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Delete NM 107

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1. Delete: On page 234, the entry for **NM107, Introduction to Computers and New Media.**

107 Introduction to Computers and New Media (CSCI 107) (3)

A survey of computer hardware and software, networking and the Internet, the convergence of personal computers and consumer electronics, digital representation of sound and images, multimedia presentations and authoring. Includes formal labs to develop skills in useful computer applications such as spreadsheets, databases, Internet browsers and multimedia design tools. Fall and Spring.

Impact: There will be no impact on the resources and staffing of the NM department due to this change. No new lab equipment or space will be needed.

Rationale: Since NM 101 and 121(changing to 231) will be four hour courses instead of three hour courses, content from NM 107 will now be included in these courses. Specifically, 107 content relevant to hardware, software, and the digital representation of sound and image will be included in 101, which introduces students to the tools of digital sound and image creation. NM 107 content relevant to networking and the internet will be included in NM 231, which introduces students to web design. Pragmatically, 107 was never really a prerequisite to 121. It was regularly waived as a prerequisite because it caused a bottleneck in the curriculum and the material taught in 107 was not specifically required for students to take 121. Thus some students wound up taking 107 toward the end of the curriculum, which defeated its purpose as an introductory requirement.