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Curriculum Proposal Cover Sheet - University-Wide Undergraduate Curriculum Committee					
Contact Person	1.00	Email Address			
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English / Theater and Dance					
Check all appropriate lines and complete information as requested. Use a separate cover sheet for each course proposal and for each program proposal.					
1. Course Proposals (check all that apply) New CourseCourse	Prefix Change	Course Deletion			
Course RevisionCourse	Number and/or Title Change	x_Catalog Description Change			
THTR 347 Playwriting		THTR 347/ENGL 347 Playwriting ENGL 347/THTR 347 Playwriting			
	<u>Proposed</u> course prefix,	number and full title, if changing			
2. Additional Course Designations: check if appropriate This course is also proposed as a Liberal Studies Course. This course is also proposed as an Honors College Course. Pan-African					
3. Program Proposals New Degree Program F	atalog Description Change rogram Title Change	Program RevisionX Other			
New Minor ProgramN	lew Track	Crosslisting course			
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4. Approvals	//	Date			
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Additional signatures as appropriate:					
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* where applicable

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Part II. Description of the Curriculum Change

1. A complete catalog description including the course name, class and lab hour designation*, number of credits, the prerequisites, and the new course description.

New Catalog Description

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2. Justification/rationale for the revision.

Many English majors and minors express an interest in playwriting—indeed, quite a few of our majors choose to double major in English and Theatre specifically so they can learn the craft. However, this is not an option that is viable for all. Additionally, the new English BA major allows for English majors to declare a "track" in Writing, including creative writing. For those emphasizing creative writing, there is no course available to them in English that would allow them to learn the craft of writing plays while forwarding their studies in the English major, despite the fact that dramatic literature is one of the major genres of English literature (and is thus featured in general education, major survey, and genre courses in English).

However, despite these significant links to English, writing plays is a craft with a specific history in and a deep relationship to the craft of theatre more generally. Thus, the course will continue to be taught only by Theatre faculty and will retain the existing course prerequisites.

Part III. Letters of Support or Acknowledgement

Attach letters from interested or affected departments/programs. (See page 3 for guidelines.)

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Sincerely

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February 18, 2010

MEMO

TO: University Wide Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

FROM: Brian Jones, Chair, Department of Theater and Dance

SUBJ: Crosslisting of THTR 347, Playwriting with English

The Department of Theater and Dance supports the request by the Department of English for crosslisting THTR 347, Playwriting as ENGL 347 as well. We believe this will benefit both programs, and contribute to interdisciplinarity on campus.