

**WESTERN CAROLINA UNIVERSITY  
LIBERAL STUDIES PROGRAM  
UPPER LEVEL PERSPECTIVES COURSE CONTRACT**

Procedure: The faculty member who teaches the course for which this contract is being submitted completes this contract and presents it to the student. The student submits the signed contract, attaches a copy of the syllabus and submits it to the Associate Provost for Undergraduate Studies (office location: 550 HFR Administration Building) for approval before the beginning of the semester in which the student will enroll in the course.

Policy: The contracted course should meet the overall objectives of the Liberal Studies program as outlined below, as well as meet the specific learning outcomes for the perspectives area for which the course will be approved:

- 1) The goal to promote a love of learning and an active curiosity for knowledge;
- 2) The Fundamental Principles of the program (critical analysis of arguments, oral communication, service learning, moral reflection, and cultural diversity);
- 3) The stated learning goals of the Liberal Studies program (see learning objectives listed on the following site: <https://www.wcu.edu/learn/academic-enrichment/liberal-studies-program/assessment.aspx>)

Criteria:

- Departments may be represented in only two Liberal Studies Perspectives categories.
- Courses must satisfy a Liberal Studies Perspectives category already established in a department.
- Courses taken to satisfy a Liberal Studies Upper Level Perspectives course must be taken outside the major.

Please print/type your responses to the following:

Term/Year in which course will be taken: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Student's 92# \_\_\_\_\_ Student's Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Local Address \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Major \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Standing (freshman, sophomore, junior, senior) \_\_\_\_\_

Course Prefix \_\_\_\_\_ Course Number \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Hours \_\_\_\_\_

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Course Title \_\_\_\_\_

Instructor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Instructor's Department \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor's Department \_\_\_\_\_

In which Perspectives category does the department already participate? Please check all that apply:

Social Sciences \_\_\_\_\_

History \_\_\_\_\_

Humanities \_\_\_\_\_

Fine and Performing Arts \_\_\_\_\_

World Cultures \_\_\_\_\_

Designate the Perspectives category you wish this ULP contract to satisfy (see Criteria above):

Social Sciences \_\_\_\_\_

History \_\_\_\_\_

Humanities \_\_\_\_\_

Fine and Performing Arts \_\_\_\_\_

World Cultures \_\_\_\_\_

Course Description (please print or type, expanding the space as needed. Attach additional sheets if necessary):

Briefly describe how this course meets the educational intent of the Liberal Studies Perspectives category designated above. (Refer to the category descriptions in the Liberal Studies program document at <http://www.wcu.edu/WebFiles/PDFs/LiberalStudiesDocument-Approved-1-27-2016.pdf>).

Briefly describe how this course would develop and assess student accomplishment in the areas of Writing and Information Use (required for all Liberal Studies Perspectives courses).

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Briefly describe how this course would develop and assess student accomplishment in one or more of the following additional areas: critical analysis of arguments, oral communication, service learning, moral reflection, cultural diversity.

Does this course have any course prerequisites? No \_\_\_\_\_ Yes, they are \_\_\_\_\_

Does the student satisfy these prerequisites if any: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If no, does the instructor waive these prerequisites: No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please explain \_\_\_\_\_

We, the undersigned, hereby agree to the above contracted course as an Upper Level Perspectives course in the Liberal Studies program. As a result of the successful completion of the course, the designation of "upper level perspective course" will be affixed to the above-named course as it appears in the student's official transcript.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
(Student's Name) (Date)

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
(Instructor's Name) (Date)

Approval \_\_\_\_\_  
Associate Provost for Undergraduate Studies (Date)

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