New Course Proposal
Suggested Resource and Support

- For assistance with process, procedure, see OSAS Director/Manager
- For assistance with alignment with academic plans see your UPD/Chair or AD Learning, Teaching, and Academic Programs
- For assistance with course design see the Moodle course “Health Curriculum Toolkit” at https://moodle.yorku.ca/moodle/course/view.php?id=148738 (requires passport York username and password to access).
- For assistance with course design, teaching and learning activities please contact either of the following:
  - Yasaman Delaviz, Faculty of Health’s Educational/Curricular Developer Specialist by email at ydelaviz@yorku.ca or by phone at ext. 44086
  - Lisa Endersby, Educational Developer, by email at lendersb@yorku.ca or by phone at ext. 33047.
- For assistance with designing and developing experiential education activities see either one of the EE Coordinators Anda Petro or Paola Calderon-Valdivia (eehealth@yorku.ca)
- For assistance with technology-enhanced learning in the course, please contact the Faculty of Health e-learning specialist Sairam Chinnam at Learning Technology Services (schinnam@yorku.ca).
- For assistance with integrating Indigenous content into your course, please contact the Indigenous Council (ruthkg@yorku.ca & shillier@yorku.ca).
- For assistance with determining responses to questions about resources, please contact the Operations Manager in the school/department offering the course.
- For assistance with determining resources for students see the Library and Learning Commons resources:
  - SPARK (Student Papers & Academic Research Kit)
  - LinkedIn Learning
  - Academic Research & Resources

Approval Process
- The Faculty of Health Curriculum Committee will only consider new course proposals that have been approved by the unit responsible for offering the course.
- If the proposed course is to be cross-listed, integrated, listed as a course credit exclusion with another course, or listed as a major/minor course option in an interdisciplinary program, the proposal must be accompanied by a statement from the collaborating unit signaling agreement to the proposal.

Checklist of activities to be completed:

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New Course Proposal Form

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**Course Title:** The official name of the course as it will appear in the Undergraduate Calendar.

**Short Title:** Maximum 40 characters, including punctuation and spaces. The short title appears on any documents where space is limited (transcripts and calendar copy).

**Brief Course Description:** For editorial consistency, verbs should be in the present tense and begin the description; e.g., “Analyzes the nature and extent of...,”

This is the official description of the course as it will appear in the Undergraduate Calendar. The course description should be carefully written to convey what the course is about. If applicable, include information regarding the language of instruction if other than English.

**List course(s) where applicable:**

- **Prerequisites:**
- **Corequisites:**
- **Cross-listed to:**
- **Course Credit Exclusions***:
- **Integration****:

*Course credit exclusion is a formal status accorded to pairs of courses that are recognized as having sufficient overlap in content to warrant specifically excluding students from obtaining credit for both.*

**Integrated courses are graduate courses integrated (taught with) 4000-level undergraduate courses

Include the following information only if the course is: limited to a specific group of students; closed to a specific group of students; and if there is any additional information necessary for students to know before enrolling (notes section). If the course includes experiential education, such as whether the students will work with a community partner and/or if it will involve going off-campus, please include this in the notes section.

- **Open to:**
- **Not open to:**
- **Notes:**

**Science Course:**

[YES] [NO]

Denotes courses in IHST, KINE or PSYC to count as science credit for BSc degree programs
Section A - Course Rationale:

1. What is the rationale for creating this course (e.g., fills a gap in the curriculum, addresses a trend in the content area)?

2. Describe how this new course aligns with the School/Dept and/or Faculty and/or University Academic Plans. For more information about these plans, contact your UPD, Department Chair, and/or the Associate Dean, Learning, Teaching, & Academic Programs.

3. How does this proposed course complement, align, or overlap with existing course offerings, particularly in terms of objectives and/or content? If overlap exists, please indicate the nature and extent of consultation which has taken place. If the course is to be cross-listed, integrated or listed as a course credit exclusion with another course, approval is required from all the relevant Faculties/Units.

