

UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND FACULTY SENATE

September 19, 2013

**Faculty Senate Curricular Affairs Committee
Five Hundred and Seventh Report**

At the May 15, 2013 meeting of the Curricular Affairs Committee and by electronic communication during the summer 2013, the following matters, were considered and are now presented to the Faculty Senate for information.

CHANGE

Add **“Women in Islam”** as a permanent topic in GWS 350 Special Topics in Women's Studies

TEMPORARY COURSES

HIS 177X History of the Modern Middle East (3) Course covers the major social and political issues which have shaped the history of the contemporary Middle East. Topics include the impact of colonialism, nationalism, socialism and Islamic revival movements. (Lec. 3)

HIS 379X The Jews of Islamic Lands: A History (3) This course introduces the Jews of Islamic lands. It examines their social, religious, intellectual and political experiences from the beginning of Islam to 19th-century European colonialism in the Middle East. (Lec. 3)

MUS 100X World Percussion Traditions (2) The study of music traditions that predominantly feature the use of percussion instruments and are beyond the realms of European-based Art Music (Lab. 2)

NFS 245X Food Safety (3) This course covers the scientific principles that underpin food safety, including chemical and biological contamination, and addresses the safety of the food supply, regulatory issues and current food safety issues. (Lec. 3)

ONLINE COURSES

The CAC has approved the following courses for online offering:

FLM 204, History of Film

FLM 205, History of Film II

FLM 351, Topics in Film Media Production

Effective May 15, 2013, the Curricular Affairs Committee no longer requires approval of the syllabus of a new instructor to teach an existing online course. Any instructor designated by the department may teach any course approved for online delivery. The CAC will continue to require approval for converting a face-to-face course to an online course.