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**NEW OR MODIFIED COURSE PROPOSAL FORM**

**[X] Undergraduate Curriculum Council**

**[ ] Graduate Council**

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| **[X]New Course, [ ]Experimental Course (1-time offering), or [ ]Modified Course (Check one box)** |

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| Mary Elizabeth Spence | 9/4/2020 |
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1. **Contact Person (Name, Email Address, Phone Number)**

Dr. Julie King, juking@astate.edu; 870-932-3920

1. **Proposed starting term and Bulletin year for new course or modification to take effect**

 Fall 2021, Bulletin year 2021-2021.

**Instructions:**

*Please complete all sections unless otherwise noted. For course modifications, sections with a “Modification requested?” prompt need not be completed if the answer is “No.”*

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|  | **Current (Course Modifications Only)** | **Proposed (New or Modified)** *(Indicate “N/A” if no modification)* |
| **Prefix** |  | **OESH** |
| **Number\*** |  | **4323** |
| **Title** |  | **Air Pollution**  |
| **Description\*\*** |  | Pollutants, health effects, and technologies for controlling emissions. |

 ***\**** (Confirm with the Registrar’s Office that number chosen has not been used before and is available for use. For variable credit courses, indicate variable range. *Proposed number for experimental course is 9*. )

\*\*Forty words or fewer as it should appear in the Bulletin.

1. **Proposed prerequisites and major restrictions** **[Modification requested? Yes/No]**

(Indicate all prerequisites. If this course is restricted to a specific major, which major. If a student does not have the prerequisites or does not have the appropriate major, the student will not be allowed to register).

1. **Yes** Are there any prerequisites?
	1. If yes, which ones?

Must be admitted to OESH program.

OESH 4003 Internship

OESH 4013 OSHA Standards and Practices

OESH 4113 Environmental Health and Safety Management

OESH 4203 Principles of Food Safety and Sanitation

* 1. Why or why not?

A fundamental understanding of chemistry, chemical reactions, and physics is crucial to the study of air pollution. Students need to understand the chemical components of air and basic physics to understand the makeup and functions of the air and atmosphere. Students admitted to and enrolled in the OESH program/major should have completed the prerequisite coursework and OESH coursework prior to this course.

1. **Yes** Is this course restricted to a specific major?
	1. If yes, which major? Occupational and Environmental Safety and Health
2. **Proposed course frequency [Modification requested? Yes/No]**

(e.g. Fall, Spring, Summer; if irregularly offered, please indicate, “irregular.”) *Not applicable to Graduate courses.*

**Spring**

1. **Proposed course type [Modification requested? Yes/No]**

Will this course be lecture only, lab only, lecture and lab, activity (e.g., physical education), dissertation/thesis, capstone, independent study, internship/practicum, seminar, special topics, or studio? Please choose one.

**Lecture only**

1. **Proposed grade type [Modification requested? Yes/No]**

What is the grade type (i.e. standard letter, credit/no credit, pass/fail, no grade, developmental, or other [please elaborate])

**Standard Letter grade**

1. **No** Is this course dual-listed (undergraduate/graduate)?
2. **No** Is this course cross-listed?

*(If it is, all course entries must be identical including course descriptions. Submit appropriate documentation for requested changes. It is important to check the course description of an existing course when adding a new cross-listed course.)*

**a.** – If yes, please list the prefix and course number of the cross-listed course.

 Enter text...

 **b.** – **Yes / No** Can the cross-listed course be used to satisfy the prerequisite or degree requirements this course satisfies?

 Enter text...

1. **Yes**  Is this course in support of a new program?

a. If yes, what program?

 **Occupational and Environmental Safety and Health**

1. **No** Will this course be a one-to-one equivalent to a deleted course or previous version of this course (please check with the Registrar if unsure)?

a. If yes, which course?

Enter text...

**Course Details**

1. **Proposed outline** **[Modification requested? Yes/No]**

(The course outline should be topical by weeks and should be sufficient in detail to allow for judgment of the content of the course.)

