SECTION 8- EXPERIMENTAL COURSES

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8.1 DEFINITION

Experimental courses are innovative or pilot courses exploring new educational offerings, subject, or methods, and differing from the standard curriculum format. **Experimental courses can be offered two times.**

8.2 DEADLINE

Experimental course proposals may be submitted at any time. All proposals need to be submitted through Curriculog for Chair of the University Curriculum Committee for approval. In order for an experimental course to be included in the next schedule, it must be submitted to the Chair of the University Curriculum Committee at least two weeks before the schedule deadline, which is three weeks before registration opens. Please keep the approval process in mind as you seek approval. You will need to allow time for Department Chair and College Dean approval before the course makes it to Chair of the University Curriculum Committee for approval.

8.3 EXPERIMENTAL COURSE PROPOSAL FORM

Experimental course proposals require the completion of a New Experimental Course Proposal Form. The New Experimental Course Proposal form is available in Curriculog. To get to Curriculog, you may select the link from the University Curriculum Canvas Course, type weber.curriculog.com into any browser, or through the eWeber portal and type in Curriculum Proposals.

*A syllabus of the proposed course must be attached.*

8.4 RESTRICTIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

No course may be taught experimentally if it has previously been disapproved by the University Curriculum Committee as a regular course offering.
All proposals need to be submitted through an academic department in Curriculog.

No experimental course may be scheduled until appropriate approval is received as indicated on the New Experimental Course Proposal Form.

A course may be offered no more than twice under the experimental number. It is then dropped or it may be resubmitted to the University Curriculum Committee for consideration as a new course offering. While a successful offering as an experimental course may be considered as evidence for later creation of a regular course offering, the University Curriculum Committee is not bound by the previous offering and will consider the submission on its merits.

—810 plus the appropriate prefix, are to be used to designate experimental courses, i.e. 2810, 3810, 4810, 5810.

8.5 APPROVAL PROCESS

Department Chair

Dean of College

University Curriculum Committee Chair

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