assessments – the criteria will have to be similar – but, unique to
the program. We may have the elements already happening in most programs.
The OIR would like to work with the Graduate School on this & help organize the
assessment protocols.

*Should we be looking at the same tools we use in undergrad?*
*How should we be collecting the information?*

Step 1 = what are the learning outcomes of your program? What do you want
your students to learn & be able to do? (4 outcomes are appropriate).

Cindy Isenhour volunteered that she does an informal assessment with her
students – to ask what they hope to get out of the program – and then an exit
survey at the end to see what they got out of the program. (Indirect assessment.)
At the undergrad level – who coordinates the assessment? Usually the program coordinator or director. At the graduate level the graduate program coordinator would be involved.

S. Delcourt suggested the look at other universities assessments, it may help guide what ours should look like. Deb Allen will share the slides for the presentation – and Scott will send to Grad Board.

Deb will reach out to the individual programs to work with them on assessment planning.

6. Addition of a 4+2 track to the existing 4+1 track in the School of Economics Proposal from Tim Waring – for the School of Economics Delcourt informed the Board that since the 4+1 track proposal was already approved this amendment is presented to the Graduate Board for informational purposes.

7. Review of proposed 4+1 track Computer Science With Jim Fasook absent, S. Delcourt summarized the proposal which closely follows the 4+1 guidelines established by the Graduate Board. Undergraduate students would apply for the accelerated program track leading to a non-thesis MS degree in their junior year and could take up to nine graduate credits which would count towards the MS degree.

E. Pandiscio – do any of the tuition incentives apply to a 4+2 program? S. Delcourt – no due to the fact that graduate students are often supported on assistantships if they do a thesis – the 4+1 option is in place for students who are self-paying to reduce their overall cost to earn a master’s degree. Beyond 1 extra year, it’s not really considered to be an accelerated master’s degree program.

Delcourt also noted that 4+1 options are being developed with other schools within the system – at UMF, UMM, for example. It is also a possibility to develop 4+1 options outside the UMS with schools like Colby. SPIA already has a 4+1 arrangement with Dickinson College.

Deborah Rooks-Ellis stated that the 4+1 arrangement with UMM is an online program so that the student could stay in their hometowns and take courses.

E. Pandiscio- If a student doesn’t finish on time – what are the consequences? Do they have to retake the 9 credits? S. Delcourt – stated that there is an appeals process – especially if the circumstances were beyond the student’s control. However, the arrangement to double count the credits is predicated on students finishing more quickly and with their own financial support.

4+1 in Computer Science was unanimously approved through a vote of the Board.
8. Review/approval of proposed graduate specialization in Conservation Science
   S. Butler – Grant to focus on Conservation Science.
   Program of study had to have representation from 2 different departments.
   Specialization – would be 13 specific course credits.
   Forest Resources Program would currently qualify.
   You could take this curriculum and specialize from any program with 13 extra
   courses. We had 24 applicants – and given funding we were able to accept 9
   students.
   K. Evans noticed that EES 598 is repeated twice.
   S. Delcourt suggested that we will present a final version to the curriculum
   committee. Assistantships are provided from the faculty within the program.
   
   All are in favor of endorsing the Specialization in Conservation Science.

9. New affiliation agreements involving the MBA program
   S. Delcourt informed the Graduate Board that these are included on the agenda for
   informational purposes to be recorded in the Graduate Board minutes. Neither
   agreement requires approval because both follow established Graduate School
   procedures regarding admission and accepting transfer credit.
   University of New England – School of Pharmacy partnership for Dual MBA –
   PharmD – UMaine agrees to accept 6 credits toward the MBA, and UNE agrees
   to accept 6 credits towards PharmD degree.
   
   Other agreement with the American University in Bulgaria – essentially a
   pathway for promoting the UMaine MBA to undergraduate business
   administration students in Bulgaria.
   
   Jamie Ballinger stated that Dean Weber & UNE are very excited about creating
   the partnership for the PharmD – MBA, observing that we have one student
   already accepted for fall.

10. Review of proposal for a MS in Data Science and Engineering - redux
    The Graduate School received a second memo from Dean Mohamad Musavi
    requesting to meet with the planners of the proposal for the MS in Data Science
    & Engineering. Additional discussion was also held at the Faculty Senate
    yesterday. Vice President Varahramyan had sent word that he was willing to
    move forward to review by the Provost Council of an intent to plan. If the intent
    to plan is approved up through the VCAA, the final proposal would need to
    address the issue of how data engineering is included in the program’s
    curriculum.
    
    Penny Rheingan, SCIS, added that the school’s intention is to collaborate with all
    the interested colleges moving forward.
    
    If we entertain a motion to approve the “intent to plan”
O. Smith – there was some discussion in our April Graduate Board meeting regarding ownership of names for the programs – i.e. if it says “Design” – does it belong to Art? Software engineering is an academic area within SCIS.

S. Jain mentioned that some time ago UMaine had declared Data Science & Engineering an area of excellence. This area of excellence involves more faculty than those exclusively in SCIS, for example Yifeng Zhu and Bruce Segee. SCIS and ECE could be extremely productive in the long run in this program. We should go over the proposal and see what would be good for UMaine as a whole. Talk to various stakeholders involved. The intent and the proposal came in nearly at the same time. All of the departments involved may not have been consulted in advance due to the rush to get the program approved.

Penny Rheingans stated she can’t speak to how people involved may have been overlooked early in the process. It is our intention to reach out to Engineering but the proposal could really involve faculty in all 5 colleges.

