

UMM Course Descriptions for Spring 2010

Semester begins 1/20/2010. Exceptions noted in **red** text.

ACCM 302 **ASYN** **Intermediate Accounting II** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010
Techniques accountants use to measure and communicate general purpose financial information to all interested parties in a manner that complies with generally accepted accounting principles. Topics include revenue recognition criteria, current and long term liabilities, corporate owner's equity, income taxes, pensions, leases, and the statement of cash flow. Prerequisite: ACC 301 Intermediate Accounting I or the equivalent or permission of instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Assoc. Prof. Patrick McCarthy

ACCM 311 **ASYN** **Individual Income Tax** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010
Covers federal income tax legislation that applies to individual income taxpayers. Topics include the individual income tax formula, income inclusions and exclusions, ordinary income, capital gains and losses, active and passive income, deductions, and tax credits. Students learn to prepare individual income tax returns. Prerequisite: ACC 201 or permission of instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Assoc. Prof. Patrick McCarthy

ACCM 314 **ASYN** **QuickBooks Accounting for Entrepreneurs** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010
QuickBooks Accounting for Entrepreneurs will introduce students to QuickBooks accounting software. Students will become familiar with maintaining accounting records and preparing summary financial reports using QuickBooks. The course is also intended to help students learn or review fundamental accounting concepts and principles, enable students to review financial statements from a user perspective, provide students with a means to investigate the underlying source documents that generate most accounting information, and offer students the chance to explore some managerial aspects of accounting by performing financial analyses and comparisons. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> Prerequisite: ACC 201 or permission of instructor. CR 3. Instructor Rhonda French

ANTM 101 **ASYN** **Cultural Anthropology** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010
A comparative study of contemporary cultures and institutions with particular attention to primitive and peasant societies. Emphasized are such topics as human evolution and race; pre-scientific writings and ethnology; the concept of culture; language and perception; economics and technology; marriage, the family and kinship; associations, castes and classes; political organization and warfare; religion and magic; folklore and the arts; culture and personality; American culture; cross-cultural contact; and cultural change. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR 3. Lecturer Kenneth Miller

ASLM 102 **CV** **Intermediate Sign Language** **F 4:00 PM-6:45 PM**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010
Following the Introduction to Sign Language, this course serves as the second half of the sign language sequence. The intermediate-level course utilizes the immersion-style teaching method. A silent classroom where signed ASL will be the only form of communication will be maintained for the duration of the course. Offered via two-way videoconferencing at some UMS campuses, most UC Centers, UC of Bangor, Belfast Hutchinson Center, and Lewiston-Auburn College. Review tapes unavailable. Prerequisite: ASLM 101 Intro to Sign Language or permission of the instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Lecturer Barbara Koch

BIOM 108 **ASYN** **Introduction to Human Nutrition** **ONLINE**

UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

This introductory course will provide students with an overview of nutrition and deficiency diseases. Nutrition principles will include: food choices, role of the nutrients, basic metabolism, and energy balance. Time permitting, some special topics such as eating disorders, pregnancy and lactation, and sports nutrition will be discussed. Class will be augmented with optional video lectures and office hours. On-site exams required. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Assoc. Prof. Shallee Page

BUSM 111 **ASYN** **Introduction to Business and Entrepreneurship** **ONLINE**

UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

An introductory course providing knowledge of what business is all about. It is a basic course in business and economic and entrepreneurial literacy as well as organizational structures and functions, and provides an overview of the traditional business disciplines including marketing, finance, accounting, management, information systems, etc., and additionally forms the basis for subsequent studies. Competency and/or concurrent enrollment in basic reading, writing, and mathematics courses are a prerequisite for all business studies offerings with a prefix of ACC, BUS, MAN, or MAR. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Assoc. Prof. Patrick McCarthy

BUSM 212 **ASYN** **Business Communications** **ONLINE**

UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

This is a course designed to develop effective communication skills in the areas of writing, speaking, and listening. Emphasis is placed on appropriate formats for business communications including grammatical style, clarity, and conciseness of messages. Prerequisite: ENG 101 Composition. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Instructor Rhonda French

