

THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA ASHEVILLE
FACULTY SENATE

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Statement of Faculty Senate Action:

APC Document 36 (AFST): Add a new course, **AFST 380, Modern Day Slavery**

Effective Date: Fall 2021

1. Add: On page 69, new course, **AFST 380, Modern Day Slavery:**

380 Modern Day Slavery (4)

Slavery, one of the oldest of all tyrannies, continues in modern times as part of our economic, social, and political realities. This course critically examines the phenomenon of slavery and how it continues to perpetuate in our modern world. This will include a brief examination of historical slavery, the different forms of modern day slavery, including human trafficking, forced labor and child labor. Furthermore this course will engage the concepts of race, class and gender, and other identifiers, which contributes to the phenomena. The complex nature of this topic requires an interdisciplinary approach in order to provide a comprehensive understanding of the phenomena. Part of the class includes exploring possible strategic solutions to modern day slavery. The class will use a combination of lectures, audiovisuals, classroom discussions, group work, and presentations. Even years; Spring.

Impact: No additional faculty resources will be required for this proposed course since it has been offered as a special topics course three times: Fall 2015, Fall 2018, and Fall 2020. The course expands the availability of courses that address a serious societal program. It will count as a Social Science course for LAC and fulfill an elective requirement for Africana and International Studies. We will apply for the DI designation once the APC/Senate process is completed.

Information about the course:

- Student Learning Objectives
At the end of the course, students will be able to:
 1. Define and understand slavery in both historical and modern context.
 2. Define and understand human trafficking.
 3. Identify forms of slavery and human trafficking.
 4. Assess critical challenges in eradicating slavery in the modern global society.
 5. Synthesize and create possible strategic solutions to modern day slavery.
- Anticipated class size
10-20 Students
- The amount of scheduled class time, e.g. 2.5 hrs/wk
2.8 hrs/wk
- Instructional format (lecture, lab, seminar, independent, research, internship, studio, etc.)
Lecture
- Any specialized space or material needs.
N/A

Rationale: This course adds to the permanent offerings of the Africana Studies program. AFST courses may be used as part of the [14 hours of electives](#), and this course adds to the number of AFST options beyond AFST 130. The course reflects current trends in this critical area of study. The current curriculum is missing higher level Africana Studies prefix courses. Thus, this higher level course serves a dual purpose -- 1) provides students the opportunity to demonstrate higher level thinking, critical thinking, problem solving, communication, collaboration, and innovation skills on a contemporary issue in Africana Studies, and 2) contributes to the approved courses where students seek to understand the complex historical and contemporary issues affecting Africans and peoples of African descent.