S. Delcourt proposed a resolution stating that the Graduate Board recommends moving forward the Intent to Plan to the office of the Provost for the next level of review with the requirement that discussions among stakeholder departments take place prior to the submission of the final program proposal.

All those in favor of endorsing the resolution....unanimous.

11. Items arising
Owen Smith – IMRC offering a one week digital boot camp – photo editing, video editing, publication and design. Marketing towards graduate students. All day for one week – the last week of the summer term.

Jon Bomar is leaving the board as GSG President. Lacey Darling is going to take over as GSG President next year.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45pm
CURRICULUM COMMITTEE REPORT

The Curriculum Committee met on September 3rd and recommends the following courses to the Graduate Board for approval at its September 26th meeting.

New Courses:

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GRADUATE PROGRAM/UNIT: COEHD Instructional Technology

COURSE DESIGNATOR: EDT  COURSE NUMBER: 572  EFFECTIVE SEMESTER: Spring 2020

COURSE TITLE: Teaching Programming in Multiple Paradigms

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

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)

Meredith Swallow

Date: 2020-03-09 08:05:00

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.
The audience for computer science education is larger and more diverse than ever, but educators are often tasked with teaching the subject without any formal exposure to the fundamentals of programming, particularly as it relates to their students. Embracing the wide variety of needs and abilities of different age groups, this course is an introduction to different coding paradigms and some of the programming languages that are appropriate for all levels of K-12 and beyond. These paradigms include but are not limited to block-based, imperative, and object-oriented, and students will use different development environments to explore different application domains. There will be an emphasis on computational problem solving and the key aspects of algorithm development. Students will create unit progressions that allow their learners to work collaboratively and inclusively.

Prerequisite: EDT 571 or permission of instructor. Credits 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
- [X] Laboratory
- [ ] Lecture/Seminar
- [ ] Radiation
- [ ] Independent Study
- [ ] Thesis

Text(s) planned for use:

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

Chris Bennett - University of Maine-Farmington Computer Science Faculty

Reason for new course:

This course builds on knowledge and skill development from EDT 571 to include specific coding and programming skills relevant to participants' contexts.

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?

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

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 departmental/course requirements?

Every year
EDT 598 (572)
Teaching Programming in Multiple Paradigms
Fall 2019

Instructor: Chris Bennett
Email: chris.bennett@maine.edu

Course Description  The audience for computer science education is larger and more diverse than ever, but educators are often tasked with teaching the subject without any formal exposure to the fundamentals of programming, particularly as it relates to their students. Embracing the wide variety of needs and abilities of different age groups, this course is an introduction to different coding paradigms and some of the programming languages that are appropriate for all levels of K12 and beyond. These paradigms include but are not limited to block-based, imperative, and object-oriented, and students will use different development environments to explore different application domains. There will be an emphasis on computational problem solving and the key aspects of algorithm development. Students will create unit progressions that allow their learners to work collaboratively and inclusively.

Prerequisites  EDT 571 or permission of instructor

Course Objectives

Students will be able to:

- Identify computational problems appropriate for different learning audiences
- Demonstrate understanding of the key components of algorithm development
- Solve computational problems using different programming languages
- Demonstrate an understanding of the appropriateness of different development tools for different learning audiences
- Demonstrate an understanding of different application domains in computer science

Course Outline

This represents a tentative schedule of topics in approximately two-week modules. Some topics within each module are subject to change, but this will represent the basic outline of topics we will cover.

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Coding Paradigms  
Development Environments- Editing, compiling, and running programs  
Selecting appropriate languages and environments for different audiences  
Documentation and versioning systems |
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| Translating Solutions to Code | Overview of building blocks including:  
- Data storage  
- Data manipulation  
- Conditional execution  
- Conditional repetition  
- Abstraction |
| Block-based Coding | Scratch  
Blockly and Blockly-based Development Environments  
Designing audience-appropriate assignments in block-based environments |
| Imperative Coding | Python  
Designing audience-appropriate assignments in Python  
Other imperative languages |
| Object-oriented Coding | Processing  
Designing audience-appropriate assignments in Processing  
Other Object-oriented languages |
| Application Domains | Numeric Computation  
Sorting and Searching  
Image Processing  
Simulation  
Game Development  
Data Mining  
Artificial Intelligence |

**Required Materials**

*Readings* Students are not required to purchase any texts – all materials will be available online. Potential course readings and materials include but are not limited to:

*Pedagogy in teaching Computer Science in schools: A Literature Review*

N. Fraser, "*Ten things we've learned from Blockly,*" 2015 IEEE Blocks and Beyond Workshop (Blocks and Beyond), Atlanta, GA, 2015, pp. 49-50.

Proceedings of the seventh ACM conference on Creativity and cognition, October 26-30, 2009, Berkeley, California, USA


**Why Python is a great language for teaching beginners in introductory programming classes**

**Blockly** - A JavaScript library for building visual programming editors

**Scratch** - A cloud-based blockly development environment

**AppInventor** - Block-based development environment for mobile applications

**Python** - The Python programming language including a text editor and runtime interpreter.

**Processing** - A Java-based, visual arts-focused programming environment

**How to Think Like a Computer Scientist**, online interactive textbook for learning Python.

**The Nature of Code**, an online text using the Processing environment that simulates and explores natural phenomena.

**Software/Hardware**  Students will need a Windows, Mac, or Linux-based computer on which they have the ability to install software. Most computers should be powerful enough, but please talk with the instructor if you have questions. Students will need the:

**Slack** (https://slack.com/) – Communication and collaboration tool that has desktop, web, and mobile clients. This software is not absolutely required, but it is an effective tool for group communication across many platforms. You will receive an invitation to join Slack at the beginning of the semester.

