

THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT ASHEVILLE
FACULTY SENATE

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Statement of Faculty Senate Action:

APC Document 44

**Change level, credit hours and description of PHIL 220;
Change credit hours and description of PHIL 302;
Change credit hours and description of PHIL 365,
cross-listing it with WGSS**

Effective Date: Fall 2014

1. Delete: On page 239, the entry for **PHIL 220:**

220 Existentialism (3)

An examination of representative philosophical works of various existentialists, e.g. Sartre and Heidegger. See department chair.

Add: On page 240, entry at :

320 Existentialism (4)

An examination of representative themes from philosophical and literary works of various existentialists, e.g. Kierkegaard, Nietzsche, Sartre and de Beauvoir. Spring.

Impact: This change 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.

Rationale: The additional credit hour allows for added emphasis on inclusiveness, thereby providing a more accurate and in depth understanding of major authors of existentialism.

2. Delete: On page 239, the entry for **PHIL 302:**

302 Philosophy of Sex and Gender (3)

Problems of sex and gender, such as the link between sex and gender, ethics of sexuality, "naturalness" of sex and gender roles, feminism as it relates to issues in sexual and gender role assignment. See department chair.

Add: On page 240, entry for course with new number:

302 Philosophy of Sex and Gender (4)

Theories of sex and gender, such as the link between sex and gender, the social construction of sex and gender and the power dynamics that operate in and around both construction of sex and gender and lived experience of each. Issues such as sexual ethics, gender presentation and sexual orientation; special emphasis on feminist analysis of these issues. Even years Fall.

Impact: This change 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.

Rationale: The additional credit hour allows for an added emphasis on a few dominant issues in the contemporary philosophical discussion of sex and gender.

3a. Delete: On page 239, the entry for **PHIL 365:**

365 Feminist Theory (3)

An investigation of selected feminist theorists on a variety of topics that are current in the literature. Prerequisite: two courses in philosophy; or WGSS 100 and permission of instructor. See department chair.

Add: On page 239, in place of deleted entry:

365 Feminist Theory (WGSS 365) (4)

An investigation of selected feminist theories on a variety of topics and from a variety of disciplines and social locations, such as feminist epistemologies, feminist narrative theories, and political theories from feminists of color. Issues such as intersectionality of oppressions and the dynamics of power involved in maintaining oppressions, as well as resistance to oppressions. Odd years Fall.

3b. Delete: On page 277, the entry for **WGSS 365:**

365 Interdisciplinary Approaches to Feminist Theory (3)

An investigation of selected feminist theorists on a variety of topics that are current in the literature. Prerequisite: two courses in philosophy; or WGSS 100 and permission of instructor. See department chair.

Add: On page 277, in place of deleted entry:

365 Feminist Theory (PHIL 365) (4)

An investigation of selected feminist theories on a variety of topics and from a variety of disciplines and social locations, such as feminist epistemologies, feminist narrative theories, and political theories from feminists of color. Issues such as intersectionality of oppressions and the dynamics of power involved in maintaining oppressions, as well as resistance to oppressions. Odd years Fall.

Impact: This change 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.

Rationale: The additional credit hour allows for an added emphasis on a few dominant issues in the contemporary feminist theory. The course has been cross-listed with WGSS on the schedule many times, but will now be officially cross-listed at the catalog level.