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MEMO TO: Jacquie Johnson, Chair, Executive Committee  
FROM: Cheryl Contant, Chair, Curriculum Committee  
SUBJECT: Items approved by the Curriculum Committee

Below are items approved by the Curriculum Committee, which we request be placed on the agenda for the April 7, 2009 meeting of the Campus Assembly. These are action items for which detailed information is attached and available online at

<[http://www.morris.umn.edu/committees/Curriculum/Assembly\\_04\\_07\\_09.html](http://www.morris.umn.edu/committees/Curriculum/Assembly_04_07_09.html)>.

A summary of the votes cast by members of the Curriculum Committee (12 voting, 4 non-voting) is presented below:

Course/Form and Action	Meeting Date	Vote (For-Against-Abstentions)
<b>DIVISION OF THE HUMANITIES</b>		
<b>English Course Changes:</b> <i>Reactivating Courses</i> <b>Engl 2421</b> —Understanding Moby-Dick (Hum; 4 cr) Rationale: Instructor availability and student interest. <b>Engl 3153</b> —Gothic Literature (Hum; 4 cr) Rationale: Faculty leave and staffing changes.	Mar. 4	(9-0-0)
<b>DIVISION OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS</b>		
<b>Chemistry Changes:</b> <b>Chem 1001</b> —Chemistry for the Curious Citizen: The Role of Chemistry in the Environment and Everyday Life (Sci-L; 4 cr) Rationale: Revival and alteration of a summer session course. <b>Chemistry Major (B.A.)</b> Rationale: Incorporates course changes approved last year.	Mar. 25	(9-0-0)
<b>Computer Science Course Change:</b> <b>CSci 4458</b> —Systems: Bioinformatic Systems (M/SR; 4 cr) Rationale: New course currently taught with provisional approval.	Mar. 25	(9-0-0)

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<p><b>Environmental Science Course Changes:</b></p> <p><b>ESci 1131</b>—Renewable Energy With Biomass Gasification (Sci-L; 3 cr) Rationale: New course provisionally approved for May term.</p> <p><b>ESci 3111</b>—Evolution of the Minnesota Prairie (Sci-L; 4 cr) Rationale: New course for Environmental Science program.</p>	Mar. 25	(9-0-0)
<p><b>Geology Course Change:</b></p> <p><b>Geol 3006</b>—X-ray Diffraction Techniques for the Identification of Clay Minerals in Geologic Environments (2 cr) Rationale: New course on use of x-ray diffraction equipment obtained by NSF grant.</p>	Mar. 25	(10-0-0)
<b>DIVISION OF THE SOCIAL SCIENCES</b>		
<p><b>Sociology Changes:</b></p> <p><i>New Courses</i></p> <p><b>Soc 3103</b>—Research Methodology in Sociology (SS; 4 cr) Rationale: Replaces and combines 3101 and 3102 below.</p> <p><b>Soc 3112</b>—Sociology of the Environment and Social Development (Envt; 4 cr) Rationale: Designed to meet partial requirements for the Gender, Women, and Sexuality Studies major and the Environmental Studies major.</p> <p><b>Soc 3123</b>—Sociology of Aging (HDiv; 4 cr) Rationale: Soc 3101 and Soc 3102 were collapsed into one course, 3103, freeing up the faculty member to offer a new elective.</p> <p><b>Soc 3403</b>—Sociological Theory (SS; 4 cr) Rationale: Replaces and combines 3401 and 3402 below.</p> <p><i>Multiple Course Form</i></p> <p><b>Soc 3101</b>—Qualitative Research Methodology (4 cr) Rationale: Inactivated. See rationale for 3103.</p> <p><b>Soc 3102</b>—Quantitative Research Methodology (4 cr) Rationale: Inactivated. See rationale for 3103.</p> <p><b>Soc 3401</b>—Classical Sociological Theory (SS; 4 cr) Rationale: Inactivated. See rationale for 3403.</p> <p><b>Soc 3402</b>—Contemporary Sociological Theory (SS; 4 cr) Rationale: Inactivated. See rationale for 3403.</p> <p><b>Soc 3121</b>—Sociology of Gender (HDiv; 4 cr) Rationale: Name change.</p>	Mar. 4	(9-0-0)

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<b>Sociology Major (B.A.)</b> Rationale: Incorporates Sociology course changes above.	Mar. 25	(10-0-0)
<b>Sociology Minor</b> Rationale: Incorporates Sociology course changes above.	Mar. 25	(10-0-0)
<b>Gender, Women, and Sexuality Studies Changes:</b>  <b>Gender, Women, and Sexuality Studies Major (B.A.)</b> Rationale: Incorporates Sociology course changes above.  <b>Gender, Women, and Sexuality Studies Minor</b> Rationale: Incorporates Sociology course changes above.	Mar. 25   Mar. 25	(10-0-0)   (10-0-0)
<b>ADJUNCT COMMITTEE PROPOSAL</b>		
<b>Proposal to Eliminate the Teacher Education Adjunct Committee of the Curriculum Committee (effective fall 2009)</b>  Rationale: This adjunct committee of the Curriculum Committee has been replaced over time by a broader advisory council acceptable to teacher education licensing and accrediting agencies.	Mar. 25	(10-0-0)