**Git / Github** (https://desktop.github.com) – Versioning and control system for storing and tracking files, including your code.

**Text Editor** (https://www.sublimetext.com/) – You will need to install a text editor for this course – I will use Sublime, but you may choose another if you wish. You should not use the default text editors in Windows (notepad) or MacOS (textedit) – these do not have the functionality that we need.

**Python** (https://www.python.org/downloads/) – You will install the Python development environment to create programs using the Python programming language.
Processing (https://processing.org/download) – A Java-based development environment that is more focused on working in the visual arts.

Expectations of Students

Students are expected to engage regularly with the course materials and meaningfully contribute to the course dialog involving other students and the instructor. Everyone is expected to complete assignments in a timely manner, with a recognition that some flexibility is needed given busy schedules.

Expectations of Instructor

The instructor will post course materials and provide constructive feedback to assignments and questions in a timely and consistent manner. The instructor will communicate those times when students can expect limited communication due to travel or other circumstances.

Grading

Active Participation 9%
Assignments for Each Module (x7) 13% (x7 = 91%)
For each module, there will be between two and four assignments. Each module will count equally in the aggregate, and each assignment within a module will count equally within that module.

Potential Activities and Assignments

- Install and explore multiple development environments for languages from different paradigms including block-based, imperative, and object-oriented.
- Create accounts for hosting projects and source code.
- Create both pen-and-paper and coded solutions to common numerical tasks such as logarithms, square roots, and other “calculator button” problems.
- Create a real-world application using an appropriate language from an application domain such as image processing, data mining, data visualization or game development.
- Create a program that simulates the actual functioning of a computer (a “virtual machine”) to better understand the role of the processor, memory, and other aspects of a modern computer.
- Write a survey of different modules, plug-ins and libraries for a particular programming environment that would be appropriate for a particular audience of learners such as early KS, middle school, high school, or adult learners.
- Participate in discussions about user interface design and user experience in different applications.
- Compare and contrast the appropriateness of different languages and environments for different audiences of new learners.

**Academic Honesty Statement:** Academic honesty is very important. It is dishonest to cheat on exams, to copy term papers or projects, to submit papers or projects written by another person, to fake experimental results, or to copy or reword parts of books, articles, or other work 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 the instructor of the course privately as soon as possible. FMI https://umaine.edu/studentaccessibility/

**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/.

The most recently updated version of the following five sections can be found at:

https://umaine.edu/citl/teaching-resources-2/required-syllabus-information/
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GRADUATE PROGRAM/UNIT

School of Economics

COURSE DESIGNATOR  ECO  COURSE NUMBER  550  EFFECTIVE SEMESTER  Spring 2020

COURSE TITLE  International Environmental Economics and Policy

REQUESTED ACTION

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☐ Course Elimination

ENDORSEMENTS

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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 1 (FOR NEW COURSE PROPOSALS)

Proposed Course Description (Include designator, number, title, prerequisites, credit hours):

Designator: ECO
Number: 550
Title: International Environmental Economics and Policy
Prerequisites: MAT 115, and C or better in either ECO 350 or ECO 420, or equivalent with permission.
Credit Hours: 3
Does it meet Service Learning? N

Description:

International environmental economics and policy uses an economic framework to examine the reasons behind, and methods to solve, conflicts between economic development and growth, trade, and the environment. It then explores the processes of international policy development: identifying problems, designing and negotiating solutions, and implementing solutions to change national behavior.

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:

The instructor does not use a textbook; all of the reading and video content for the course are publicly available materials (e.g., WTO, UN-Environmental program, World Bank, etc.)

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

Mario Teis, Professor and Director School of Economics, 1-5 courses per year

Reason for new course:

This course is being offered at the graduate level as both ECO 550 and SPI 550 because the last several times I have taught the course, graduate students made up about 2/3 of the course enrollment. Students come from various academic programs outside of economics (e.g., SFR, BUA, EES, SPI, SECS, ANT, SMS, SBE). This course is cross-listed as both ECO 550 and SPI 550 with ECO 450. The SPI designation is being included as it is a required course for the Global Policy - environmental concentration.

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:

SPIA. They have been consulted and welcome the new designator and cross-listing. A proposal is being submitted through CLAS as well.

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 re-arranging teaching assignments?

Every other year
ECO 450/550 - International environmental economics and policy - Fall 2020

**Time:** MWF 10:00-10:50  
**Location:** 113 Deering Hall  
**Instructor:** Mario Teis, Professor and Director School of Economics  
**Office:** 206 Winslow Hall  
**email:** Teis@maine.edu  
**Office Hours:** I have many meetings so it is best to schedule an appointment with my Administrative Assistant, Karen Casey (1-3154; Karen.casey@maine.edu)

**Description:** The class will begin by presenting the basics of environmental economics and policy. We then discuss the economics behind international trade, and its effects on economic growth and development, and their impacts of the environment. We will then examine alternative causes of international environmental problems and explore solutions through the application of international environmental economics and policy. The class finishes by exploring the processes and institutions of international policy development: identifying problems, designing and negotiating solutions, and implementing policies to change national behavior. 3 Credit Hours.

**Prerequisites:** MAT 115 and C- or better in ECO 350 or 420 or permission

**Course objectives:** Students, using economic theory, graphs and math, will be able to:
- understand the basics of environmental economics and management
- identify the benefits (economic growth) and costs (environmental quality) of international trade
- explain the economic basis of international environmental problems and the objectives of international environmental policy
- illustrate the constraints faced in developing and applying environmental policy in an international context
- analyze and evaluate the tradeoffs inherent in designing environmental policy

More generally, students should increase their proficiency in critical analysis of economic and environmental problems, and developing logical economic and policy arguments. Students will demonstrate the above on exams, writing assignments and in oral responses in class.

