New Collegiate Division

The New Collegiate Division offers a variety of interdisciplinary courses in addition to those particularly related to specific programs of study. One of the purposes of the division is to provide a forum for new ideas in teaching: certainly only one such forum among many in the College and the University, but for some teachers, and for some subjects cutting across familiar academic lines, the most convenient one. These courses are as a rule open to all students. Indeed, they usually aspire to attract students with different interests and backgrounds.

New Collegiate Division Courses

**NCDV 21201. Human Impact on the Environment. 100 Units.**
The goal of this course is to analyze the impact of the human enterprise on the world that sustains it. Topics include human population dynamics, historical trends in human well-being, and our use of natural resources—especially in relation to the provision of energy, water, and food—and the impacts that these activities have on the range of goods and services provided by geological/ecological systems. We read and discuss diverse sources and write short weekly papers.
Instructor(s): Raymond Lodato Terms Offered: Autumn
Note(s): ENST 21201 and 21301 are required of students who are majoring in Environmental Studies and may be taken in any order.
Equivalent Course(s): ENST 21201

**NCDV 27400. Biological and Cultural Evolution. 100 Units.**
This course draws on readings in and case studies of language evolution, biological evolution, cognitive development and scaffolding, processes of socialization and formation of groups and institutions, and the history and philosophy of science and technology. We seek primarily to elaborate theory to understand and model processes of cultural evolution, while exploring analogies, differences, and relations to biological evolution. This has been a highly contentious area, and we examine why. We seek to evaluate what such a theory could reasonably cover and what it cannot.
Instructor(s): S. Mufwene, W. Wimsatt Terms Offered: Winter
Prerequisite(s): Third- or fourth-year standing or consent of instructor required; core background in evolution and genetics strongly recommended.
Note(s): This course does not meet requirements for the biological sciences major. CHDV Distribution: A
Equivalent Course(s): CHDV 23930, ANTH 28615, ANTH 38615, LING 11100, CHSS 37900, LING 39286, CHDV 33930, BIOS 29286, HIPS 23900, PHIL 22500, PHIL 32500, BPRO 23900

**NCDV 29700. Reading Course. 100 Units.**
This course is designed for New Collegiate Division students whose program requirements are best met by study under a faculty member's individual supervision. The subject, course of study, and requirements are arranged with the instructor.
Terms Offered: Autumn, Winter, Spring
Note(s): Must be taken for a quality grade.

**NCDV 29800. Reading Course. 100 Units.**
Students in divisions other than the New Collegiate Division may arrange a tutorial with a member of the New Collegiate Division faculty. Registration for this course and information about the tutorial arrangement must be reported to the office of the New Collegiate Division master.
Terms Offered: Autumn, Winter, Spring
Prerequisite(s): Consent of faculty supervisor and program chairman. Students are required to submit the College Reading and Research Course Form.
Note(s): Available for either quality grades or for P/F grading.

**NCDV 29900. Independent Study. 100 Units.**
Open only to New Collegiate Division students with consent of faculty supervisor and program chairman.
Terms Offered: Autumn, Spring, Winter
Prerequisite(s): Students are required to submit the College Reading and Research Course Form.
Note(s): Must be taken for P/F grading.
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- Times was used instead of Trajan.
- Times was used instead of Palatino.

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