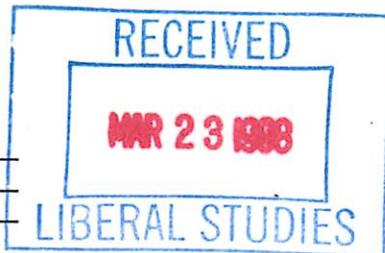


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II. PROPOSAL TYPE (Check All Appropriate Lines)

COURSE _____
Suggested 20 character title
 New Course* _____
Course Number and Full Title
 Course Revision _____
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 Course Deletion _____
Course Number and Full Title
 Number and/or Title Change _____
Old Number and/or Full Old Title
New Number and/or Full New Title

Course or Catalog Description Change GE 341 Climatology
Course Number and Full Title

PROGRAM: _____ Major _____ Minor _____ Track
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III. Approvals (signatures and date)

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Part II. Description of Curriculum Change

1) New Catalog Description

GE 341 Climatology

3c-01-3sh

Examines the elements of weather and climate on Earth. The location and causes of global climatic regions are examined in relation to moving pressure and wind systems. The course also considers the climatic history of the planet and recent human modifications of the atmospheric environment.

2) Changing the Catalog description for GE 341 Climatology

Old Catalog Description:

GE 341 Climatology

3c-01-3sh

Elements of weather and climate and the climatic regions of the earth are studied in relation to other aspects of the physical and biological environment.

New Catalog Description:

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3) Justification

This course is becoming a dual level course and as part of that revision the instructor has decided to update the description. The existing course description is too simplistic and vaguely written, and seems to treat climatology as a descriptive subject rather than one that examines the causes of Earth's climates. Modern climatology also considers human impacts on the climate system, such as human-induced global warming and ozone depletion.