BUSM 222 **ASYN** **Business Law II** **ONLINE**

UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

A course designed for continued emphasis on the legal principles governing business transactions. Special emphasis is given to commercial paper, real and personal property, bailments, agency and employment. Prerequisite: BUSM 221 Business Law I or equivalent, or permission of instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu>. CR3. Prof. Ronald Mosley

BUSM 326 **ASYN** **Business Sustainability & Environmental Management** **ONLINE**

UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

This course addresses the growing imperative for businesses and other organizations to account for their environmental, social, and economic impacts. Students learn various methods and tools used to evaluate and track a business's performance according to sustainability criteria. Specifically, students are introduced to environmental accounting, lifecycle analysis, and environmental management systems. Students explore challenges and opportunities associated with implementing sustainability initiatives. By completing this course, students gain an understanding of concrete steps business managers and sustainability coordinators can take to guide their organizations' sustainability efforts, track progress, report results, and market products. Class activities include weekly readings and writing assignments, case study reviews, online discussion, and independent student research. Prerequisites: ENG 101 English Composition and junior standing OR permission of instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu>. CR3 Asst. Prof. Kevin Athearn

BUSM 333 **ASYN** **Strategic Management for Entrepreneurs** **ONLINE**

UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

Every business - whether a sole proprietor or a major corporation - operates in a dynamic marketplace, which is shaped by forces external to that business. These forces can be local, regional, national, and global in nature, and are subject to unpredictable and rapid change. This on-line course introduces the student to the concepts, practices, and tools used by a business to evaluate these forces and to form a business plan intended to gain and

mathematics, gain computer skills in processing scientific/mathematical data, and examine the process for representing physical systems as mathematical models. The students will develop inquiry activities that are aligned to standards-based mathematics curricula and apply them to class through practica. In an attempt to develop authentic assessments aligned to mathematics education standards, students will also examine a comprehensive assessment system and critically evaluate assessment portfolios based on standards. This course addresses the standards of the Maine Learning Results, and the National Council of Mathematics (NCTM) standards. It is mandatory to participate in a weekly one-hour long Web-conference, and use of Online computer and Microsoft Office is required. Prerequisite: EDUM 313 Curriculum Design. Chuck Kim can be reached via e-mail at ckim@maine.edu <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Asst. Prof. Chuck Kim

ENGM 117 **ASYN** **Intro to Literary & Cultural Studies** **ONLINE**
January Session Dec 28 - Jan 15

An introduction to the goals, methods, and implications of literary analysis in the 21st century. The underlying assumption is that there is no such thing as a generic or standard reading of a literary work; all readings take place in and depend on a critical framework, whether that be explicit or implicit. From this starting point, the course is constructed around several critical approaches. One of these is a formalist approach in which students interpret the literary text on the basis of its formal features and stylistic conventions. Students will then explore other opposing and overlapping critical approaches, including but not limited to, feminist, Marxist, historicist, and psychological. Prerequisite: ENG 101 or permission of instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Assoc. Prof. Marcus Librizzi

ENGM 208 **ASYN** **Technical Writing in the Information Age** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

This course addresses both the traditional components of professional communication as well as its current trends and areas of future development. Students learn the theory and practices of technical writing as well as the techniques and formats routinely required in industry, business, government, and social services. Students apply their understanding and develop their skills by interacting with each other and with the instructor in an electronic medium. Through selected course projects, students will step-by-step build a writing portfolio that will leave them job ready. Prerequisite: ENG 101 Composition or the equivalent, or permission of instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Asst. Prof. Lynne Hepler

ENGM 212 **ASYN** **Women's Literature** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

Students in this course will read, discuss and write about a variety of texts by women authors, beginning with Virginia Woolf and ending with contemporary writers, such as Jeanette Winterson and Buchi Emecheta. Through an investigation of the authors and their characters, the course will consider historical thought and culture in relation to the texts, and will attempt to discover recurrent themes and issues that may reveal qualities of and aid us in the interpretation of Women's Literature. In particular, the course will take into account the ways in which sexual politics intersect with the politics of sexual orientation, class, race, ethnicity, nationality, and other markers of difference. We will consider possibilities for understanding and changing the cultural, political, and social systems that define, confine, and/or constrain women. Prerequisite: ENG 101 and one 100-level literature course, or permission of the instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Lecturer Sheila Johnson

