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TO: Undergraduate Programs Committee

FROM: Marina P. Banchetti, Chair

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RE: Changes to Philosophy Courses

The department of philosophy is proposing to change the credit hours from 4 to 3 for the following courses: PHI 3320 (Philosophy of Mind), PHI 4400 (Philosophy of Science), PHI 4633 (Biomedical Ethics) and PHP 4784 (Analytical Philosophy). Lowering the credit hours of these courses will provide more flexibility in scheduling and will also make it easier for our majors to avoid going over 120 credits as they fulfill the requirements for the B.A. in philosophy. The content and rigor of the courses will not be affected by the change in credit hours.

Secondly, the department is proposing a change in course title for PHP 4784 from 'Analytical Philosophy' to 'Analytic Philosophy', in order to better reflect the accepted practice when referring to the philosophical tradition that is the focus of the course.

Finally, the department is proposing to change the course descriptions of PHH 3420 (Early Modern Philosophy), PHH 4440 (Late Modern Philosophy), and PHI 4633 (Biomedical Ethics) to make the descriptions more specific and to more accurately reflect the content of these courses.