**Learning activities:** The course uses lecture and discussion to demonstrate the economic interpretation of environmental problems. Exams and homework will be used to test student understanding of key economic concepts and arguments, and their ability to use graphical and mathematical tools. Writing assignments will allow students to demonstrate their ability to use and communicate the economic theories and tools to analyze environmental problems and design appropriate policy responses.

**Text(s):** Given the nature of the course, no one book satisfies as a textbook. In fact, I pull readings from many different sources. I will provide you electronic copies of readings on Blackboard (most of these are free from sources like the WTO, World Bank etc.). Note there is likely to be some repetition of concepts in the readings but that occurs when you pull together free materials.

**BlackBoard:** We will use the ECO 450 BlackBoard Website for course announcements, distribution of readings, and course assignments. Your default Blackboard email address is your UMaine gmail address (e.g., XXX@maine.edu); please check this email address daily during the semester. Additional BlackBoard resources can be found at UMaine's Information Technologies web page (http://umaine.edu/it/). If you run into problems contact http://umaine.edu/it/contact-us/.
Homework assignments:
All students: Homework assignments will focus on using your economic, graphical and mathematical skills to analyze policy problems. Unless you have made prior arrangements with me, homework is due by the beginning of class on the assigned due date. Homework may be worked on in groups; if you work as a group you need to only turn in one set of answers (include the names of the people in the group). The date when homework is to be turned in will be given when assigned; late homework will not be accepted. Those enrolled in ECO/SPST 550: Homework for graduate students will be longer, require more quantitative sophistication, and require more thoughtful essay responses than above.

Class Participation: Many of our classes will consist of discussions of issues raised in the readings. It is important that all assigned readings be done before the classes for which they are assigned. Class participation is important and you are expected to be able to comment intelligently on the assigned readings.

If you are not in class then you are not participating; however, I do understand the occasional need to miss class due to illness etc. Illness or family emergencies are usually the only acceptable reasons for missing class. If such a problem arises, you need to e-mail me before class and provide a written justification (e.g., medical note) so we can discuss alternatives.

Here is the (increasing marginal) cost schedule for missing class:
If you miss 1-2 classes you lose 0 points off your final grade
If you miss 3 classes you lose 2 points off your final grade
If you miss 4 classes you lose 5 points off your final grade
If you miss 5 classes you lose 9 points off your final grade
If you miss 6 classes you lose 15 points off your final grade
If you miss more than 6 classes you lose 25 points off your final grade

Special mandatory attendance days! Week of Dec. 12/5 (graduate presenters need an audience!)

Writing/Oral Assignments:
Those enrolled in ECO 450: You do not have a writing or oral assignment
Those enrolled in ECO/SPST 550: You will be required to do one writing/research assignment. You are to work on the research paper as individuals, not as a class; however, I do encourage you to edit each other's papers. You will then present your research paper to the class using a lighting format (Plan on each presentation being 10 minutes and 5 minutes for questions and 1 minutes for switching to next speaker). You must send me your PowerPoint presentation by 10am the day BEFORE you are presenting; If you develop your slides on an Apple device then you should also send me a PDF of your slides as a back-up.

Exams.
All students: There will be two midterms and one final exam. Both mid-term exams will consist of two parts: in-class (short questions, math and economic problems) and take-home (longer essay questions). In the essay questions you should demonstrate your understanding of how international environmental problems are evaluated, developed and implemented. Essays must be typed. The take home portion of the exam will be due one-week after the time it is made available. You are to work on the exam as individuals, not as a class. Exam dates are:
Exam 1: Oct. 7
Exam 2: Nov. 4
Final: TBD
Those enrolled in ECO/SPI 550: Exams for graduate students will be longer, require more quantitative sophistication, and require more thoughtful responses than above.

**Grading:** Assignments not handed in by the due date will receive a grade of 0 unless you have made prior arrangements with me. Illness or family emergencies are usually the only acceptable reasons for missing an exam or a problem set deadline. If such a problem arises, you need to e-mail me before the deadline and provide a written justification for missing the exam (e.g., medical note) so we can discuss alternatives.

Except for very extraordinary circumstances, failing to follow these rules will lead to a grade of zero for the missed exam/homework. Any exam from which one student is excused will be replaced by a make-up exam and I will schedule a make-up at only one time for each exam. Except for very exceptional reasons, no exams will be delayed or postponed.

Numerical grades will be used for all exams and homework. Letter grades will be assigned only for the overall course grade given at the end of the semester. Your final grade will be determined as:

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**Grading Rubric**

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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 (This should be customized to include the instructor’s name):** 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.

**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), the instruction is 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: 1-800-871-7741 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.
Or see the OSAVP website for a complete list of services at http://www.umaine.edu/osavp/
General Calendar
- Preliminaries: Materials balance, externalities, social welfare, market and government failure, Coase theorem/property rights, time dimensions, optimal pollution, environmental policies
- Growth and the environment, environmental Kuznets curve, basic resource economics, international resource management
- Trade theory, comparative advantage, Heckscher-Ohlin model, factor mobility and trade, benefits/costs of trade, trade history and law, policy tools
- Trade liberalization and the environment, pollution haven hypothesis
- Finance-related: FDI and international environmental protection, environmental micro-lending, debt-for-nature swaps
- Global Environmental Politics: History, actors in the environmental arena, the rise of non-state actors, international political economy, game theory of international negotiations
- Conflicts: more vs lesser developed, global vs local, democracy vs dictatorship

Special Dates: No class on 9/5, 10/10, 11/23-25
Fall 2016 Draft Calendar:

week 1:
Lecture - Basics
Readings – Pearson Chap 2.pdf; Pearson Chap 3.pdf (skip middle of 49 to part 3); Public goods and common property.pdf
OPTIONAL: Preliminaries.pdf (a review of micro; assume you know it)

week 2:
Lecture – Externality theory; benefit-cost analysis
Readings – Pearson Chap 5.pdf (page 114 to middle of 119);
Field & Field Chap 5.pdf; Field & Field BC analysis.pdf;
Damages and Abatement (Figure 4 is a simpler MARGINAL
translation of the information in quadrant 1, Figure 5.1, page 116 in
Pearson Chap 5 - we will use this translation in class)
OPTIONAL: Economic instruments – notes.pdf

week 3/4:
Lecture – Environmental toolkit - liability rules; Coase, Standards; Taxes/Subsidies;
Permit markets
Readings – Field & Field Chap 9-13.pdf;
Economic Instruments1.pdf

week 5:
Lecture – Multiple damage curves; Policy design with uncertainty in damages,
costs; International policy design: Environmental Kuznets curve
Readings – Baumol&Oates – Chap 5.pdf
Russell-choice of instruments.pdf
Economic Instruments2.pdf
EKC.pdf

week 6:
Lecture – Ricardo trade model; numerical example
Readings – trade readings1.pdf

week 7:
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Lecture – H-O trade model (fixed proportions); Rybcynski theorem;
Readings – trade readings1.pdf
EXAM 1

week 8:
Lecture – Stolper-Samuelson theorem; factor price equalization; H-O model
(variable proportions);
Readings – Binder 1.pdf

week 9:
Lecture – International trade and the environment policy;
Readings – WTO study.pdf (Note that you can skip Section I, Section II E, Section V and VI); Tuna_dolphin & shrimp_turtles.doc; Trade and the Environment.pdf;
WTO - dispute settlement.pdf; WTO & environment.pdf; WTO _ Trade and
environment.pdf;

week 10:
Lecture – International trade and the environment policy – empirical results;
Readings – Environment and trade handbook.pdf (you can skip sections 1, 4, 6 and 7); Evolution of Policy Responses to Stratospheric Ozone Depletion.pdf; Dupont.pdf
OPTIONAL: Trade_Measure.pdf

week 11:
Lecture – Politics of International environment policy (business and NGO
influence; env negotiations)
week 12: Lecture – Politics of International environment policy (local versus global diplomacy; top-down or bottom up; central vs democratic movements; green macroeconomics)
Readings – Local vs global.pdf; Dictatorship_democracy.pdf; Green GDP.pdf

week 13: Lecture – Case study: climate change
Readings – Climate change science and policy.pdf
Climate change economics.pdf
Climate change law.pdf

week 14: Oral Presentations
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  Mechanical Engineering

COURSE DESIGNATOR  MEE  COURSE NUMBER  590  EFFECTIVE SEMESTER  Spring 2020

COURSE TITLE  Modern Control Theory and Applications

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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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):

MEE 590 Modern Control Theory and Applications. (Prerequisite: A grade of C or better in MEE 370, graduate standing in MEE or permission of instructor; Cr 3) This course introduces the state-space methods for analysis and design of linear control systems. The assumed prerequisites are undergraduate courses in linear algebra and dynamic systems and controls. The analysis part of this course is concerned with stability, controllability, observability, realization, and minimality of the state-space model, while the control design part delves into the methods of pole placement for state feedback and observer design, and optimal methods such as linear quadratic regulator (LQR) and Kalman filter. Students will also learn how to apply the theory to engineering problems using MATLAB for both continuous-time and discrete-time systems. A grade of C or better in MEE 370, graduate standing in MEE or permission of instructor. Credits 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:

None required. The instructor provides the course texts and extensive handouts.

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

Babak Hejriati, Assistant Professor, Mechanical Engineering, 50%

Reason for new course:

The topics covered in this course are essential for working in the current areas of modeling dynamic systems and control engineering, and they are prerequisites for taking any advanced courses in these areas such as nonlinear control, optimal control, system identification, etc. In particular, this course will introduce the students to the state-space methods, which are widely used for analysis and design of simple to complex single-input single-output (SISO) and multi-input multi-output (MIMO) dynamic systems. Given the growing number of our graduate students, offering this new cross-listed course can be beneficial for those graduate students whose research involves any aspects of modeling, estimation, and control design for a dynamic system. Also, the state-space techniques developed in this course are applicable to various types of engineering and even non-engineering systems such as aerospace, mechanical, electrical, electromechanical, fluid, thermal, biological, and economic systems.

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.

The topics covered in this course do not overlap with materials covered in any other courses taught in the mechanical engineering department. There are no overlap with other graduate-level courses taught in the college of engineering, or the math department.

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?

Once per year. There will be no overload.
MEE 490/590 Modern Control Theory and Applications
Spring 2020

Instructor
Prof. Babak Hejrati
Email: babak.hejrati@maine.edu
Office Location: 225 Boardman Hall
Phone: (207) 581-6889
Office Hours: TBD
TA Email: TBD

Class Schedule
TBD
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Course Description: (In-person lectures, Credits 3) This course introduces the state-space methods for analysis and design of linear control systems. The assumed prerequisites are undergraduate courses in linear algebra and dynamic systems and controls. The analysis part of this course is concerned with stability, controllability, observability, realization, and minimality of the state-space model, while the control design part delves into the methods of pole placement for state feedback and observer design, and optimal methods such as linear quadratic regulator (LQR) and Kalman filter. Students will also learn how to apply the theory to engineering problems using MATLAB for both continuous-time and discrete-time systems.