4. What is the expected enrolment in the course?

Section B - Course Structure:

1. Is this course (Please select one with “X”):

| Fully online | | |
| --- | --- | |
| Fully face to face | | |
| Blended (i.e., one third of the class time is replaced by online instruction, one third of the class time remains face to face, and the remaining third may be any combination of online and face to face delivery). More information about defining blended learning can be found in the Common Language for eLearning: [http://avptl.info.yorku.ca/files/2017/03/2014-03-26-Common-Language-for-eLearning.pdf](http://avptl.info.yorku.ca/files/2017/03/2014-03-26-Common-Language-for-eLearning.pdf) | | |
| Other (please describe): | | |

2. Number of contact hours (defined in terms of hours, weeks, etc.) involved. This information is particularly important to describe for blended and online courses as it indicates whether an effective length of term is being maintained.
3. a) If this course is offered in a blended format, what percentage of the course will be taught online? If not blended, go to # 4.

   b) In absence of scheduled contact hours (face-to-face or online), please provide an indication of the estimated time students are likely to spend engaged in learning activities online required by the course.

   c) In the absence of scheduled contact hours (face-to-face or online), please describe how the course design encourages student engagement and supports students in achieving the learning outcomes.

4. Indicate the planned frequency of offering and number of sections anticipated (every year, alternate years, etc.)

5. Can you staff this course using current teaching capacity?

   YES  NO

   If no, explain how this course will be resourced (e.g., additional hires proposed in hiring plan, etc.)

6. Please name the faculty member(s) in the school/dept who have the expertise and are willing to teach this course.

7. Does the course rely on faculty from other programs to teach this course? If so, specify (proposed instructor(s)) name and department and attach a letter of support from the faculty member’s home school/department UPD/Chair.
Section C - Course Design Information:

This section provides an opportunity to describe the course, its design, and how delivery of the course content aligns with the learning outcomes, teaching activities, and assessment methods. There is also an opportunity for describing how the course applies principles of experiential education, technology enhanced learning and universal design for learning.

- **Experiential Education** remains a top priority for York University and the Faculty of Health as it offers a range of benefits for students related to academic performance, civic engagement and employability. Note that providing and facilitating opportunities for structured, critical reflection (e.g. using iclicker/REEF polling, exit cards, journal entry) is a key component of experiential education. Course directors are invited to integrate EE into their course where possible, but it is understood that some EE activities may not be feasible in every course. Go to [https://health.yorku.ca/experiential-education/faculty/](https://health.yorku.ca/experiential-education/faculty/) to see definitions of course focused, community focused, and work focused EE, information on the benefits of EE for students and course directors, and other details.

- The integration of tools and strategies for **technology enhanced learning** (e.g. online learning management system like Moodle, use of polling technology such as iclicker/REEF and other in class technology e.g., see [https://student.computing.yorku.ca/technology-used-in-courses/](https://student.computing.yorku.ca/technology-used-in-courses/) ) may provide useful tools for encouraging in class engagement and facilitating deeper learning. For help with online and blended learning course development go to [https://lts.info.yorku.ca/health/](https://lts.info.yorku.ca/health/).

- The Faculty of Health is committed to the **universal design for learning** principles, i.e., offering and ensuring a diverse array of opportunities for all learners to engage, learn, and demonstrate their knowledge. More information about Universal Design for Learning, as well as recommendations for accommodations and inclusive teaching, can be found at: [http://udlguidelines.cast.org/binaries/content/assets/udlguidelines/udlg-v2-2/udlg_graphicorganizer_v2-2_numbers-no.pdf](http://udlguidelines.cast.org/binaries/content/assets/udlguidelines/udlg-v2-2/udlg_graphicorganizer_v2-2_numbers-no.pdf) and on the Teaching Commons website. Therefore, when designing a course, be sure to consider
  - multiple means of engagement (How will diverse students access and participate in the learning & teaching activities?)
  - multiple means of representation (How will course content be presented in a variety of different ways to support different learning needs and preferences?)
  - multiple means of action & expression (What diverse ways will students be able to demonstrate their learning?)

