

Spring 2021 Special Topic Courses

BUS-180-MM01 Introduction to Business Analytics (3 credits)

An introduction to the field of Business Analytics using Microsoft Excel and Access. Emphasis is placed on practical applications, understanding data, and decision making. Topics covered include data analysis, decision strategies, forecasting, data management, visualization, and working with external databases. Both theory and application are stressed.

BUS-280-MM01 Social Entrepreneurship (3 credits)

Combining the tools of philanthropy, business, and advocacy (or mission, margin and mandate), social entrepreneurs have tackled long-standing societal issues like teacher training, college access, global public health, renewable energy and sanitation, among others. The purpose of this course is to provide students with the theoretical underpinnings credited with the rise of the social business movement in the U.S. and abroad. Upon which, the course will then explore how the business components (marketing, finance, strategy, leadership development, human resources, and others) of these organizations are intended to inform and drive the mission. Also in this time, we will explore of the various types of social enterprises (both for-profit and not-for profit) that have changed the world. Ultimately, students will work collaboratively to outline an organization intended to address a social issue in our community. Prerequisite: BUS-250.

BUS-280-MM02 Moral Capitalism (3 credits)

This course explores the economic system of capitalism and its political, ethical, and cultural impacts on society. It traces capitalism's historical evolution into today's economic system and contrasts this economic system with other systems in the world. Insights from Catholic and Franciscan Intellectual Traditions provide a lens to view capitalism's moral, social, and ethical responsibilities to address current economic issues. The course includes a leadership lab which will host 12 leaders per semester who will provide insight related to course objectives.

ENG-280-MM01 Survey of American Literature (3 credits)

What and/or who is "American"? How do earlier voices continue to influence current events? This class will interweave past and present as we survey American literature from its Indigenous origins to its dynamic contemporary expressions. Along the way, we will study written, spoken, *and* material texts, thoughtfully considering how each voice shapes our understanding of American identity and literary history. Reading responses, presentations, papers, and exams will determine final grades.

ESS-280-MM01 Introduction to Research and Scientific Literacy (3 credits)

The ability to identify and synthesize relevant literature into active rhetorical discourse is a critical aptitude in any field. In this course, students will develop their skills in identifying, curating, and synthesizing scientific literature into a persuasive research argument. Students will learn to use literature databases, research management software, collaborative project management, and produce a focused, polished written work rooted in relevant scientific literature.

FIN-480-MM01 Advanced Investments (3 credits)

This course presents an overview of the concepts and techniques used to value investments and manage investment portfolios. By the end of this course, the student should be able to (1) assess value for a wide range of potential investments, (2) understand and interpret major portfolio management and risk concepts, (3) construct basic portfolio and risk models, and (4) apply portfolio management and risk

management concepts/techniques to their specific business problems. Through the study of valuation, portfolio construction, and risk measurement/management techniques, the student should also gain a better understanding of what drives risk and return in the financial system. Prerequisite: FIN-360

HON-380-MM01 The Classical World: Long Memories of Greece and Rome (3 credits)

A study of the history and art of Greece and Rome through memory (myth and literature), the imagination (gods, space, and the city), and time (the calendar, identity, and their long reach).

LAT-280-MM01 Extended Readings in Latin (3 credits)

This course provides participants with opportunities to advance in Latin reading proficiency, using texts selected according to students' requests and interests. This course can apply towards the Classics minor.

PHL-380-MM01 Ethics from the Heart (3 credits)

As we go about deciding what to do in the face of a morally difficult situation, what do we do with emotions like moral outrage, disgust, or distress? This course will explore means of integrating emotion and reason into ethical decision-making and formation of character. This course can be substituted as an elective for the gender studies minor.

PHY-380-MM01 Linear Circuit Analysis (3 credits)

This course studies circuits involving: Volt-ampere characteristics for circuit elements; independent and dependent sources; Kirchhoff's laws and circuit equations. Source transformations; Thevenin's and Norton's theorems; superposition. Transient response of resistor capacitor (RC), resistor inductor (RL), and resistor inductor capacitor (RLC) circuits; sinusoidal steady-state and impedance. Instantaneous and average power.

PHY-380-MM02 Linear Circuit Analysis Lab (1 credit)

PHY-380 Lab. This course must be taken with PHY-380-MM01.

PSY-380/GST 380-MM01 Identity and Displacement (3 credits)

This course is designed to provide insight into gender and identity as they relate to refugee status by surveying research and refugee narratives. Issues covered will include gender-based violence (GBV), gender role, and gender stereotype of the refugee. Emphasis is placed on the ecological systems framework that influences the perpetuation of violence and the stigma and consequences associated with GBV. Students are expected to complete written assignments that require critical thinking skills related to the topics covered in the course.

SPA-280-MM01 Spanish Pastoral Ministry (3 credits)

Spanish for Pastoral Ministry is for students who need to develop their language skills for liturgical celebrations, preaching, general ministry to those in need of pastoral care, and other facets of pastoral ministry. The course builds up students' language skills at the intermediate level by adding Spanish vocabulary specific to their Catholic faith by recognizing, preparing, applying, and practicing the terminology of sacramental rites, the Roman Missal propers, Scriptures (Gospels), the Catechism, routine prayers (with an emphasis on the rosary), and Catholic literature (John of the Cross and others). In addition, in this course students will assemble and explain some of the Catholic Pastoral documents on Hispanic Ministry to meet the needs of an expanding, diversified ecclesial landscape.