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| Week | Topic/Assignments |
| 1 | Introduction / The Science of Air Pollution |
| 2 | The State of the Atmosphere |
| 3 | Life cycle of air pollutants |
| 4 | Inherent properties of air pollutants |
| 5 | Exposure routes of air pollutants |
| 6 | Air Pollutant Hazards |
| 7 | Health effects of air pollution (Respiratory and Cardiovascular effects) |
| 8 | Cancer and Air Pollution |
| 9 | Other Health effects of air pollution |
| 10 | Health effects of air pollution continued |
| 11 | Source sampling and Air pollutant emission sampling |
| 12 | Interpreting Air Quality Data |
| 13 | Air Pollution Control Technologies |
| 14 | Air Pollution Prevention strategies |
| 15 | Air pollution and epidemiology |
|  | FINAL EXAM |

1. **Proposed special features** **[Modification requested? Yes/No]**

(e.g. labs, exhibits, site visitations, etc.)

None

1. **Department staffing and classroom/lab resources**

Traditional classroom setting

1. Will this require additional faculty, supplies, etc.?

Yes, a faculty member with a specialization in environmental health will be needed and is planned for.

1. **No** Does this course require course fees?

 *If yes: please attach the New Program Tuition and Fees form, which is available from the UCC website.*

**Justification**

**Modification Justification (Course Modifications Only)**

1. Justification for Modification(s)

Enter text...

**New Course Justification (New Courses Only)**

1. Justification for course. Must include:

 a. Academic rationale and goals for the course (skills or level of knowledge students can be expected to attain)

 Environmental health specialists are represented in a variety of work places including private industry and the public sector. A basic understanding of air pollution is necessary for graduates of our programs that will possibly lead environmental programs in the workforce. Often times, these graduates will be in charge of sampling for air pollutants to ensure that contaminant levels are meeting or below guidelines set forth by the Environmental Protection Agency for the industry. Students must have knowledge of the types and sources of various pollutants as well as pollution mitigation strategies in order to lead effective environmental programs.

b. How does the course fit with the mission of the department? If course is mandated by an accrediting or certifying agency, include the directive.

 The mission of the College of Nursing and Health Professions is dedicated to providing a comprehensive and quality education to students wishing to pursue careers in health fields and this includes the fields of occupational and environmental safety and health. The mission of the OESH program is to educate the next generation(s) of environmental health and safety practitioners that will be able to function effectively in industrial settings, the public sector, or academia, and to produce valuable occupational safety and environmental health specialists that act ethically in the practice considering the implications to the health of workers and the environment.

The study of air pollution is critical to this field as the levels and types of pollutants can have drastic health impacts on workers and the community. The Occupational and Environmental Safety and Health Program at Arkansas State University will also be seeking accreditation from the Environmental Health Science and Protection Accreditation Council (NEHSPAC/EHAC) which requires that students have been exposed to or have in depth study in environmental health areas including air-quality control. This course will fulfill that requirement.

c. Student population served.

This course is a required course for the Bachelor of Science in Occupational and Environmental Safety and Health degree program. It may also be useful for students in the study of Environmental Sciences programs.

d. Rationale for the level of the course (lower, upper, or graduate).

Requiring this course to be upper level ensures that students will have the opportunity to have completed courses in chemistry, biology, and physics prior to taking this course. This course requires a fundamental understanding of these topics and is considered an in-depth course in the program.

**Assessment**

**Assessment Plan Modifications (Course Modifications Only)**

1. **Yes / No** Do the proposed modifications result in a change to the assessment plan?

 *If yes, please complete the Assessment section of the proposal*

**Relationship with Current Program-Level Assessment Process (Course modifications skip this section unless the answer to #18 is “Yes”)**

1. What is/are the intended program-level learning outcome/s for students enrolled in this course? Where will this course fit into an already existing program assessment process?