1. **Course Topics/Theories**

List the key topic areas taught in this course.
Will the course have substantial Indigenous (Aboriginal)* content?

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Will the course include Indigenous (Aboriginal)* identity as either a module or field of study?

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Will the course include component(s) from Aboriginal Peoples’ language, history, cultural, heritage, artefacts, or traditional knowledge?

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If you answered Yes to at least one of the questions above, provide a summary and/or list of the Indigenous (Aboriginal)* content or components you are proposing to include in your course in the box below.

*The Constitution Act, 1982, section 35(2) defines Aboriginal Peoples to include all Indigenous people of Canada – Indians (Status, Non-Status or First Nations identified), Métis and Inuit people.

2. Course Teaching Objectives

Course teaching objectives are broad goals for the course.

Examples of course teaching objectives:
- Exposes students to the various methods used for investigating the structure and function of the human brain.
- Provides students the opportunity to develop and practice skills in effective communication.

List the teaching objectives for the course below:

3. Course Student Learning Outcomes:

Learning outcomes provide a framework for assessment by stating what the learners will be able to demonstrate after completing the course. A succinct learning outcome specifies the tasks students are expected to be able to perform and the level of competence expected for the tasks. Course Learning Outcomes are observable, measurable goals for students and their learning.

Examples of course learning outcomes:
- Students will be able to correctly identify the brain’s major components and gross functional areas.
- Students will be able to accurately describe the factors that impact healthy aging.
- Students will be able to critically analyze an academic journal article to determine the merits and drawbacks of the published research.

To help describe learning outcomes, consider the key questions below:

What essential knowledge, skills, and attitudes etc. should students acquire?
- How sophisticated or complex (memorization, analysis, creation, etc.) is students learning to be?
- What will students be able to do or how will they demonstrate/articulate their level of learning?
- What information is needed to be collected to verify/demonstrate students’ attainment of learning outcomes?
- How informative are each of these assessment tasks to understanding the student learning process?
- Are these clearly stated and communicated to students?

More information and additional resources can be found on the [Teaching Commons website](#).

List and number the learning outcomes for the course in the section below:

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4. **Course Teaching Strategies and Learning Activities**

What teaching strategies and learning activities (including experiential education) will take place as part of this course? What will students be doing each week in class? How will these activities help support students’ learning as defined by the learning outcomes.

To help identify course learning activities that will help students work toward achieving intended learning outcomes, reflect on these key questions:

- How will students receive or gain the information necessary for achieving the course intended learning outcomes?
- What experiential education activities will students engage in?
- What opportunities will or could students be provided to practice the skills they will develop?
- How and when will students engage with each other, with the instructor, and/or with course content?
- If technology-enhanced learning is incorporated into the course, what activities will the students engage in?

Examples:
(This is not an exhaustive list, but rather a summary of the strategies an instructor may use to encourage and facilitate meaningful learning throughout the course)

- In class discussions
- Lecture
- Online discussion forums (e.g. in Moodle)
- Active learning strategies (e.g. think, pair, share; structured debates)
- Wikis (contribute to and curate collaborative content)
- Experiential Education (EE)- Classroom Focused Activities (e.g. guest speakers, role playing, visual media, case studies, simulations, workshops and laboratory, course-based research, etc.)
- EE- Community Focused EE Activities (e.g. community-based learning; community-based research, community service learning)

List the teaching strategies and learning activities that will be included in this course:
# Section D - Course Mapping and Constructive Alignment

This section is designed to help you demonstrate the connections between your student learning outcomes, teaching and learning activities, and assessment strategies. For each teaching and learning activity, please i) identify the learning outcome it will help the students achieve and ii) if the activity will include a formal, graded assessment of student learning. For EE activities, also identify iii) how you will engage students in reflection around the activity (i.e. critically examining the experience), and iv) the type of EE strategy the activity corresponds to.

