



## Academic Programs Committee of Council

### University Course Challenge

**Scheduled posting: June, 2018**

The following types of curricular and program changes are approved by the University Course Challenge -- additions and deletions of courses, lower levels of study and program options; straightforward program changes; and curricular changes which affect other colleges.

**Contents include submissions for information and approval from the following colleges:**

College of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies

**Approval:**      Date of circulation: June 14, 2018  
                            Date of effective approval if no challenge received: June 29, 2018

**Next scheduled posting:**

The next scheduled posting will be August 16, 2018, with a submission deadline of **August 14, 2018**. Urgent items can be posted on request.

Please direct challenges to both of the following: [seanine.warrington@usask.ca](mailto:seanine.warrington@usask.ca) in Registrarial Services and [amanda.storey@usask.ca](mailto:amanda.storey@usask.ca) in the Office of the University Secretary.

## **College of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, June 2018 University Course Challenge Proposal**

The following was approved by the College of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies and is now being submitted to University Course Challenge for approval:

### **New Course Proposal:**

#### **SLSC 805.1: Telling Soil Science Stories**

Scientists are professional writers. The stories we tell are based on hypotheses, facts and conjectures, but are stories none the less. The structure and style can differ depending on the purpose of the story, be it a proposal, a manuscript or a review paper, but they all involve weaving together evidence to present a coherent narrative. The purpose of this course is to introduce aspects of structure and style that contribute to effective story-telling and to practice scientific writing.

Instructor: J. Diane Knight, Ph.D.

Prerequisite: Completion of at least one year of a graduate program in Soil Science

Approved by CGPS June 11, 2018

### **New Co-operative Option in Economics:**

#### **New Course Proposal:**

#### **ECON 987.0: Co-op Internship**

Paid co-op internship with government and private organizations. The application of economic theory and statistical tools to research questions. Designed to provide students with an experiential learning opportunity to complement rigorous training in the coursework. After each co-op placement, students are required to submit a written report outlining research work done during the placement.

Instructor: Maxym Chaban, Ph.D.

Prerequisites: GPS 960.0, and a minimum of 15 credit units toward the M.A. in Economics including ECON 800.3, ECON 801.3, ECON 808.3

Note: Students may complete up to 3 co-op terms

**The Catalogue will be adjusted as follows:**

### **Master of Arts (M.A.)**

#### **Admission Requirements**

- a four-year honours degree, or equivalent, from a recognized college or university in an academic discipline relevant to the proposed field of study
- a minimum 70% average (U of S grade system equivalent) in the last two years of study (e.g. 60 credit units) including courses in Advanced Micro and Macro Economic Theory, Econometrics, and Mathematical Economics
- Language Proficiency Requirements: Proof of English proficiency may be required for international applicants and for applicants whose first language is not English. See the College of Graduate Studies and Research Academic Information and Policies in this Catalogue for more information
- Graduate Record Examination (GRE): Submission of the GRE is recommended for all applicants. Applicants who have not earned a degree from Canada or the USA are required to submit a GRE.

#### **Degree Requirements**

Students must maintain continuous registration in the 992 or 994 course.

- GPS 960.0
- GPS 961.0 if research involves human subjects
- GPS 962.0 if research involves animal subjects
- a minimum of 15 credit units, including:
  - ECON 800.3
  - ECON 801.3
  - ECON 808.3
- Either a project, or a thesis, as follows:
- Project: ECON 990.0, ECON 992.0, and 9 additional credit units

### **Co-operative Option in Economics**

- **ECON 987.0: Co-op Internship**

The Co-operative Option in Economics is open to students in both the thesis- and project-based Master of Arts in Economics programs. Students are eligible for a co-op placement following successful completion of the coursework requirements. Placements are be 4 months (1 term) in duration, and a student may complete up to three co-op placements.

Approved by CGPS May 16, 2018