



## End of Season IAI and Panel Updates: Spring 2022 Season

### Overall Reminders for Institutions & Course Submitters:

- Institutions are not checking for better/new identifiers before submitting currently approved courses for the Ongoing Course Review process. IAI leadership continue to ask submitters and institutions to compare their course against the panel's descriptor(s) to determine if the course still aligns with the current course code or if it should be submitted for consideration under a different, better descriptor. Visit the following to see all IAI course descriptor options: <http://ittransfer.org/courses/descriptors.php>
- The fall submission deadline is October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:00 pm as October 1<sup>st</sup> is on a Saturday this year.
- We have added a requirement for the online institutional catalog/course list in submissions and resubmissions including conditional approvals. If you receive an error code, please review the course submission for a field that looks like this, then paste the institution's course catalog web link into the box:

**Documents Submitted +**

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**URL / Link to Online Catalog for the Institution**

- The iManage system has existed since 2006 and programmers are working to implement system enhancements and update coding to current industry standards. As these upgrades and updates continue, submitters may see some functionality differences. If you receive an error code and/or if you do not receive confirmation emails on any actions taken within the system, please send the IAI team an email to check the status of actions or make inquiries at [ittransfer@ittransfer.org](mailto:ittransfer@ittransfer.org).

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### IAI GECC Panels:

#### GECC Communications

The panel approved the proposed changes to the panel's descriptors made by the Speech and Writing Subcommittees. The changes are as summarized here:

- The writing sequences were clarified with competencies related to research writing and non-research writing courses.
- The online speech course requirements were clarified and revised to reflect lessons learned in the COVID pandemic when all courses had to be delivered remotely. Primary changes include:
  - At least one of the three required speeches must be presented in front of a live audience located in the same room as the speaker, with the audience visible in the video recording throughout the entire presentation.

### **GECC Communications (continued)**

- Two of the required speeches may be presented live on a videoconferencing platform (such as Zoom or Microsoft Teams), with audience members' faces visible to the speaker throughout the entire presentation.

These revisions are reflected on the iTransfer site and included in documents attached to the summary.

<http://ittransfer.org/courses/gecc/communication.php>.

C1900 - [Description](#) - [Courses](#) - Writing Course Sequence

C1900R - [Description](#) - [Courses](#) - Writing Course Sequence

C1901 - [Description](#) - [Courses](#) - Writing Course Sequence

C1901R - [Description](#) - [Courses](#) - Writing Course Sequence

C2900 - [Description](#) - [Courses](#) - Oral Communication

The panel will review the revised descriptions in the fall of 2023 to ensure revisions are working as the panel intended and determine if further revisions are needed. The panel will also work on the criteria document in the fall to ensure it fully reflects these important revisions.

**GECC Humanities & Fine Arts** - No updates this semester.

### **GECC Life Sciences**

The panel discussed lab structures with virtual labs & lab simulations. After a brief discussion about the issue, the panel requested a special meeting to discuss this issue as this is a matter of consideration post-COVID for the GECC and major panels. Institutions will be notified if changes are made by the panel this fall.

### **GECC Mathematics**

There was a minor revision to M1904. The site has been updated at: [Mathematics Course Descriptions | iTransfer](#) and **M1904- General Education Mathematics, [Description](#)**.

### **GECC Physical Sciences**

- The panel made a small change to the Course Approval Criteria Descriptions of Labs section to add the following: "Of the required lab hours, a minimum of 24 lab contact hours must be spent on lab activities." To see the full document, visit [GECC Physical Sciences Panel Related Documents | iTransfer](#).

**GECC Social & Behavioral Sciences** - No updates this semester.

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## **IAI Major Panels:**

**Agriculture** - No updates this semester.

**Art** - No updates this semester.

### **Biology**

The panel approved the new Anatomy & Physiology sequence descriptors. The descriptions are on the website at: <http://ittransfer.org/courses/majors/bio.php> and include an option in which all labs are non-cadaver based and an option for courses that use human cadavers in the labs. The panel also made allowances for the use of "SynDavrs", also known as medical simulation models.

**The NEW identifiers are [BIO 920](#) and [920 C \(Lab with a Cadaver\)](#).** They are available for new submissions starting with the fall '22 panel season in the iManage system. As a result of the addition of the new identifiers, the panel updated their Course Approval Criteria document to include information on submission requirements for BIO 920 and 920C (Lab with a Cadaver). The updated document is on the site as well at:

### **Biology (continued)**

<http://itransfer.org/submitters/panelrelateddocuments/bio.php>.

The panel also discussed fully online biology major courses. The panel confirmed that it currently expects mostly traditional labs for all courses approved in the major courses. If an institution is using hands-on kits, these must also be clearly described within the submission materials.

### **Business**

The panel made minor revisions to the BUS 901 Business Statistics descriptor to emphasize the requirement of business applications within the course for approval by the panel. These requirements are **bolded** in each of the descriptor outcome lines and the panel worked together to further clarify this expectation within the "Important Course Content Note" section of the descriptor. The revised descriptor can be viewed at - [BUS 901 Descriptor \(itransfer.org\)](#).

### **Chemistry**

The panel reviewed the contact hours required for labs and determined that it should be a minimum of 32 lab contact hours. The clarification was added to the panel's Course Approval Criteria document. The panel also clarified their expectations for labs post-COVID. Please note that there is now a **bolded** statement regarding their expectation that lab kits are not appropriate for a major's chemistry course. The updated panel criteria document is posted to the iTransfer website at: <http://itransfer.org/downloads/panelrelateddocuments/ChemCourseApprovalCriteriaSpr2022Final.pdf>

### **Computer Science**

The panel made a revision to the CS 912 Computer Science II descriptor, Course Outcome #12 which is effective as of Fall '22. The revised description can be found on the site at:

<https://imanager.itransfer.org/OUCampusIAI/courses/listMajorCourses.aspx?desc=CS912>

**Criminal Justice** - No updates this semester.

**Early Childhood Education** - No updates this semester.

### **Engineering**

The panel made clarifications to their Course Approval Criteria document regarding the group project option in EGR 941 ([Engineering Graphics/CAD](#)) and any related presentations across this and other courses. The updated criteria document is on the site at:

<https://itransfer.org/submitters/panelrelateddocuments/egr.php>.

### **Mathematics**

The panel decided to make a small revision to the Calculus sequence. The description was enhanced to add "Cylindrical" back to "surfaces." This revision will also be discussed with the GECC Math panel as they also have descriptors for the calculus sequence. The major panel's revision is effective as of fall '22. The updated descriptors can be found on the site at: MTH 901 to 903 - [Description](#)

**Media & Communications Arts** - No updates this semester.

### **Physics**

The panel made a clarification to the expectations for the detailed weekly outline within the Course Approval Criteria document at <https://itransfer.org/submitters/panelrelateddocuments/phy.php>.

**Political Science, Psychology, & Theater Arts Panels** - No updates this semester.