Faculty Senate Action Item

No. 11-03

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES NEW COURSE REVIEW FORM

	Chair's Signature	Recommendation	Review Date
Department			
Division			
Dept. of Educ.			
(If course relates to teach	ner certification program.)		
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Curriculum Committe	ee		_
Accepted By CFC			

Part I General Information

1. Exact proposed catalog description (including course number, title, and credits, prerequisites)

IS 351 Community Service Transformational Experience III - Leading (1 credit) (Pre-requisite IS 250 and IS350 or consent of faculty)

Students enrolling in this course will complete 50 hours of community service with an approved organization or agency and will meet regularly to reflect on their service. Leadership, in most cases, is not something one learns or even prepares for--more often it sneaks up on you. One day you find yourself in charge, creating the experience of others, for better or worse. You look up one day and you are a teacher, a coach, a program director. You may have stepped up because of an event in your community, organized a group in response to that issue and now you are in charge. What do you do? How do you lead? (Davis & Lynn, 2006). The readings in this section do not answer these questions, but rather through discussion may help ease the burden and improve the leadership experience.

2. Rationale for offering this course.

In the past the Community Service TE was co-curricular in design offering no credit because it was a University requirement. The Washburn Transformational Experience has recently been identified as an elective for students. Students will now choose to complete one of the four WTEs if they so desire. By offering the Community Service TE for credit, the student is allowed to use the experience as elective credit toward graduation. The rationale for offering three courses at one credit each is based on the literature regarding the impact of service and reflection. Recent work in the field shows that the longer students are involved in service and reflection the greater the long term involvement they demonstrate in the community. This is represented by students' involvement in volunteering, public service and activity in the political process. Therefore having students complete the 150 hours of required service for the WTE over three semesters is in line with the expected outcome of long term commitment

to the community.
3. Does this represent an added course to your curriculum?
a. No Which course(s) is it replacing?
b. Yes How is the cost to be underwritten? This would be a new course for the Interdisciplinary Studies program although the actual course design has been used for the Community Service TE since its inception. There is no increase in cost to the University since the course will be taught by the staff in the LinC office.
4. What will be the extent and nature of the reading required for this course?
Required readings for this course will be selected from a collection of essays designed specifically for reflection of community service related to the role leadership has in service to others.
Part II Content Considerations
5. Describe the writing component of the proposed course both qualitatively and quantitatively.
Writing assignments for this course will include weekly journal writing guided by questions raised from the essays and discussion as they relate to the student's service experience. In addition to the weekly writing assignments the student will be required to write a final essay about the service experience, and complete a public presentation of what each student learned about the community and him/herself from the interaction with the members of the community.
6. Will this course be proposed as a General Education course? Yes □ No □
If yes, please indicate the General Education goals to be served by this course?
7. How will student performance be assessed?
All students enrolled will complete a pre-service survey at the beginning of IS 250. The students will complete a post-service survey upon completion of the 150 hours of service. Both surveys are available on the web through My Washburn. These surveys measure the students' attitudes in the six common commitments of service (social justice, community building, civic engagement, diversity, international perspective, and personal development). In addition all students completing the 150 hours of service will present his/her learning in a public forum.
8. Does the Department consider the proposed course will primarily attract: Department's majors Non-majors Department majors and majors from specific other departments?

Which departments?			
Part III Financial/Resource Considerations			
9. Has the Department proposing the course addition reviewed the University Catalog and determined that the proposed course does not duplicate in title or content existing courses? Yes No			
10. How often does the Department anticipate the proposed course will be offered? ☐ Every semester ☐ Every other semester ☐ Every three semesters ☐ Irregularly			
11. Has the proposed course been offered as a special topic? Yes □ No □			
If yes, when was it offered? Enrollment			
12. Are current library holdings adequate? Yes			
Signature of Librarian			
13. Do you currently have the equipment and facilities (including sufficient WWW access, computer software, hardware) to teach this class?			
YES			
14. If the answer to #12 is "no," what additional equipment and/or facilities will be needed? (Be specific as regards any technology needs in the way of WWW access, and computer software or hardware.)			
15. What status will the proposed course have within the Department's overall curriculum? ☐ Elective ☐ Required			
16. Will new faculty, either full or part-time, be needed to teach this class?			
NO			
17. Will the addition of this course in any way alter the program leading to teacher certification?			
NO			