ENGM 315/453 **ASYN** **Shakespeare** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

An upper-level seminar devoted to the close examination of Shakespeare's works, culture, and influence. Students will build on their previous knowledge of Shakespeare, early modern culture, and literary theory, especially in their completion of an in-depth research project. Prerequisite: 6 cr of 300-level English courses or permission of instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu>. CR3 Prof. Gerard NeCastro

ENVM 213/ PHIM 212 **ASYN** **Environmental Ethics & Values** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

This course will examine the deeper, philosophical questions that relate to many of the most important environmental and ecological issues, as well as the historical, social and spiritual aspects of these important questions. By studying the historical and current writings of various environmental and spiritual leaders, students will begin to explore their own values related to ecological issues as they relate to other viewpoints. Students will examine such basic topics as the human role in nature, our stewardship of the Earth, and our connection with the natural environment through a sense of place. Prerequisite: a course in writing composition or by permission of the instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu>. CR3. Asst. Prof. Chris Crittenden

GISM 330 **Hybrid** **Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Applications II** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

This is an intermediate course for students who have had some introduction to GIS. The course focuses on grid-based data models for visualization, modeling and analysis. Assessment will be based on problem sets, lab work and a final project. Readings, assignments, activities and discussions will cover: the raster data model, generating and working with grid data, georeferencing images and grids, basic remote sensing technologies, visualizing raster data sets, interpolation methods for generating continuous surface data, mathematical operations with grid data for spatial analysis, map algebra and grid-based modeling, basic modeling, evaluating and documenting error and uncertainty, ethics and accountability in spatial analysis, modeling and visualization. This is a hybrid distance course with three Saturday sessions from 8am to 5pm on January 23rd, March 13th and May 8th. The remainder of the course is online, including streaming video lectures that students can access at anytime. To participate, Students must either own or have access to a PC computer with the minimum system requirements for ArcGIS software (http://www.esri.com/software/arcgis/arceditor/system_requirements.html), or they must use the GIS lab at either UMM in Machias or WCCC in Calais to complete mapping assignments. If you have any questions about hybrid GIS courses at UMM or the GIS certificate and degree programs, please contact Tora Johnson at tjohnson@maine.edu. Prerequisite: GIS 230 GIS Applications I or permission of instructor. Knowledge of Windows recommended. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR4. Lecturer Tora Johnson

HTYM 116 **ITV** **World History Since 1500** **M/F 1:00 PM-2:15 PM**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

The second semester of a two-semester sequence examines world history from the 16th century to the present. This much shorter period saw enormous increases in trade, cultural, political and military interaction among all regions of the world. A major theme of this era is colonialism, the rise of European state, economic, and cultural power, and the reactions of the non-Western world to that power. <http://www.courses.maine.edu>. CR3. Assoc. Prof. Randall Kindleberger

HTYM 307 **ITV** **American Economic History** **M 2:30 PM-3:45 PM**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

An examination of the development and growth of the United States economy from Native American settlements to the present. Topics include sectoral history (finance, transport, maritime, etc.), the economics of war and slavery, the depression, post-war policies and prospects for the future. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Assoc. Prof. Jon Reisman

HTYM 307 **ASYN** **American Economic History** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

An examination of the development and growth of the United States economy from Native American settlements to the present. Topics include sectoral history (finance, transport, maritime, etc.), the economics of war and slavery, the depression, post-war policies and prospects for the future. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Assoc. Prof. Jon Reisman

MANM 301 **ASYN** **Management** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

Designed to present management as a science, an art, and a profession. The course emphasizes both the theoretical and the practical, presenting management as a process of utilizing organizational resources to achieve specific objectives through the functions of planning, organizing, leading, and controlling. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Instructor Robert Tropea

MANM 325 **ASYN** **Finance** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

