

Rachel Corr

From: William O'Brien
Sent: Tuesday, February 20, 2024 9:24 AM
To: Rachel Corr
Subject: FW: New course (Cell Neuro) update and request

Hi Rachel,

Here's the updated note I sent to the Biology Chair. Thanks.

Bill

From: William O'Brien
Sent: Friday, February 2, 2024 4:50 PM
To: Sarah Milton <smilton@fau.edu>
Subject: New course (Cell Neuro) update and request

Hi Sarah,

It turns out that we're proposing the honors cellular neuroscience course with a unique course number (and not PCB 4842). After consulting with instructor, I learned there will be very little emphasis on the "disease" aspect; therefore it will just be PCB 4XXX Honors Cellular Neuroscience (waiting on the course number).

Would you mind sending me another note saying your department won't be affected by the new course? Our curriculum committee thought it best, to avoid any confusion.

Thanks,

Bill

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FW: PCB 4842 course proposal input

William O'Brien <wobrien@fau.edu>

Fri 2/2/2024 4:13 PM

To: Rachel Corr <rcorr@fau.edu>

Hi Rachel,

Here's my exchange about the Bio Department approving the course. At the time I was expecting to use their catalog's course number before realizing the content would differ. Can we still use this, or should I get a different approval message?

Thanks,

Bill

From: Sarah Milton

Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2024 4:09 PM

To: William O'Brien <wobrien@fau.edu>

Subject: Re: PCB 4842 course proposal input

In that case I approve

Dr. Sarah L. Milton

Professor and Chair

Department of Biological Sciences

FAU

From: William O'Brien <wobrien@fau.edu>

Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2024 2:11 PM

To: Sarah Milton <smilton@fau.edu>

Subject: RE: PCB 4842 course proposal input

No worries at all, Sarah. I don't see any reason we couldn't work that out, and so I don't see it as a problem either.

Thanks,

Bill

From: Sarah Milton

Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2024 11:13 AM

To: William O'Brien <wobrien@fau.edu>

Subject: Re: PCB 4842 course proposal input

Sorry for the delay Bill - I asked for input from my NS faculty, and Tanja Godenschwege commented that she has taught the course a couple of times in Jupiter with honor sections, and honors students made up 50- 75% of the class. If she ever teaches it again in Jupiter, then it would be a problem as she would not be able to get enough students to fill the course. Perhaps there are some years she could teach it while your instructor develops

another course? I don't see it really being a problem; Tanja mostly teaches in Boca now.

Dr. Sarah L. Milton
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FAU

From: William O'Brien <wobrien@fau.edu>
Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2024 7:19 AM
To: Sarah Milton <smilton@fau.edu>
Subject: RE: PCB 4842 course proposal input

Hi Sarah,

Please let me know if you have concerns about this. I'm hoping to get this to UUPC as soon as possible.

Thanks,

Bill

From: William O'Brien
Sent: Thursday, January 4, 2024 8:40 AM
To: Sarah Milton <smilton@fau.edu>
Subject: RE: PCB 4842 course proposal input

Hi Sarah,

I hope you had a relaxing break. Just a friendly reminder about this. Thanks.

Best,

Bill

From: William O'Brien
Sent: Thursday, December 21, 2023 12:16 PM
To: Sarah Milton <smilton@fau.edu>
Subject: Re: PCB 4842 course proposal input

It'll be taught by Casey Spencer, a recent PhD from Rod Murphey's lab. He's been hired with us, starting this spring, as a teaching postdoc and this will be a regular course in his rotation, likely taught once annually (though perhaps less often). It'll serve as an elective for Neuroscience and Biology students in the honors college, although students outside the college may enroll with instructor permission. It is currently on the schedule for spring as BSC 4930, since it is not yet in our catalog under the regular number, and we're trying to reduce the number of special topics courses, particularly among courses that we plan to teach regularly. Please let me know if you need any additional information.

Thanks,

Bill

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From: Sarah Milton <smilton@fau.edu>
Sent: Thursday, December 21, 2023 10:55 AM
To: William O'Brien <wobrien@fau.edu>
Subject: Re: PCB 4842 course proposal input

Hi Bill - can I have some more details? Who is teaching it, who is allowed to take it etc?

Dr. Sarah L. Milton
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From: William O'Brien <wobrien@fau.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, December 20, 2023 9:00 AM
To: Sarah Milton <smilton@fau.edu>
Subject: PCB 4842 course proposal input

Hi Sarah,

The Honors College will be proposing an honors version of PCB 4842, Cellular Neuroscience, and I'm seeking your input about the proposal's impact on your program. Since it is originally taught in Biological Sciences, the course proposal needs a statement from you about whether or how the new course will affect you. Please let me know, and I hope you have a wonderful holiday break.

Best,

Bill

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