 Students will be expected to gain and use critical thinking skills. Students are also expected to be able to communicate within various levels of an organization and communication skills will be reinforced. Students will gain knowledge and experience in designing studies to evaluate for air pollutants.

1. Considering the indicated program-level learning outcome/s (from question #19), please fill out the following table to show how and where this course fits into the program’s continuous improvement assessment process.

*For further assistance, please see the ‘Expanded Instructions’ document available on the UCC - Forms website for guidance, or contact the Office of Assessment at 870-972-2989.*

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| **Program-Level Outcome 1 (from question #23)** | (SLO – 1) Students will be able to apply a broad base of science, mathematics, and communication knowledge to anticipate, recognize, and quantify environmental health and occupational safety hazards.  |
| Assessment Measure | Direct measure: OESH 4003 Internship and OESH 4401 Senior Seminar act as a capstone to the program. Internship preceptors and instructors will be given a detailed evaluation form to fill out upon internship completion to assess for critical thinking skills in anticipating, recognizing and evaluating environmental health and occupational safety hazards. Students will also be given mock certification exams in either environmental health or occupational safety in the OESH 4401 Senior Seminar course. The grade outcomes of these exams will also be used to assess the program. Indirect measures: Students will be given program exit surveys in the OESH 4401 Senior Seminar course to assess the program.  |
| Assessment Timetable | Annually  |
| Who is responsible for assessing and reporting on the results? | Course faculty and Occupational and Environmental Safety and Health Program Chair, Dr. Julie King, juking@astate.edu 870-972-3920 |

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| **Program-Level Outcome 2 (from question #23)** | (SLO - 2) Students should be able to communicate occupational and environmental standards, studies, and programs effectively and professionally with a wide range of audiences verbally and in writing through publications, presentations, and technical reports. |
| Assessment Measure | Direct measure: OESH 4003 Internship and OESH 4401 Senior Seminar act as a capstone to the program. Students will be required to give a formal presentation in the OESH 4401 Senior seminar detailing their experiences in the internship. Presentations will be evaluated for communication skills. Internship preceptors and instructors will also give detailed evaluations on the students’ ability to communicate with a variety of audiences. Indirect measures: Students will be given program exit surveys in the OESH 4401 Senior Seminar course to assess the program.  |
| Assessment Timetable | Annually |
| Who is responsible for assessing and reporting on the results? | Course faculty and Occupational and Environmental Safety and Health Program Chair, Dr. Julie King, juking@astate.edu 870-972-3920 |

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| **Program-Level Outcome 3 (from question #23)** | (SLO – 3) Students will be able to design and conduct environmental or workplace studies, experiments, or investigations, then analyze data and draw appropriate conclusions using sound scientific judgement. |
| Assessment Measure | Direct measure: OESH 4003 Internship and OESH 4401 Senior Seminar act as a capstone to the program. Internship preceptors and instructors will be given a detailed evaluation form to fill out upon internship completion to assess for ability to design and conduct detailed workplace studies, experiments, and investigations. Students will also be assessed for their ability to draw sound scientific conclusions using data from these experiments. Students ability to conduct these investigations will also be assessed by program faculty in their formal presentation of their internship experiences required in OESH 4401 Senior Seminar. Indirect measures: Students will be given program exit surveys in the OESH 4401 Senior Seminar course to assess the program.  |
| Assessment Timetable | Annually  |
| Who is responsible for assessing and reporting on the results? | Course faculty and Occupational and Environmental Safety and Health Program Chair, Dr. Julie King, juking@astate.edu 870-972-3920 |

 **Course-Level Outcomes**

1. What are the course-level outcomes for students enrolled in this course and the associated assessment measures?

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| **Outcome 1** | Students will be able to identify common air pollutants, their sources, basic air sampling and measurement techniques, and describe the environmental and health effects of air pollution.  |
| Which learning activities are responsible for this outcome? | LecturesAssigned readingsBlackboard discussionsWritten assignments |
| Assessment Measure  | Final Exam rubric benchmark 85%  |

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| **Outcome 2** | Students will be able to describe the general techniques for controlling air pollutant emissions and modern techniques for controlling air pollution.  |
| Which learning activities are responsible for this outcome? | Lectures Assigned readingsPossible visit to an industrial siteWritten assignments |
| Assessment Measure  | Final paper rubric Benchmark 85%.  |

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| **Outcome 3** | Students will have a basic understanding of the structure and physics of the atmosphere, meteorology, airflow and the role that it plays in air pollution dispersion.  |
| Which learning activities are responsible for this outcome? | LecturesWeather monitoringAssigned readings |
| Assessment Measure  | Final Exam rubric Benchmark 85% |

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| **Outcome 4** | Students will be able to explain the effects of climate change, particulate emission and formation, and the public health implications of air pollutants.  |
| Which learning activities are responsible for this outcome? | LecturesOnline climate modeling simulationsAssigned readings |
| Assessment Measure  | Final Exam rubric Benchmark 85% |

**Bulletin Changes**

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| **Instructions**  |
| **Please visit** [**http://www.astate.edu/a/registrar/students/bulletins/index.dot**](http://www.astate.edu/a/registrar/students/bulletins/index.dot) **and select the most recent version of the bulletin. Copy and paste all bulletin pages this proposal affects below. Please include a before (with changed areas highlighted) and after of all affected sections.** **\*Please note: Courses are often listed in multiple sections of the bulletin. To ensure that all affected sections have been located, please search the bulletin (ctrl+F) for the appropriate courses before submission of this form.**  |

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**Major in Occupational and Environmental Safety and Health**

*Bachelor of Science*

A complete 8-semester degree plan is available at [https://www.astate.edu/info/academics/degrees/](http://www.astate.edu/info/academics/degrees/)

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| **University Requirements:** |  |
| See University General Requirements for Baccalaureate degrees (p. 42) |  |
| **First Year Making Connections Course:** | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| UC 1013, Making Connections | **3** |
| **General Education Requirements:** | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| See General Education Curriculum for Baccalaureate degrees (p. 78)**Students with this major must take the following:***MATH 1023, College Algebra or MATH course that requires MATH 1023 as a prerequisite**CHEM 1013 and CHEM 1011 General Chemistry and Lab**BIO 2013 and BIO 2011 Biology of the Cell and Lab**COMS 1203, Oral Communication (Required Departmental Gen. Ed. Option)* | **35** |
| **Major Requirements:** | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| OESH 3013 Fundamentals of Occupational Safety | 3 |
| OESH 3023 Principles of Environmental Health | 3 |
| OESH 3103 Recognition of Occupational Hazards | 3 |
| OESH 3113 Toxicology | 3 |
| OESH 3203 Control of Occupational Hazards | 3 |
| OESH 3223 Industrial Hygiene Sampling and Analysis Laboratory | 3 |
| OESH 3303 Water, wastewater, Solid and Hazardous Waste Treatment | 3 |
| OESH 3313 Epidemiology and Biostatistics | 3 |
| DPEM 3503 Principles of Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management | 3 |
| OESH 4003 OESH Internship | 3 |
| OESH 4013 OSHA Standards and Practices | 3 |
| OESH 4113 Environmental Health and Safety Management | 3 |
| OESH 4203 Principles of Food Safety and Sanitation | 3 |
| OESH 4213 Construction Safety | 3 |
| OESH 4223 Accident Investigation and Analysis | 3 |
| OESH 4303 Environmental Risk Assessment | 3 |
| OESH 4313 Ergonomics | 3 |
| OESH 4323 Air Pollution | 3 |
| OESH 4401 OESH Senior Seminar | 1 |
| POSC 4533 Environmental Law and Administration | 3 |

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**OESH 4323 Air Pollution** – Pollutants, health effects, and technologies for controlling emissions. Admission to the Occupational and Environmental Safety and Health Program required. Prerequisites, OESH 4003, OESH 4013, OESH 4113, and OESH 4203. Spring.