Submit original with signatures + 1 copy + electronic copy to Faculty Senate (Box 7500).

See http://www.uaf.edu/uafgov/faculty-senate/curriculum/course-degree-procedures-/ for a complete description of the rules governing curriculum & course changes.

TRIAL COURSE OR NEW COURSE PROPOSAL

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Prepared by	Peter A. DeCaro			Phone		474-	474-6799		
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12. COURSE REPEATABILITY:						
Is this course repeatable for credit? YES NO X						
Justification: Indicate why the course can be repeated (for example, the course follows a different theme each time).						
How many times may the course be repeated for credit?	TIMES					
If the course can be repeated for credit, what is the maximum number of credit hours that may be earned for this course?	CREDITS					
If the course can be repeated with <u>variable</u> credit, what is the maximum number of credit hours that may be earned for this course?	CREDITS					
13. GRADING SYSTEM: Specify only one. Note: Later changing the grading system for a course constitutes a Major Course Change. LETTER: XX PASS/FAIL:						
14. PREREQUISITES ENGL F111X or permission of instructor						
These will be required before the student is allowed to enroll in the course						
15. SPECIAL RESTRICTIONS, CONDITIONS NONE						
16. PROPOSED COURSE FEES \$0.00						
Has a memo been submitted through your dean to the Provost for fee approval? Yes/No						
17. PREVIOUS HISTORY Has the course been offered as special topics or trial course previously? Yes/No						
If yes, give semester, year, course #,						
etc.:						

18. ESTIMATED IMPACT

WHAT IMPACT, IF ANY, WILL THIS HAVE ON BUDGET, FACILITIES/SPACE, FACULTY, ETC.

This course will have minimal impact on faculty workloads. The course will be rotated amongst faculty as part of their regular workload.

19. LIBRARY COLLECTIONS

Have you contacted the library collection development officer (kljensen@alaska.edu, 474-6695) with regard to the adequacy of library/media collections, equipment, and services available for the proposed course? If so, give date of contact and resolution. If not, explain why not.

No

Yes

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I reviewed available library resources with Alys Jordan on Jan.2,
2013 . There exist ample resources in the development of
argumentation and its varied venues for students in the library .

20. IMPACTS ON PROGRAMS/DEPTS

What programs/departments will be affected by this proposed action? Include information on the Programs/Departments contacted (e.g., email, memo)

The Philosophy Dept. may potentially be affected. I had a series of emails with Eduardo Wilner about the content of the course and if there would be any conflict with PHI 104. He said there wouldn't be, the contents and approach are compatible. He approved the course proposal as is defined.

21. POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE IMPACTS

Please specify **positive** and **negative** impacts on other courses, programs and departments resulting from the proposed action.

This adds to Philosophy F104 Logic & Reasoning. Dr. Wilner welcomed the course as having a positive affect for students. He did not see it as competition to PHI 104, rather as complementary.

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Signature, Dean, College/School of:

Signature of Provost (if applicable)						
Offerings above the level of approved programs must be approved in advance by the Provost.						
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ATTACH COMPLETE SYLLABUS (as part of this application). Note: The guidelines are online: http://www.uaf.edu/uafgov/faculty-senate/curriculum/course-degree-procedures-/uaf-syllabus-requirements/

The Faculty Senate curriculum committees will review the syllabus to ensure that each of the items listed below are included. If items are missing or unclear, the proposed course (or changes to it) may be denied.

Syllabus CHECKLIST for all UAF courses

During the first week of class, instructors will distribute a course syllabus. Although modifications may be made throughout the semester, this document will contain the following information (as applicable

to the discipline):

1. Course information:

 θ Title, θ number, θ credits, θ prerequisites, θ location, θ meeting time (make sure that contact hours are in line with credits).

2. Instructor (and if applicable, Teaching Assistant) information:

 θ Name, θ office location, θ office hours, θ telephone, θ email address.

3. Course readings/materials:

- θ Course textbook title, θ author, θ edition/publisher.
- θ Supplementary readings (indicate whether θ required or θ recommended) and
- θ any supplies required.

4. Course description:

- θ Content of the course and how it fits into the broader curriculum;
- θ Expected proficiencies required to undertake the course, if applicable.
- θ Inclusion of catalog description is strongly recommended, and
- θ Description in syllabus must be consistent with catalog course description.

