



NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM
H. Martin Lancaster, President

June 26, 2006

RESPONSE DEADLINE: July 17, 2006

MEMORANDUM

TO: Select Chief Academic Officers

FROM: Delores A. Parker, Vice President
Academic and Student Services

SUBJECT: Requested Revision in *Common Course Library* Courses

The System Office has received a request to revise the following courses contained in the *Common Course Library*:

PHM 110 Introduction to Pharmacy
PHM 115 Pharmacy Calculations

Attached is a form requesting your approval or disapproval of the proposed changes. ***Please complete and return the form to Jennifer Frazelle by July 17, 2006.*** You may fax your response to (919) 807-7164. Once the responses have been received at the System Office, the requests will be presented to the Curriculum Review Committee for action at their September meeting.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. If you have questions, please contact Jennifer Frazelle at (919) 807-7120 or frazellej@nccommunitycolleges.edu.

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Attachment

c: Select Presidents
Jennifer Frazelle

S06-024
Email

College Recommendation
Course Revision Request
PHM 110 Introduction to Pharmacy
PHM 115 Pharmacy Calculations

Current Course Information:

PHM 110	Introduction to Pharmacy	3	0	0	3
Prerequisites:	None				
Corequisites:	PHM 111 and PHM 115				

This course introduces pharmacy practice and the technician's role in a variety of pharmacy settings. Topics include medical terminology and abbreviations, drug delivery systems, law and ethics, prescription and medication orders, and the health care system. Upon completion, students should be able to explain the role of pharmacy technicians, read and interpret drug orders, describe quality assurance, and utilize pharmacy references.

PHM 115	Pharmacy Calculations	3	0	0	3
Prerequisites:	None				
Corequisites:	PHM 110 and PHM 111				

This course provides an introduction to the metric, avoirdupois, and apothecary systems of measurement and the calculations used in pharmacy practice. Topics include ratio and proportion, dosage determinations, percentage preparations, reducing and enlarging formulas, dilution and concentration, aliquots, specific gravity and density, and flow rates. Upon completion, students should be able to correctly perform calculations required to properly prepare a medication order.

Proposed Corequisite: *None*

Rationale of Requesting College: Removing the corequisite allows students to take the program at a slower pace. It also allows basic courses to be offered more than once a year. These students are more likely to be retained.

College Recommendation

PHM 110 Introduction to Pharmacy

_____ We **recommend** the deletion of the corequisite for **PHM 110** for the following reasons(s):

_____ We concur with the rationale of the requesting college

_____ Other: _____

_____ We **do not recommend** the deletion of the corequisite for **PHM 110** for the following reason(s):

_____ We do not offer **PHM 110** and wish to decline from making a recommendation.

PHM 115 Pharmacy Calculations

_____ We **recommend** the deletion of the corequisite for **PHM 115** for the following reasons(s):

_____ We concur with the rationale of the requesting college

_____ Other: _____

_____ We **do not recommend** the deletion of the corequisite for **PHM 115** for the following reason(s):

_____ We do not offer **PHM 115** and wish to decline from making a recommendation.

College: _____

Signature of President: _____ **Date:** _____

Please return this form by **July 17, 2006** to:

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