

Course Approval Form

For approval of new courses and deletions or modifications to an existing course.

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Action Requested: Create new course Modify existing course (check a x Title Credits Prereq/coreq Sched Other:	· · · · —	Course Leve Undergra X Graduate Grade Type	duate
College/School:ScienceDepartment:GGSSubmitted by:Tim LeslieExt:3-4336Email:tleslie@gmu.edu			
Subject Code: GGS Number: 540 (Do not list multiple codes or numbers. Each course proposal must have a separate form.) Effective Term: X Fall Spring Year 2014 Summer			
Title: Current Medical Geography Banner (30 characters max including spaces) Health Geography New Health Geography			
Credits: Fixed Variable or to Repeat Status: (check one) Not Repeatable (NR) Repeatable within degree (RD) Maximum credits Repeatable within term (RT) Repeatable within term (RT) allowed:			
Grade Mode: (check one) Regular (A, B, C) Satisfactory/No Special (A, B C)	Credit Type Code(s)		
Prerequisite(s):	Corequisite(s):	100% Hybr	ctional Mode: % face-to-face id: ≤ 50% electronically delivered % electronically delivered
Special Instructions: (list restrictions for major, college, or degree; hard-coding; etc.) Are there equivalent course(s)? Yes No If yes, please list			
Catalog Copy for NEW Courses Only (Consult University Catalog for models) Description (No more than 60 words, use verb phrases and present tense) Notes (List additional information for the course)			
Indicate number of contact hours: Hours of Lecture or Seminar per week: When Offered: (check all that apply) Fall Summer Spring Hours of Lab or Studio:			
Approval Signatures			
Department Approval	Date	College/School Approval	Date
If this course includes subject matter currently dealt with by any other units, the originating department must circulate this proposal for review by those units and obtain the necessary signatures prior to submission. Failure to do so will delay action on this proposal.			
Unit Name	Unit Approval Name	Unit Approver's Signature	Date
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For Graduate Courses Only			
Graduate Council Member	Provost Office	Graduate	Council Approval Date
For Registrar Office's Use Only: BannerCatalog revised 2/2/10			

Course Change Proposal Submitted to the Curriculum Committee of the College of Science

1. COURSE NUMBER AND TITLE:

GGS 540 – Medical Geography to GGS 540 – Health Geography

2. COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Spatial approaches to study of health and disease. Topics include disease ecology and diffusion, and geographic perspectives on improving health care delivery.

2. CHANGE JUSTIFICATION:

The intersection between geography and medicine has changed dramatically over time. The discipline has expanded such that it no longer covers just disease but a wide variety of aspects of public health. As such, renaming the course to accommodate that growth is appropriate and sensible. Thankfully, the course description in place already accommodates this name change without trouble.