5. θ Course Goals (general), and (see #6)

6. θ Student Learning Outcomes (more specific)

7. Instructional methods:

θ Describe the teaching techniques (eg: lecture, case study, small group discussion, private instruction, studio instruction, values clarification, games, journal writing, use of Blackboard, audio/video conferencing, etc.).

8. Course calendar:

 θ A schedule of class topics and assignments must be included. Be specific so that it is clear that the instructor has thought this through and will not be making it up on the fly (e.g. it is not adequate to say "lab". Instead, give each lab a title that describes its content). You may call the outline Tentative or Work in Progress to allow for modifications during the semester.

9. Course policies:

 θ Specify course rules, including your policies on attendance, tardiness, class participation, make-up exams, and plagiarism/academic integrity.

10. Evaluation:

 θ Specify how students will be evaluated, θ what factors will be included, θ their relative value, and θ how they will be tabulated into grades (on a curve, absolute scores, etc.) θ Publicize UAF regulations with regard to the grades of "C" and below as applicable to this course. (Not required in the syllabus, but may be a convenient way to publicize this.) Faculty Senate Meeting #171: http://www.uaf.edu/uafgov/faculty-senate/meetings/2010-2011-meetings/#171

11. Support Services:

 θ Describe the student support services such as tutoring (local and/or regional) appropriate for the course.

12. Disabilities Services:

The Office of Disability Services implements the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and insures that UAF students have equal access to the campus and course materials.

 θ State that you will work with the Office of Disabilities Services (208 WHITAKER BLDG, 474-5655) to provide reasonable accommodation to students with disabilities.

6/30/2011

University of Alaska Fairbanks **Communication Department COMM F210 Argumentation and Critical Thinking**

Professor:

Dr. Peter A. DeCaro

Title:

Argumentation and Critical Thinking

Meeting Times: Mon & Wed 11:30-1:00 PM

Place:

TBA

Office:

503G Gruening Building

Office hours:

MTWR 1:00-2:00, and by appointment

Office phone:

907-474-6799

email:padecaro@alaska.edu

Course Description

3 credits (ENGL F111X of permission of instructor)

This course is an introduction to argumentation, emphasizing critical thinking and reasoning. Our focus will be on the process of constructing and evaluating sound arguments based on reasoning, evidence and strategy, and on the analysis of legal and political argumentation and persuasion.

Student Learning Outcomes

At the conclusion of this course, the student will be able to:

- 1. Define argument and critical thinking.
- 2. Recognize various types of reasoning, and explain differences and similarities among them.
- 3. Outline and organize an argument.
- 4. Explain how culture, context/occasion, the audience and the arguer influence reasoning and argumentation.
- 5. Develop and deliver an argument with a claim, evidence, and conclusion.
- 6. Identify common errors in reasoning (fallacies).
- 7. Differentiate between claims of fact, policy, and value.
- 8. Apply models of argument to analyze arguments.
- 9. Evaluate an argument in terms of evidence and reasoning.
- 10. Respond to or refute an argument.

Required Text:

Rybacki, K.C. & Rybacki, D.J. (2004). Advocacy and Opposition: An Introduction to Argumentation. 5th ed. New York: Pearson.

Reading Supplement – as assigned.

American Disability Act Statement: Any personal learning accommodation that may be needed by the student to be successful in this course must be made known to the instructor immediately. Verification is required through the Office of Disability Services (208 WHIT 474-5655). The instructor will work with ODS to provide reasonable accommodation to students with disabilities.

The Writing Center: is available for students to improve their writing skills. The center is located on the eighth floor of the Gruening Building. Students can receive help at the center at any stage in their writing process, from brainstorming to final editing. Tutors are available for one-on-one sessions and can help students with grammar. spelling, punctuation, organization, and style.

Cell phones - please put ALL cell phones on vibrate, or turn them off, and in your backpack, purse, etc.. Cell phone disruptions will be cause for permanent removal from class. Please do not use your cell phones or electronic devices while in class or have them on your desk or in hand. Cell phone disruptions will be cause for permanent removal from class. NO LAPTOPS. No headsets. NO MP3's, NO IPAD"S, IPODS, etc. If you are expecting an emergency cell phone call or use your cell phone alarm clock to remind you to take prescription medication, please notify me at the beginning of the class. Please refrain from using any electronic device while in the classroom unless first discussed with the instructor.

