

THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT ASHEVILLE

FACULTY SENATE

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Statement of Faculty Senate Action:

APC Document 63: **Delete DRAM 317, Creative Drama for Teachers, Grades K-6;
Replace with new course, DRAM 319, Creative Drama**

Effective Date: Fall 2012

1. Delete: On page 116, the entry for **DRAM 317, Creative Drama for Teachers, Grades K-6:**

317 Creative Drama for Teachers, Grades K-6 (3)

Theory and practice of teaching drama as a creative activity addressing grades K-6, where the emphasis is on personal development of the participants rather than on performance or an audience. Even years Spring.

Add: On page 116, new course, **DRAM 319, Creative Drama:**

319 Creative Drama (3)

Theory and practice of dramatic activities such as story dramatization, storytelling, pantomime, improvisation, puppetry, and theater games as a process for fostering creativity, self-expression, interpersonal skills, and aesthetic awareness. Appropriate for students interested in learning interactive ways to lead and facilitate groups in therapeutic, educational or community settings. See department chair.

Impact:

There will be no impact on the drama department's staffing needs and course offerings.

Rationale:

The specialized nature of DRAM 317, Creative Drama for Teachers, K-6 limited course interest to primarily K-12 Theater Arts Licensure students, which resulted in low enrollment. The proposed changes seek to increase course enrollment and attract more drama majors and non-majors who are interested in gaining new skills and experiences related to the theoretical and practical applications of this art form.