

# Academic Programs Committee of Council

# **University Course Challenge**

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### **Approval:**

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#### Next scheduled posting:

University Course Challenge is now being posted once a month, on a regular schedule. The next scheduled Challenge document posting will be in September, 2011.

| College Submission Deadline | UCC Posting Date | Date of effective approval if no |
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|                             |                  | challenge received:              |
| September 13                | September 16     | September 30                     |

Urgent items can still be posted on request.

# **College of Arts & Science**

# Item for Information: Mathematics & Statistics

#### **Prerequisite Change:**

PHYS 115.3 Physics and the Universe

Old Prerequisite: Physics 30, Mathematics B30 and C30 (Algebra 30 and Geometry-Trigonometry 30). New Prerequisite: Physics 30 and (Mathematics B30 and C30; or Foundations of Mathematics 30; or Pre-Calculus 30)

Rationale: This reflects changes to high school mathematics courses across Western Canada, which are being phased in starting in 2010-11. The prerequisite change for PHYS 115 was missed when new high school mathematics prerequisites for other first-year courses were approved in the <u>May, 2011 Challenge</u>. Due to the importance of informing high school students about prerequisite courses as quickly as

possible, and with the endorsement of the departments which use this Physics course in their programs, it was agreed to implement this prerequisite change and to circulate it for information only.

# Western College of Veterinary Medicine

## New courses

These two courses will be offered to students in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Year of the DVM program as electives.

## Interdepartmental

## VINT 441.1 Communications Elective

This 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Elective is designed to build from the basic communication skills taught in Year 1 of the DVM Program and allow opportunity for students to practice and refine their skills using simulated clients in a controlled environment. Particular emphasis will be placed on dealing with euthanasia, disclosing medical errors, conflict resolution and other common scenarios in which communication skills are essential.

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## Large Animal Clinical Sciences VLAC 453.2 Dairy Industry

This elective course is designed to expand the student's knowledge of the dairy industry by building onto previously taught core courses such as VLAC 310 and VLAC 482. Specifically, the structure, organization and economics of the dairy industry will be covered in greater detail alongside animal management and dairy animal health and welfare. The Course is directed at students who are considering a career associated with the dairy industry.

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