Prerequisites: MEE 370. Graduate Standing in MEE or permission of instructor.


Course Notes: Students should make sure that their Blackboard account is set up to receive all the announcements and relevant materials.

Course Goals: This course teaches the fundamentals of modern control theory and its engineering applications. The main goal of this course is to provide students with basic tools in modeling, analysis and design for control and estimation based on the state-space approach. The knowledge gained through this course is essential for more recent and advanced control courses such as nonlinear control, robust control, optimal control, adaptive control, digital control, sampled-data control, hybrid control, and system identification. The approach is to provide a strong underpinning, rather than a cookbook approach, in order that the students may more readily apply concepts to new situations. It is assumed that the students are very well familiar with topics in classical control such as transfer function, linear time-invariant systems, and feedback control systems and have a good grasp.
of linear algebra and matrix mathematics. The state-space techniques developed in this course are applicable to various types of engineering and even non-engineering systems such as aerospace, mechanical, electrical, electromechanical, fluid, thermal, biological, and economic systems. This is because such systems can be modeled mathematically by the same types of governing equations. The modeling is not formally addressed in this course, rather we present the tools for developing a linear time-invariant state-equation model of the physical system under study. With mathematics as the unifying language, the fundamental results and methods presented here are amenable to translation into the application of interest.

**Instructional Objectives:**

1. Review linear algebra and matrix mathematics with emphasis on eigenvalues and eigenvectors.
2. Introduce state variables and state-space descriptions of linear time-invariant (LTI) dynamic systems.
3. Teach the realization of the state-space model as well as the relationship between transfer-function and state-space representations.
4. Develop the ability to analyze continuous-time and discrete-time linear systems to determine controllability, observability, and stability characteristics.
5. Introduce the design of state feedback control and observer.
6. Teach optimal methods including linear quadratic regulator (LQR) and Kalman filter.

**Learning Outcomes:** By the end of this course, students will be able to

1. Formulate the state-space models for continuous- and discrete-time LTI dynamic systems.
2. Determine solutions to the state equations by a variety of methods.
3. Determine various properties of these systems including stability, controllability, and observability.
4. Design state feedback controllers and state observers.
5. Design optimal controllers and estimators such as LQR and Kalman filter.
6. Apply the theory to engineering problems using MATLAB (e.g., creating state-space models, evaluating a system’s response to different inputs, implementing optimal control algorithms).

**Grade Distribution (Undergraduate Students):**

- Homework: 20%
- Midterm 1: 20%
- Midterm 2: 20%
- Computer Projects and Labs: 20%
- Final Exam: 20%
- Extra-credit quizzes: 5%

**Grade Distribution (Graduate Students):**

- Homework: 10%
- Midterm 1: 20%
- Midterm 2: 20%
- Computer Projects and Labs: 15%
- Final Project: 15%
- Final Exam: 20%
- Extra-credit quizzes: 5%
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Course Policies:

- **General**
  - Attendance is required in this class and missing more than three lectures results in losing 5 points of your final accumulative grade out of 100.
  - Laptop computers may only be used to take notes. The use of cell phones is strictly prohibited in the classroom.

- **Exams**
  - Two midterm exams and an accumulative final exam are scheduled. All the exams will be closed book, closed notes. You can bring one two-sided formula sheet (i.e., you can write on both sides) and your calculator on the exam session.
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- **Homework**
  - Homework problems will be assigned when appropriate materials are covered. Make sure you do the homework problems since they are the bases for the midterm and final exams.
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- A total of two or three computer projects (MATLAB and Simulink) will be assigned throughout the semester. The computer projects will cover the concepts taught in the class preparing students for real-world applications. **Students are expected to do the computer projects on individual basis.**

- The labs are designed to provide students with hands-on experience. We will use the haptic paddle located in room 202 at the Crosby Hall, and students will work in **groups of 4 to 5 students** to do the lab assignments and submit **one report per group.**

- **Graduate students are required** to work independently on a final project. They should **consult with the instructor** to determine their project's subject before the **second midterm exam** and they should submit a report in an IEEE conference paper format as provided on the Blackboard by the **end of the semester.**

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- Students will take several extra-credit quizzes throughout the semester. These quizzes are for **extra credits**, and they provide good opportunities for students to make up for some points that they may have lost in other sections. Also, these quizzes are excellent check points for students to evaluate their undersigning of the course materials.

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Course Schedule: This is a tentative schedule and the weekly coverage might change
as it depends on the progress of the class.

