Course Definitions and Format

Format of Course Listings

All university course offerings, listed alphabetically by areas of study, are described in the section titled Course Catalog Descriptions (http://catalog.ndsu.edu/course-catalog.descriptions/). Course information and course availability is subject to change. The heading, which precedes the brief description of each course, includes the current course number; course title; and the number of fixed or variable semester credit hours. The frequency the course is offered may appear at the end of the description. F = Fall, S = Spring, SS = Summer Session. Terms presented in a fraction indicate course is offered alternate years. F/2 = every other Fall semester.

Course Numbers

Course numbers indicate the student classification for which the course is primarily intended. Some course numbers end with a letter suffix: L - laboratory course; R - recitation (undergraduate) or research continuation (graduate); S - graduate project. The number system is as follows:

- 0-99 series courses - developmental; non-degree eligible
- 100 series courses - primarily for freshmen
- 200 series courses - primarily for sophomores
- 300 series courses - primarily for juniors
- 400 series courses - primarily for seniors
- 500-599 series courses - post-baccalaureate professional courses
- 601-699 series courses - graduate courses taught concurrently in the same classroom with advanced undergraduates at the 400 or 500 level
- 700-799 series courses - open to graduate students
- 800-899 series courses - predominantly intended for doctoral level graduate students
- 2000 numbered courses - Continuing Education post-baccalaureate courses, not applicable toward graduate degrees

Graduate standing is required for 600-700 level courses unless prior approval to use the course for an undergraduate program of study is granted by the department/instructor.