A course designed to acquaint students with financial operations, management and investment planning, and technique analysis. Subject areas include: debt vs. equity financing; short, intermediate, and long term capital structuring; qualitative and quantitative decision making. Prerequisite: ACC 202 and a knowledge of Algebra, or permission of instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Instructor Robert Tropea

MANM 332 **ASYN** **Human Resource Management** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

A study of basic principles and procedures relating to the personnel department: job analysis and evaluation, incentives, employment, placement and training, employee services, labor relations and government regulations. Prerequisite: MAN 301 <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Instructor Robert Tropea

MANM 406 **ASYN** **Entrepreneurship** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

A course designed to build upon the small business management skills acquired through the Small Business Management course. Emphasis is upon the application of these skills in the process of discovery, evaluation and entry into entrepreneurial opportunities. Prerequisite: MAN 221, senior standing, or permission of instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Instructor Robert Tropea

MARM 323 **ASYN** **Personal Selling** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

Insights into the theories, principles, methods and techniques of creative personal selling. Emphasis is placed on interpersonal skills, ethics, and viewing sales in their natural setting as an event where both buyer and seller benefit. Students learn those aspects of sales management that make it distinct from generic management. Prerequisite: MAR 101 or permission of instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Instructor Robert Tropea

MATM 113 **ASYN** **Introduction to Statistics** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

Designed for students who need a reading knowledge of introductory statistical concepts, this course focuses on basic concepts and methods of statistics: data analysis, data production, and statistical inference. Data analysis concerns the methods for exploring, organizing, and describing data. Data production looks at methods for producing data to answer specific questions. Statistical inference moves beyond the data to draw conclusions about a wider universe, taking into account that conclusions are uncertain. To describe and understand statistical inference, a limited introduction to probability is presented. The class will use the statistical software package Minitab for course assignments. The course is designed so that students may proceed at their own pace. Prerequisite: MATM 012 Beginning Algebra or the equivalent, or permission of instructor. CR3. Prof. Bill Weigle

MATM 290 **CV** **Foundations of Math** **M/W 1:00-2:45PM**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

This course will examine selected topics in set theory, symbolic logic, and methods of proofs needed in more

advanced mathematics courses. Offered via two-way videoconferencing. Review tapes unavailable.

Prerequisite: MAT 126 Calculus I and MAT 127 Calculus II, or permission of instructor.

<http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR4. Asst. Prof. Noah Dean

MTRM 101 **ASYN** **Meteorology** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

An introduction to the study of weather and weather-related phenomena including solar radiation, temperature, moisture, winds, air pressure, air masses, weather patterns, weather analysis, weather forecasting, climate, weather instruments, and computers. Upon completion of this course, a student should have a qualitative understanding of how many of the basic principles of physics, chemistry and mathematics are applied in meteorology; an ability to relate personal weather observations to data received from weather instruments and analyzed on standard weather charts; and a new set of general data analysis skills. The course is designed so that students may proceed at their own pace. Prerequisite: MATM 012 Beginning Algebra or the equivalent, or permission of instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR4. Prof. Bill Weigle

PHEM 105 **ASYN** **Personal Wellness** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

A physical education lecture and activity course which provides students with an opportunity to explore and experience various components of fitness and wellness that will enhance their lives. The course is designed to meet individual needs by assessing and prescribing personalized programs to improve the different components of fitness and wellness. Wellness topics discussed include nutrition, weight management, cardiovascular disease, cancer, stress management, addictive behaviors, and healthy lifestyle issues. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR2. Lecturer Peter Knowles

PHIM 201 **ITV** **Ethics** **W 7:00 PM-9:45 PM**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

An examination of the task of ethics to elucidate the concept of the good life; to investigate ideas of obligation, duty, and responsibility; and to decide what ought to be done. The student explores traditional themes of right conduct. Through readings and discussions, these themes are applied to relevant contemporary issues such as war and terrorism, the connections between business and environmental ethics, sexuality, suicide and euthanasia and drug use. Prerequisite: ENGM 101 Composition, equivalent, or permission of instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Lecturer Thomas Halkett

