

THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT ASHEVILLE
FACULTY SENATE

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Statement of Faculty Senate Action:

APC Document 38: **Change the title and description of PHIL 313**

Effective Date: Fall 2013

1. Delete: On page 245, the entry for **PHIL 313**:

313 Oriental Philosophy (3)

A survey of the main philosophies/religions of the Orient: Hinduism, Buddhism, Taoism, Confucianism and Neo-Confucianism. Their content, context and relevance to Western thought. Odd years Fall.

Add: On page 245, in place of deleted entry:

313 Asian Philosophy (3)

A survey of major philosophical ideas and traditions, both classical and contemporary, originating in India and China, and developed generally in Asia. Odd years Spring.

Impact Statement: This change, both in the title of the course as well as in its description, will have no known negative impact on the Philosophy major, minor and university requirements. It will also not affect the department's staffing needs and course offerings. The change should have a positive impact in terms of student interest and also in bringing our course offerings on par with that of other solid undergraduate philosophy departments.

Rationale: The removal of the outdated course title 'oriental' allows us to avoid committing many of the gross errors and generalizations that thinkers like Edward Said have shown to be implied by the term 'Oriental.' Further, the modifications in the description reflect what is intended to be covered in this course.