THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT ASHEVILLE

FACULTY SENATE

Senate Docu	Imen	t Number	<u>4012S</u>	
Date of Senate Approval 02/			02/09/12	
Statement of	Fac	ulty Sena	te Action:	
APC Document 30:			Change course description and credit hours for RELS 313 Change course title, description, and credit hours for RELS 33	0
Effective Date:	Fall 2	012		
1. Delete:	On page 256, the entry for RELS 313 :			
	313	•	n America Since 1865 (3) Jude postbellum revivalism: science and fundamentalism: Jewish	

Topics include postbellum revivalism; science and fundamentalism; Jewish immigration; new African American religions; Catholicism; and contemporary diversities. Spring.

Add: On page 256, in place of deleted entry:

313 Religion in America Since 1865 (4)

Topics include postbellum revivalism; the Social Gospel; science and fundamentalism; Jewish and Catholic immigration; new African American religions and the Civil Rights Movement; and religion and public life. Spring.

2. Delete: On page 257, the entry for RELS 330:

330 Women and Religion (3)

This comparative course focuses on how women create and negotiate religious identities and space for themselves within the world's religious traditions. Topics include creation myths, bodies and sexuality, narrative and performance traditions, rituals, leadership and agency, and feminist critiques and methodologies. See department chair.

Add: On page 256, in place of deleted entry:

330 Religion and Gender (4)

Focuses on how people who identify with various gendered experiences and expressions create and negotiate religious identities and space for themselves within the world's religious traditions. Topics, which are addressed from a comparative perspective, include creation myths, bodies and sexuality, narrative and performance traditions, rituals, and leadership and agency. See department chair.

Impact statement:

Changing both these courses from 3 to 4 credit hours will necessitate an additional credit hour of faculty load when they are offered, which will be absorbed into the current 12 hour load; no additional faculty or resources will be required. Since RELS 313 is a required course for majors, the additional credit hour will be balanced to some degree by dropping 3 credit hours from the current requirement of 9 credit hours in RELS electives.

Rationale:

Since these are (and should remain) WI courses, we want to expand the amount of classroom time spent on practical writing instruction without a consequent loss of time spent on course content. Both courses will add writing *practica* to class time, in addition to maintaining outside of class writing assignments. Otherwise, the changes in the title and description of RELS 330 are designed to better reflect the more expansive focus of the Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies program for which this course is a related elective.