POSM 305 **ITV** **Environmental Policy** **F 2:30 PM-3:45 PM**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

A systematic analysis of U.S. environmental policy focusing on air and water quality, land use, hazardous wastes and energy. Policy is analyzed as the resultant of political structure and process, societal values and perceived benefits and costs. Specific disciplinary perspectives and value conflicts are emphasized. Prerequisites: any two of ECOM 202 Microeconomics, ENVM 112 Intro to Environmental Studies, POSM 215 American National Government, equivalent, or permission of instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Assoc. Prof. Jon Reisman

POSM 305 **ASYN** **Environmental Policy** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

A systematic analysis of U.S. environmental policy focusing on air and water quality, land use, hazardous wastes and energy. Policy is analyzed as the resultant of political structure and process, societal values and perceived benefits and costs. Specific disciplinary perspectives and value conflicts are emphasized. Prerequisites: any two of ECOM 202 Microeconomics, ENVM 112 Intro to Environmental Studies, POSM 215 American National Government, equivalent, or permission of instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Assoc. Prof. Jon Reisman

PSYM 110 **ASYN** **Introduction to Psychology** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

An introduction to the scientific study of behavior including a survey of all the major areas of inquiry pursued by psychologists—history, methods, physiological aspects, perception, learning, memory, cognition, emotion, motivation, consciousness, personality, abnormal behavior and therapies, and social processes. Unless otherwise noted, this course is a prerequisite to all other psychology courses. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Asst. Prof. Jordan Litman

PSYM 223 **ASYN** **Sports Psychology** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

Sport psychology is the study of the mental and behavioral factors that influence or are influenced by participation in sport, exercise and physical activity. This course will survey theory and research on sport psychology including such major areas as: (1) The history of sport psychology; (2) the application of principles of learning and behavior; (3) motivation and social psychology; (4) the assessment of individual differences in personality of athletes; and (5) principles of coaching and the psychology of exercise and fitness. Prerequisites: ENG 101 Composition and PSY 110 Introduction to Psychology or permission of instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Asst. Prof. Jordan Litman

PSYM 303 **ASYN** **Understanding Testing** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

This course will describe the nature of tests as employed in psychological, educational, career development, and health settings. Topics covered will include: why we test; what makes for a "good" test; what is meant by reliability and validity of a test, and how these are created and determined; what makes a test biased; the differences between the concepts of and testing for intelligence, achievement, aptitudes, personality, interests, interests, and relationship issues; the basic statistical concepts used in test construction and scoring; and specific well-known tests. Prerequisite: PSY 110 or permission of instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Prof. Dean Frost

PSYM 319 **ASYN** **Psychology of Appearance** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

This course will explore the appearance-related concerns and distress which are experienced by a significant proportion of people with visible disfigurements (i.e., amputations, obesity) as well as those with non-visible disorders such as Body Dysmorphic Disorder (BDD), Anorexia, and Bulimia. The course will be a comprehensive summary and critical evaluation of research and understanding concerning the psychology of appearance; along with an historical review of research to date; a review of the methodological challenges for researchers in this area; an overview of current understanding of appearance-related concerns and distress in the general population and among those with acquired or congenital disfigurements such as burns, clefts of the lip and/or palate, scarring and acne. We will explore the psychosocial factors which are protective and those which exacerbate distress; offer a vision of a comprehensive approach to support; and examine how interventions may meet the needs of those affected. This course provides essential reading for psychology students, health and clinical psychologists, health professionals, employers and policy makers interested in the ramifications of appearance concerns. Prerequisite Psy 110 Intro to Psychology. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Lecturer Charles Rayner

PSYM 322 **ITV** **Physiological Psychology** **Th 4:00-6:45PM**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

This course is an introduction to the anatomical and physiological bases of behavior. Topics include: learning, sensation, motivation, emotion, and psychopathology as revealed by a physiological perspective. Prerequisites: BIOM 111 Zoology, MATM 113 Statistics, PSYM 110 Introduction to Psychology or the equivalents; and Junior Standing; or permission of instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Assoc. Prof. Lois-Ann Kuntz

videoconferencing at some UMS campuses, most UC Centers, UC of Bangor, Belfast Hutchinson Center, and Lewiston-Auburn College. Review tapes unavailable. Prerequisite: SED 310 or permission of instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR 3. Lecturer Heather Ball

