

THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT ASHEVILLE
FACULTY SENATE

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Statement of Faculty Senate Action:

APC Document 45 (NM) Revised: Change the requirements for the New Media major and minor

Effective Date: Fall 2017

1. Delete: On page 247, under **Major in New Media**, items I and II:

- I. Required courses for the major—36 hours including: NM 101, 142, 222, 231, 251, 281, 438, 490; and 8 hours from one of the following Emphasis areas:
 - a. Computer Animation: NM 310, 410
 - b. Interactive Art and Design: NM 320, 420
 - c. Video Art and Design: NM 350, 450
- II. Required courses outside of the major—14 hours: one course from CSCI 181, 182 or 185; CSCI 344 or 346; MATH 167 or STAT 185, or higher level MATH or STAT; and either PHYS 101 and 121 or PHYS 102 and 122.

Add: On page 247, in place of deleted entry:

- I. Required courses for the major—36 hours including: NM 101, 231, 251, 281, 438, 490; one course from NM 142, 146 or 344; 4 additional hours of New Media electives in a studio course at the 300-400 level; and 8 hours from one of the following Emphasis Areas:
 - a. Computer Animation: NM 310, NM 410
 - b. Interactive Art and Design: NM 320 or 330; NM 420
 - c. Video Art and Design: NM 350, NM 450
- d. Required courses outside of the major—11 hours: one course from CSCI 182, 183 or 185; MATH 167 or STAT 185 or higher level MATH or STAT; and either PHYS 101 and 121 or PHYS 102 and 122.

Impact: There will be no impact on the resources and staffing of the NM department due to this change. NM 222 (4 credits) has been deleted and replaced with an elective (4 credits).

NM 142 and NM 344 will be offered alternately with the new NM 146, so each semester at least one will be offered, and every other year, two will be offered in a semester. NM 330 is also being added as an alternative to NM 320 for the 300-level requirement in the interactive emphasis area.

Rationale: These changes reflect the current New Media curriculum and course offerings to allow intellectual diversity and install inclusive and flexibility to our current rigid curriculum. It will enable students to graduate on time, encouraging them to explore new ideas and take risks in their work.

- CSCI 344/346 were specific courses suited to a portion of our majors, but not all of them.
- Transferring the hours from NM 222 to NM elective hours allows students to better tailor their individual trajectories through the program.
- Adding NM 146 (Video Game Studies) and NM 344 (History of Design) as alternatives to NM 142 (New Media History and Theory) increases the variety of options students have in fulfilling their writing competency requirement within the major.

2. Delete: On page 248, under **Requirements for the Minor:**

At least 21 hours including: 3 hours from CSCI 181, 182 or 185; 8 hours from NM 101, 201, 222, 231, 251, 281; 8 hours from 300-400 level NM; and one elective chosen from the courses listed below.

Add: On page 248, in place of deleted entry:

At least 21 hours including: 3 hours from CSCI 182, 183 or 185; 8 hours from NM 101, 201, 231, 251, 281; 8 hours from 300-400 level NM; and one elective chosen from the courses listed below.

Impact: There will be no impact on the resources and staffing of the NM department due to this change.

Rationale: The change reflects the deletion of NM 222 from the catalog.