Grading:

Your grade will be based on:

Quizzes	10@20 =	200	pts.
Midterm Exam	Ŭ	225	pts.
Argument Paper		125	pts.
Refutation Paper		125	pts.
Refutation delivery		50	pts.
Final Exam		225	pts
<u>Participation</u>		50	pts
Total		1000	pts.

Grade criteria:

Grade criteria: +/- grading system based on percentage of total points

A + = 97-100

A = 93-96

A-=90-92

B+=87-90

B = 83-86

B-=80-82

C+=77-80

C = 73-76

C - 73-70

C-=70-72

D+=67-70

D = 63-66

D = 60 - 62

F = 59 and below

COURSE GRADING POLICIES:

Meaning of Grades: For grades to be meaningful, a C should be average and high grades must be reserved for exceptional work. C's (not B's or A's) will be given for work that is acceptable and of average college-level quality. The grade of C, therefore, does not indicate any shortcoming and may be the most common grade given. Grading will be done as follows:

- A: Represents achievement that is outstanding relative to the level necessary to meet course requirements. This work is superior in every respect and represents the highest level of achievement. Its quality is good enough that even though there is still room for improvement, it would be unreasonable to expect a college student to do better.
- B: Represents achievement that is significantly above the level necessary to meet course requirements. Not only were all the basic expectations met, they exceeded minimum expected quality levels. This work probably showed one or more of the following characteristics: excellent understanding of the class material, excellent application of theory to practice, unusual thoroughness in thought and preparation.
- C: Represents achievement that meets the course requirements in every respect. This score does not indicate any shortcoming. All the work was done adequately and completely, and the work showed basic understanding and mastery of the course material.
- D: Represents achievement that is worthy of credit even though it does not fully meet course requirements. While there was merit to what was done, there were also deficiencies that meant the work did not fully meet the minimal expectations.
- F: Represents performance that fails to meet the course requirements and is unworthy of credit. This work shows serious deficiencies in regard to the expectations for the assignment.

Course Expectations

Examinations: EXAMINATIONS may include multiple choice, matching, true-false, fill-in-the blank, and short essay questions, and in-class assessments using a combination of testing forms. No provision is made for the "make-up" of missed examinations. I do not make allowances if you planned on vacationing prior to the end of the semester.

COURSE/PROFESSOR POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Attendance: I consider attendance to be extremely important, and I take attendance every class period. Attendance is MANDATORY. I do not distinguish between excused and unexcused absences. You may miss THREE class periods for any reason. On your FOURTH absence, and for each subsequent absence your final grade will be lowered by one letter grade. On your SIXTH absence you will fail the course. Student Athletes/University Travel: The attendance policy still applies to you, however, I do make allowance for official university travel. You must see me immediately at the start of the semester to discuss this policy if you will be traveling with the university this semester. You must give me your away game calendar at the beginning of the semester to be afforded consideration.

Tardy/Leaving Early. I will always start class right on time. I feel like what I have to say is important, and I find it extremely disruptive and rude to have any student walking in late. I take attendance at the beginning of class. You must be here on time and stay until I dismiss the class. If you are later than 10 minutes please understand that you have been marked absent. It is your responsibility to find out what you have missed when you are absent. Email is not an appropriate vehicle for me to catch you up on what you missed. Find out from a trusted colleague. You may not make up work that you miss while you are absent unless you have made arrangements with me first.

Plagiarism/cheating: I do not tolerate any form of plagiarism or cheating. If you plagiarize/cheat, you will receive a grade of F for the course. If you do not know the criteria that constitutes plagiarism/cheating, I will explain it to you, plus you can read it in the "Student Code of Conduct" in the University catalogue. Alleged violations of the Code of Conduct will be reviewed in accordance with procedures specified in regents' policy, university regulations, and UAF rules and procedures.

Incomplete Grade Assignment: I do not issue incomplete grades.

American Disability Act Statement: Any personal learning accommodation that may be needed by the student to be successful in this course must be made known to the instructor immediately. Verification is required through the Office of Disability Services (208 WHIT 474-5655). The instructor will work with ODS to provide reasonable accommodation to students with disabilities.

Extra Credit: I do not offer extra credit so please do not ask for it.