• State-Space Fundamentals
  - State space representation of dynamic systems
    Assignment 1 [Class 1&2]
  - Obtaining the state equations
    Assignment 2 [Class 3&4&5]

• Linear Algebra and Matrix Mathematics
  - Basis, representation, and orthonormalization [Class 6]
  - Linear algebraic equations [Class 6&7]
  - Diagonal form and Jordan form [Class 7&8]
  - Eigenvalues and eigenvectors [Class 8]
    Assignment 3

• State-space solutions and realizations
  - Solution of LTI state-space equations [Class 9]
  - Test 1 [Class 10]
  - Equivalent state-space equations [Class 11]
  - Realizations [Class 12]
    Assignment 4

• Stability, Controllability, and Observability of Linear Systems
  - Input-output stability of LTI systems [Class 13]
  - Internal stability and Lyapunov theorem [Class 14]
    Assignment 5

  - Controllability [Class 15]
  - Observability [Class 16]
    Assignment 6

  - Kalman canonical decomposition [Class 17]
  - Conditions in Jordan-form equations and controllability after sampling [Class 18]
  - Test 2 [Class 19]

• Design of State Feedback Controllers and State Observers
- State feedback and output feedback  
  \[ \text{Assignment 7} \]  
  [Class 20\&21]

- Pole placement using state feedback  
  - Observers  
  \[ \text{Assignment 8} \]  
  [Class 22\&23] [Class 24\&25]

- Optimal Control  
  - Linear quadratic regulator (LQR)  
  \[ \text{Assignment 9} \]  
  [Class 26\&27]

- Kalman filter design  
  \[ \text{Final Exam} \]  
  [Class 28\&29]

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GRADUATE PROGRAM/UNIT: Food Science and Human Nutrition

COURSE DESIGNATOR: FSN. COURSE NUMBER: 542. EFFECTIVE SEMESTER: Fall 2020

COURSE TITLE: Sustainability, Nutrition and Health

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

ELIMINATION:

☐ Course Elimination

ENDORSEMENTS

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Leader, Initiating Department/Unit(s)

[Signature]
5/13/2019

College(s) Curriculum Committee Chair(s) or equivalent

[Signature]
5/28/2019

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):

FSN 542 Sustainability, Nutrition, and Health: This course explores sustainable practices when growing, processing, transporting, distributing, choosing, preparing, and consuming food and how these practices affect the triad of sustainability, i.e. environment, society (health) and economy in the context of the "Farm to Healthy Body" model. Applications for health professionals are addressed. Prerequisites: FSN 410 and NUR 303 or permission. Credits: 3

Components (type of course used by Student Records for MainStreet) - 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):

Professor Dorothy Klimis-Zacas, Professor of Clinical Nutrition (50% teaching)

Reason for new course:

Part of curriculum for new Certificate offering in Human Nutrition

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?

Every other Fall-even years
AND SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS:
- High-speed internet access (DSL or cable)
- Mozilla Firefox web browser is recommended (available for download at no cost)
- Adobe Acrobat Reader (available for download at no cost): http://get.adobe.com/reader/
- Microsoft Word (if you do not have Microsoft word, download Open Office for free at
  http://www.openoffice.org)

ACCESSING THE COURSE WEBSITE:
This course is located on Blackboard. You may access the course website by typing in
http://www.courses.maine.edu into your Internet Browser’s URL bar (Mozilla Firefox web
browser is highly recommended). Please type in your username and password and click
on the Login button. Your login information should be the same user name and
password that are used to access your Maine Street account and your UNET
(yourname@maine.edu) account. On the right side of the page under "My Courses", you
will now see a list of courses. Please click on "FSN 542: Nutrition, Sustainability and
Health". The Home page for this course will appear. On the left side of the page, you will
see a course menu with links to the course syllabus, lecture units, assignments, exams,
discussion and announcement boards. If you have any problems with logging in or need
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COURSE OBJECTIVES
Upon successful completion of the course the student will be able to:

1. Develop an understanding of how sustainable agricultural practices can affect the
   environment and ultimately human health.

2. Identify the components of a sustainable diet.

3. Understand the role of the individual, community, government, and the health
   professional in applying the principles of sustainability.

4. Understand the sociopolitical barriers and forces preventing change.

5. Develop critical thinking when evaluating literature in the related field.
UNIVERSITY OF MAINE
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FSN 542 – Sustainability, Nutrition and Health
Course Information

Instructor: Dorothy Klimis-Zacas, M.S., PhD, FACN
Professor of Clinical Nutrition
Cooperating Professor
School of Biomedical Science

Office: 232 Hitchner Hall, University of Maine, Campus
Email: dorothea@maine.edu

COURSE FORMAT:
All lectures, assignments and exams for this course are accessed via the Internet on Blackboard at http://www.courses.maine.edu. This course contains 13 units, which include pre-recorded weekly lectures. All units are available as shown in this syllabus under “Course Schedule”.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE:
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COMMUNICATING WITH THE PROFESSOR:
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EXPLANATION OF COURSE FORMAT AND REQUIREMENTS

This course follows a weekly schedule. Please be sure to check the course schedule often (see below for course schedule) to complete assignments, and exams on time. Communications regarding assignments and tests will be made via Blackboard. The following components of the course may be accessed from the course menu on the left side of the page, once you are logged on to Blackboard.

Lecture Units

This course includes 13 units. These units are available on the course website under the "Lecture Units" tab. Within each unit, you will find a video of the lecture. Please read the assigned readings first, and then view the lecture video.

Exams

Two exams will be given over the course of the semester. Each exam will be available for 24 hours during the dates listed on this syllabus under "Course Schedule". Exams may be accessed from the "Exam" tab on the course website. Please enter the dates of your exams in your personal calendar at the beginning of this course. Excuses of forgetting to take the exam or missing the exam due to inexcusable reasons will result in a 0 grade for the exam. The number of minutes allotted for each exam will be 60. Once you begin the exam, you must complete it (there is no pausing or stopping). If you pause or stop, time stills runs. You must complete the exam within the allotted timeframe to receive credit for each exam. Your exam grades will be provided automatically via the course website on Blackboard.

Paper: Applying the principles of sustainable nutrition in the field (community, farm, food company, restaurant, hospital, at home, etc). Details will be given in class.

