Course Change Form

Date of Request: March 7, 2008
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Course Revision

1. Course Title: **Newspaper Production**
   Prefix & Num: COMM 2210

2. Pre-requisite(s): COMM 1130
   Co-requisite(s):
   Instructor permission required: Yes
   *LEC: 0 *LBC w/cr: 0.00 *LNC w/no cr: 0.00 Credits: 3.00
   Clinical: 0.00 Practicum: 12.00 Independent Study: 0.00

3. Semester to be Implemented: Fall, 2008
   Day ☑ Extended Day ☐ Grade type: Regular

4. Cost Code: Lab Fee: 10 Additional Fees: $0.00
   Potential WLF: 0.00

Explanation of Fees: A lab fee for $10 per student per semester is sought to cover the cost of expendibles (recording tapes, copies, and equipment repair) incurred by these students in the performance of their duties.

5. Is this course designed for a specific group? No Who?

6. Catalog Description: ☐ Now in Print, or ☑ Proposed Below:

   Practicum Experience on the campus newspaper: 4-12 hours per week, earning 1-3 credits (4 hours per week per credit). This course is required for students who want to begin working on the student newspaper, the Dixie Sun, as writers, reporters, photographers, editors, directors, or student managers. The course provides hands-on experience in most facets of producing a weekly newspaper including writing, layout, photography, and advertising, plus discussions of journalism and newspaper principles and holding staff meetings. Students may be required to work some evenings in production. This course is intended for general students, and it is not necessary to be a Communication major to take this elective course. The course may be repeated for credit, with instructor approval, to facilitate on-going participation on the newspaper staff.

7. Course justification (attach sheets if needed):

   This is a course title change, as well as a change in the course description and a request for a lab fee. It effectively replaces the former beginning newspaper production course, Comm 1210, which is being dropped. We believe that a sophomore-level course is more appropriate, since other institutions have a similar arrangement, and the course is intended for students who have been in school for a while and have shown that they can be responsible in completing their academic work and fulfilling extra-curricular responsibilities. The course will function as a practicum experience on a 4-to-1 ratio of hours per week required for each credit sought.

8. Are library resources adequate to support this change? Yes If not, how are those resources to be acquired?

9. Are technical and other resources available? Yes If not, how are those resources to be acquired?

10. Relationship to the curriculum: Would the course fill a G.E. requirement? No If yes, which G.E. area? If it does not fill a G.E. requirement, would the course offer elective credit? Yes

11. Transferability of the course: List comparable courses at other colleges and universities:

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Approval Signatures:

Dean: [Signature] Date: 3-20-09

Academic VP: _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ Date: _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _