

Critical Thinking Course Information



Course Prefix, Number, Title _____ Date: _____

Submitting Department Chair _____
LAST FIRST M.I.

Check all boxes that apply.

- There are no prerequisites outside of the Core. This is a new course. (Also requires approval as a new course.) Effective Date: _____ This is an existing course.

AU Learning Outcomes

- Christian Commitments and Practices Communication Critical Reasoning
 Intercultural Perspectives Cross-disciplinary Perspectives Preparation for Service

Instructions:

A form must be filled out for each course. Departments where multiple sections of an individual course are taught may fill out a single form for all sections if all of the pertinent syllabi are attached. Describe below each criterion how your course meets that requirement. Please be specific, citing both course objectives as well as assignments that meet these criteria. A syllabus must be included with each form.

Criteria: These courses should be developed such that students will:

Continue to mature in their ability to think critically, specifically through the targeted development of the following skills (which provide the driving framework for the syllabus): Defining terms; Practicing civil discourse; Listening, reading and otherwise observing actively; Identifying purpose and intention; Constructing relevant questions and accurate paraphrases; Identifying implied or stated values and assumptions; Identifying and outlining an argument; Evaluating the argument; Constructing an argument that is informed, articulate, logical, fair, civil and imaginative; Moving people to act.

Continue to mature in their oral and written communication skills, including listening, speaking, reading and writing.

Experience being an active, contributing part of a learning community that challenges and encourages members to grow as thinkers and communicators, embracing academic and spiritual discovery.

How does your course fulfill the AU learning outcomes checked on page 1?

Course Approval:
(for Curriculum Committee use)

Course Approved into Core

Date: _____

New Course First Reading

Date: _____

New Course Second Reading

Date: _____