

**New Course Proposal Form  
Curriculum Committee  
Fontbonne University**

Date Submitted:*March 30, 2009*

Name of Department: *Human Environmental Sciences*

Title of Course:*Giving Meaning to the Melting Pot: Tracing the Immigrant Experience Through Food*

Course Number: *HES 293*                      Credit Hours:*3*

Frequency of course offering: *dedicated semester FL09*

Proposed Date of Implementation:*Fall 2009*

Required:

Yes  
 No

Elective:

Yes  
 No

Please complete the following items in the order presented and attach them to this form:

1. Catalog description of the course:

*This course invites students to uncover 20th century immigration in the US through an exploration of food patterns and practices. Food behavior is inherently linked to culture, society, politics and economics. The role of food patterns, practices and traditions as a means to preserve immigrant cultures, while influencing American culture and customs will be explored. The impact of dietary acculturation on the health outcomes of specific immigrant populations will also be examined.*

2. Prerequisites:

*none*

3. Rationale for adding the course:

*This course is being developed for the dedicated semester. It will also serve as GER valuing.*

4. Does proposed course replace current one:

Yes  
 No

If Yes, which one and why?

5. Estimate the enrollment each semester of offering: *10-15*

6. Financial Impact

Faculty \$2817 paid as overload from PT department budget on a one time basis.

New library holdings:none

Equipment none

Audio-Visual / software none

7. Any additional information that may be helpful to the committee in making its decision.