All Written Assignments or Papers: Unless other directions are given, ALL PAPERS MUST BE TYPED (OR COMPUTER-PRINTED), DOUBLE-SPACED, WITH ONE INCH MARGINS ON WHITE, NON-ERASABLE PAPER. NO "SCRIPT" FONTS ARE ACCEPTABLE. I will not accept hand-written papers. If you use a computer (and you should), please limit yourself to one font and one font size—10 or 12. Use LEFT MARGIN justification. The complete paper should be stapled once in the upper left-hand corner—folders are not acceptable, nor is "saddle-stitching." Papers must have a cover sheet with the student's name, paper title, name of the course, and the date submitted. You should retain an electronic backup, or photocopy, of any written work which is submitted for evaluation. Please DO NOT email your papers. I will not accept emailed papers.

Participation: In a course such as this, your participation is critical. You earn participation points by being in class, being attentive, and participating in class activities.

Quizzes: Quizzes are taken at the beginning of class. Quizzes are over the assigned reading for that day and these quizzes will count towards your final grade. They may be multiple choice, matching, fill in the blank, true/false, short essay or a combination of the afore mentioned.

Papers and Speech: Two papers are required. In the Argument Paper you will develop and compose a compelling argument (proposition) about an issue that resonates with you. This paper will be 4-6 pages. I will give you specific instructions when I make the assignment. In the Refutation paper, you will respond to and refute an argument. Refutation is the rebuttal of a Proposition. This paper will be 4-6 pages. You will present this response orally to the class. Again, I will provide you will detailed instructions at the time that I make the assignment.

My assumption of you the student: You have chosen to attend a university. As such you have made arrangements in your life to put your education at the forefront of your priority list. While you may also work, have a family, pursue other interests, etc, you dedicate yourself and your time to doing the best you can in your academic endeavors.

What is expected of you as a student in my class? The University is designed to allow all students, regardless of age, class, gender, race, religion, sexual orientation, ethnicity, or disability, to enjoy the benefits of a college education. As a student in my class you are expected to treat your colleagues and myself with tolerance and respect. I will not tolerate any actions, in-class communication, or assignment topics that are designed to be disrespectful or threatening to others. Similarly, I expect you to be on time, prepared, and attentive during class. All material gone over in class is important. You are responsible for taking notes. You may not work on other class work in my class. If these policies are something you cannot accept, I highly recommend that you find another course to enroll in. Continuation in this course implies your agreement with these policies.

What can you expect from me? As your instructor it is my intention and responsibility to treat each of you fairly and with the utmost respect. Please remember that teaching itself is a learning process and that I look forward to learning from each of my students. I will bring to this class certain perspectives and ideas that are unique. Likewise, in an interactive class such as this, you are always encouraged to make your own contributions.

The instructor reserves the right to modify the syllabus.

January

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Introduction to course. Discuss the scope of Argumentation and Critical Thinking and its place in the education process. Discuss course syllabus. Discuss instructor expectations of students and student expectations of the instructor and the course.

Assignment Readings for January 22, Ch.#1: The Domain of Argumentation: Elements of Argumentation, p. 4-11, Elements of Critical Decision Making, p. 12-23.

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Alaska Civil Rights Day, no class

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Quiz#1

Discuss Assignment Readings from Ch.#1

Assigned Readings for January 27, Ch.#2: Critical Appraisal of Argumentation: Argumentation and Being Reasonable, p. 26-30; The Bases of Reason in Argumentation, p. 31-35; Spheres, p. 36-38.

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Quiz #2

Discuss Argumentation Paper assignment Discuss Assigned Readings from Ch.#2

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Continue Discussion Ch.#2

Assigned Readings for February 3, Ch.#3: Critical Approaches to Argumentation: Traditional Criteria, p. 41-46; Nontraditional Criteria, p. 48-54; Alternative Dispute Resolution, p. 55.

February

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Quiz #3

Discuss Argumentation Paper Assignment

Discuss Assigned Readings from Ch.#3

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Continue Discussion Ch.#3

Assigned Readings for February 10, Ch.#4: Analysis in Argumentation: Critical Analysis to Find a Proposition, p. 58-61; Critical Analysis of a Proposition, p. 62-67; Analysis of Claims, p. 68-69.

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Quiz #4

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