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<th>How you will engage students in reflection around this activity?</th>
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<td>Example: Identify and critically evaluate challenges to implementing equity-informed health policies OR Learning Outcome #3</td>
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<td>Example: Think-Pair-Share- In pairs, students will discuss two key questions, and share responses with the class.</td>
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1. If the course will not include any type of experiential education, please comment below on the rationale for not incorporating experiential education into the course.

2. Will the course engage Indigenous (Aboriginal) communities (including reserves, territories, departments, or community organizations, etc) on experiential education?

If yes, please comment below on how you will or might engage Indigenous (Aboriginal) communities in experiential education.

## Learning/Teaching with Technology:

3. How are learning or teaching technologies incorporated into the course?
4. If the course does not include any type of technology enhanced learning, please comment below on the rationale for not incorporating learning or teaching technologies in the course.

5. If the proposed course employs technology-enhanced forms of delivery (e.g., replacing in-class time with online learning activities), please identify how the integrity of the learning evaluation will be maintained (e.g., using online quizzes that randomly selects questions from a test-bank; specified time length of the test, "on-site" examinations will be required, etc.)

**Assessment and Evaluation Strategies:**

1. How will student learning be assessed? Please list each graded component of the proposed course including the type and percentage value of each component. Indicate which learning outcome(s) are evaluated by which assessment component.

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<td>Example: In Class Quizzes</td>
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<td>Example: Teaching &amp; Learning Activity #1 (Reflection) (1%)</td>
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2. Formative feedback is just in time feedback to the students during the course that does not always count toward the final grade. This formative feedback can help the students and instructor progress towards the intended learning outcomes by providing ongoing, low stakes feedback at key points in a lesson or at milestones toward completing a major assignment.

Some examples of formative feedback include:

- a) a pre-test or quiz that asks students to share what they already know about a topic
- b) a think-pair-share exercise where students explore and discuss key course concepts individually, in pairs, and as part of a larger in class discussion
- c) exit cards following a lecture or lesson where students are asked to indicate what they have learned and questions they still have about the topic

List the formative assessment strategies that will be used in this course below.
3. If the course is to be integrated (i.e., graduate/undergraduate), please list the additional evaluation requirements for graduate students.

Bibliography:

4. Please list the required readings for the course (include ebooks, online readings, and open access resources). The reading list must contain complete bibliographical information (full name of author, title, year of publication, etc.).

5. Please list any suggested readings for the course (include ebooks, online readings, and open access resources). The reading list must contain complete bibliographical information (full name of author, title, year of publication, etc.)

6. If the course is to be integrated (graduate/undergraduate), a list of the additional readings required of graduate students must be included. If no additional readings are required, a rationale should be provided.

Section E - Resources Requirement:

This section may need to be filled in with the help of your operations manager:

1. Computing:
   • Indicate the expected hardware, software and need for student access to computing labs, including the number of student access hours needed (e.g. access to teaching computer lab with SPSS installed; students required to bring their own device). Provide cost of software, where possible. Indicate, what the cost will be for students, if any?
2. Classroom:
  - Indicate the expected specialized classroom needs (e.g. moveable table and chairs; audio/visual equipment; WIFI to support students with bringing their own device)

3. Teaching Support:

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4. Statements of Support (please attach these to the proposal)

**Learning Technology Services (LTS) Statement:**
If there is a technology-enhanced component to the course, a statement is required from the Learning Technology Services indicating whether resources are adequate to support the course. Requests for statements can directed to Rob Finlayson (rfinlays@yorku.ca). Please note, it will take two weeks to get a statement of support.

**Library Support Statement:**
Proposals for new courses must include a library support statement from the Bibliographer responsible for the relevant discipline to indicate whether resources are adequate to support the course. To request a support statement, see the list of subject and liaison librarians at [http://www.library.yorku.ca/web/about-us/contact-us/liaison-librarians/](http://www.library.yorku.ca/web/about-us/contact-us/liaison-librarians/).