

THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT ASHEVILLE

FACULTY SENATE

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Statement of Faculty Senate Action:

APC Document 54: **Delete ANTH 455 and 465, replacing with ANTH 464;
Delete SOC 455 and 465, replacing with SOC 464**

Effective Date: Fall 2014

1. Delete: On page 265, then entries for **ANTH 455 and 465:**

455 Senior Thesis Seminar (SOC 455) (3)

Students will continue the ethnographies or other social research projects for the senior thesis begun in their methods course. Students will discover analytical concepts emerging from their own data, culminating in a final report that is presented orally and in writing. Prerequisite: ANTH 336 or SOC 337. Fall and Spring.

465 Senior Symposium (SOC 465) (3)

This course examines contemporary topics in the fields of Anthropology and Sociology, focusing on theoretical and methodological concerns and examination of the disciplines in the contemporary world. Intersectionalities of, and distinctions between Anthropology and Sociology, qualitative and quantitative methodologies, and theoretical perspectives will also be explored. Prerequisite: ANTH 455 or SOC 455. Fall and Spring.

Add: On page 265, new course, **ANTH 464**, Senior Colloquium:

464 Senior Colloquium (4)

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Impact: ANTH 464 and SOC 464 will serve as the new capstone courses for the majors in Anthropology and Sociology. We currently offer 455 and 465 six times each year (SOC 455 twice a year, ANTH 455 twice a year, and SOC/ANTH 465 twice a year). With a single capstone course, three sections of 464 will be needed each year.

Rationale: Students can take either ANTH or SOC 464 to fulfill major requirements. The course is intended to be part of our interdisciplinary curriculum that incorporates both disciplines. Anthropology and Sociology students benefit from being together and responding to the elements in both disciplines that continue to converge and inform each other.

ANTH/SOC 464 will be offered with a range of topics, making it a course that can be repeated as topics change. We are choosing not to cross-list the courses to make it clear to students double-majoring in both Anthropology and Sociology that they will need to complete two different capstone courses to meet the requirements.