MAKE-UP POLICY

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GRADUATE PROGRAM/UNIT School of Economics

COURSE DESIGNATOR ECO COURSE NUMBER 581 EFFECTIVE SEMESTER Spring 2020

COURSE TITLE Agent-Based Modeling

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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ELIMINATION:

☐ Course Elimination

ENDORSEMENTS

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Leader, Initiating Department/Unit(s)

Instructor and Graduate Coordinator, School of Economics

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

College Dean(s)

Graduate School [sign and date]

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SECTION 2 (FOR COURSE MODIFICATIONS)

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

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Prerequisites & Notes
SMS 552 or permission.

Credits: 3

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Prerequisites: Graduate standing or instructor permission.

Credits: 3

Reason for course modification:
The old prerequisite, SMS 552 is no longer offered.

SECTION 3 FOR COURSE ELIMINATIONS

Reason for Elimination

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GRADUATE PROGRAM/UNIT  COEHD Instructional Technology

COURSE DESIGNATOR  EDT  COURSE NUMBER  616  EFFECTIVE SEMESTER  Spring 2020

COURSE TITLE  New Directions for Educational Technology

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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Leader, Initiating Department/Unit(s)

Meredith Swallow  Digitally signed by Meredith Swallow
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College(s) Curriculum Committee Chair(s) (if applicable)

Shene Weeks  Sherri L. Miller  May 27, 2019

College Dean(s)

Graduate School (sign and date)

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SECTION 2 [FOR COURSE MODIFICATIONS]

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

Seminar in Educational Technology is a course which allows students to investigate complex issues revolving around the use of instructional technology. Students who successfully complete this course will gain an understanding of the ways in which technology is used to support education. They will explore some of the barriers and challenges facing appropriate use of technology and will craft thoughtful responses to the major issues of today. The course is required for students enrolled in the Master's Program in Instructional technology.

Prerequisite- EDT 520 or permission. Credits 3

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

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Reason for course modification:

The previous version of EDT 618 was outdated, and the revision reflects the dynamic nature of technology innovation and educational media.

SECTION 3 FOR COURSE ELIMINATIONS

Reason for Elimination:

Please return the completed 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.
Course: EDT 818
Course Title: New Directions for Educational Technology
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Prerequisites: EDT 520 or permission.

Date Approved for 680 Endorsement: (Program Coordinator will assist with this)

Program Vision
The University of Maine Master’s program in Instructional Technology is offered fully online and is designed to help students become leaders in effective and innovative uses of current and emerging technology. The required coursework, research, and clinical experiences are designed for educators working in a variety of contexts. Students will engage in inquiry-based curriculum and build capacity to continually assess their local context; implement technology to enhance teaching, learning and assessment; build professional learning networks to support ongoing professional development; and develop expertise in current and emerging instructional technologies. Essential to this program is a commitment to local community, advocacy for accessibility, and social justice, especially in the context of the potential for new technology to influence local educational settings.

Course Objectives:

The purpose of the course is to provide a context where students can research, explore, and discuss how technologies become integrated into classrooms. We will use what we find as lenses for considering emerging technologies and how they might create new opportunities for learning and teaching. Students will:

- Investigate the history of emerging technologies to develop an understanding of whether, when, why, and how they became widely adopted.
- Develop an understanding and awareness of the affordances of emerging technologies for learning and teaching.
- Explore the circumstances under which emerging technologies can become integral to education.

How does the course explore the central questions?

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Program Assessment at UMaine:

- 2014 Program Assessment Plan approved by Provost
- Progress made to date predominantly at undergraduate level
- 2019-2020 introducing graduate program assessment workshops
  - Initial workshops focused on student learning outcomes
  - Pilot with UMaineGold programs in fall
  - Expanding to other programs late fall/spring 2020

Student Learning Outcomes Workshops

Fall 2019

Objectives:

- Discuss the importance of student learning outcomes and examples from other institutions
- Outline unique challenges pertaining to graduate learning outcomes,
- Develop or strengthen student learning outcomes specific to your discipline and degree program
- Publish student learning outcomes on program website (NECHE directive)
- Pilot with UMaineGOLD programs

Examples of student learning outcomes at the graduate level:

- Washington State University (https://gradschool.wsu.edu/student-learning-outcomes/)
- Drexel University (https://drexel.edu/provost/assessment/outcomes/grad-program/)
- Ohio State University
- Cornell University (https://gradschool.cornell.edu/degrees-fields/cugradfop/)
Graduate Program Assessment of Student Learning Outcomes

NECHE Standards: Program Assessment

8.1 The institution enrolling multiple student bodies, by degree level, location, modality, or other variables, develops and uses the data, evidence, and information below for each student body.

8.3 Assessment of learning is based on verifiable statements of what students are expected to gain, achieve, demonstrate, or know by the time they complete their academic program. The process of understanding what and how students are learning focuses on the course, competency, program, and institutional level. Assessment has the support of the institution’s academic and institutional leadership and the systematic involvement of faculty and appropriate staff.

Student Learning Outcomes:

"...are directed goals that encompass the knowledge, skills, and abilities students should have achieved by the end of the program or course. SLOs emphasize what students can do with what they have learned, resulting in a product that can be evaluated" (CET&L, 2016).

Broad examples of Graduate learning outcomes:

- Demonstrate knowledge in the field of study
- Solve problems related to the field of study
- Communicate effectively (written and oral)
- Use a variety of sources and evaluate multiple points of view to analyze and integrate information
- Use appropriate technologies to communicate, collaborate, conduct research, solve problems and conduct reasoned arguments