SEDM 380 **ASYN** **Teaching Students with Autism Spectrum Disorders** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

Students in this course will gain knowledge of the IDEA and DSM-IV definitions of Autism Spectrum Disorders, prevalence and possible causes. Characteristics, teaching strategies, adaptations, and related disorders secondary to Autism Spectrum Disorders will be explored. Prerequisite: SEDM 310 Dimens in Exceptionality or equivalent or permission of instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Lecturer Kenny Bourgoin

SOCM 114 **ASYN** **Introduction to Sociology** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

The study of the concepts, theories and research findings of the discipline of sociology. Stressed are the following concepts, institutions and topics: culture, society, socialization, the family, social stratification, inter-group relations, deviance, demography, collective behavior, popular culture, social movements, and social change. On-site exams required. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Lecturer Pamela Feeney

SOCM 208 **ASYN** **Sociology of the Family** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

An introduction to the sociological study of the family to include the major theories found in current literature. Cross-cultural and sub-cultural perspectives are explored. There is also discussion of power relationships, role development, socialization of children, family reorganization, and malfunction and adaptation within the family structure. Prerequisite: SOC 114 Intro to Sociology or the equivalent, or permission of the instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Asst. Prof. Robert Hauhart

SOCM 219 **ASYN** **Topics in Sociology: Crime and Society** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

This is an introductory course in the nature, causes, prevention, and treatment of crime in modern American society. The components and mission of the criminal justice system are analyzed in light of existing constitutional protections and the multi-cultural diversity of 21st century America. Attention is directed toward the role of politics, the media, and race and social class. Major American institutions including the police, the courts, and corrections as well as major criminal justice initiatives like the 'War on Drugs' are examined. Prerequisites: SOC 114 Introduction to Sociology or equivalent, or permission of instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Asst. Prof. Robert Hauhart

SOCM 319 **ASYN** **Sociology of Poverty** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

This course will provide an overview of international and national trends with a focus on poverty in rural Maine. Theories of poverty, its definition, nature, and causes will be reviewed from a sociological perspective, exploring the intersections of gender, race, ethnicity, and class as they impact those in poverty. Students will engage in a self-reflexive process, identifying their own class status and the ways in which class has enhanced or constrained personal development. In this course, poverty is viewed as a socially structured phenomenon, influenced by social, economic, and political forces in historical context. Online computer use required. Computers are available at centers statewide and at sites by appointment. On-site exams required. Prerequisite: SOCM 114 Intro to Sociology or equivalent or permission of instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Lecturer Pamela Feeney

WSTM 110 **ASYN** **Introduction to Women's Studies** **ONLINE**
UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

This course introduces Women's Studies as an interdisciplinary field of study focused upon gender identity and the material conditions of women in the past, present, and future. Toward this end, readings include

autobiographical essays by Women's Studies scholars, feminist literature from around the world and throughout history, and examples of current Women's Studies in the biological, geographical, and historical fields. Weekly writing includes participation in on-line discussion forums and brief writing exercises. Key questions: What did and does our educational system teach about women? Who were some of our 'lost sisters' of history? When is being a woman or man a matter of nature and when of nurture? What are women's lives like, locally and globally, today? Prerequisite: ENG 101 or permission of instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Lecturer Freda Hauser.

WSTM 410 **ASYN** **Feminist Theory**

ONLINE

UMM semester begins 1/20/2010

Feminist theory sprouts from a key question: What should the societal relationship between women and men be like? In order to join in this conversation, students will read and exchange writing about feminist utopias and dystopias in fictional and theoretical genres. Topics will include the relative meanings of womanhood and manhood; gender in relation to race, class, and power; personal and political politics; and feminist activism's relationship to feminist theory, as well as a break to discuss friendship and romance. Prerequisites: WST 110 or permission of instructor. <http://www.courses.maine.edu> CR3. Lecturer Freda Hauser