### *INDEV Committee Member Possible Ratings:*

- The proposal **Meets Entirely** if the standard is met with no changes needed.
- The proposal **Meets with Suggested Edits** if minor changes are needed to meet the standard.
- The proposal **Does Not Meet** if major edits are needed or no information is provided pertaining to the standard.

If a rating of **Meets Entirely or Meets with Suggested Edits** is earned, comments are provided through the APPS and faculty need **NOT** attend the INDEV meeting. Therefore, the proposal can be approved online completely or after simple edits are made by the College Rep. or faculty member. Proposals earning a rating of **Does Not Meet** require discussion and the faculty member **IS REQUESTED** to attend the INDEV meeting to discuss necessary edits.

Faculty/instructors are encouraged to work with the **Center for Teaching Excellence** to ensure all course materials are accessible for students with disabilities. A syllabus template for online courses is provided at https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/cte/teaching_resources/syllabus_templates/index.php

Common reasons proposals are returned from the Curricula and Courses Committee are available at https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/provost/planning/academicprograms/courses/curriculandcoursestips.pdf

*To expedite the review process, faculty/instructors are encouraged to provide syllabus components in the order shown below.*

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| 1. Course designator, number and title, credit hours and Carolina Core designation (if applicable) | AFAM 201 – Introduction to African American Studies: Social and Historical Foundations (3 credits)  
GSS – Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding – Social Sciences or appropriate designation |
User-oriented approach to the study of financial accounting and reporting topics related to business decisions. |
| 3. Prerequisite(s). If there is no prerequisite, note that no prerequisite is required. | Prerequisite: ENGL 101  
or  
Prerequisite: None |
| 4. a) List of learning outcomes which are measurable and stated as observable learner behaviors using action verbs; **(NOTE: Learning outcomes for Carolina Core courses may not be changed through this committee)**  
b) For 500-600 level courses: InDev suggests adding at least one learning outcome for graduate credit which must be connected to the additional work product. | a) The students will (or will be able to):  
1) explain three examples of professional etiquette in communication;  
2) articulate two strategies for facilitating effective group process using the Social Change Model of Leadership;  
3) calculate . . .  
4) evaluate . . .  

*See Revised Bloom’s Taxonomy Action Verbs: http://www.apu.edu/live_data/files/333/blooms_taxonomy_action_verbs.pdf*  
b) Graduate students will be able to:  
5) Analyze appropriate literature to develop a literature review based on a provided topic.  
*This learning outcome connects directly to the Literature Review Assignment all graduate students must complete for full graduate credit.|
| 5. Statement verifying learning outcomes are equivalent to those of a face-to-face (F2F) version of the course | All learning outcomes in this Distributed Learning course are equivalent to face-to-face (F2F) version of this course. |
All readings/materials comply with copyright/fair use policies. |
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| 7. | a) Overview of how the course will be conducted; and  
b) Communication/feedback turnaround time on discussion board postings, emails, assignments, etc. | a) This course is an asynchronous online course. Students will work at different times from different locations and will not be required to attend any face-to-face (F2F) or synchronous meetings at the same time. The Project Alert software must be utilized for the projects in this class. All students must download if from the publisher’s website at https://project.alert.software/download.html  
b) All discussion board posts and emails will be responded to within 24 hours. Feedback will be provided on all assignments within 48 hours. |

| 8. | a) Specific technologies/software/programs to be used in the course; and  
b) Minimal student technical requirements/skills. | a) Online lectures will be provided through Adobe Connect Professional. Therefore, students must have access to the Internet to view/hear lectures. No special software is required. Students will also submit all assignments and take all quizzes/tests through Blackboard.  
b) Minimal technical skills are needed in this online course. All work in this course must be completed and submitted online. Therefore, students MUST have consistent and reliable access to a computer and the Internet. Before starting this course, students must feel comfortable doing the following. The minimal technical skills students should have include the ability to:  
- organize and save electronic files,  
- use email and attached files,  
- check email and Blackboard daily, and  
- download and upload documents.  
If you have tech-related questions or need help with the software, please contact the Division of Information technology (DoIT) at https://www.uts.sc.edu/support/servicedesk.shtmlhttps://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/division_of_information_technology/index.php  
c) [If applicable] The secure online proctoring service, ProctorU, lets you schedule exam times and locations that fit your schedule. ProctorU verifies your identity and records your testing session. Each testing session is reviewed by a certified proctor to ensure integrity. You will be required to pay an $8-14 fee for online proctoring, depending on the length of the exam, directly to ProctorU. You must also have access to a computer with a webcam and reliable Internet connection to use ProctorU. |
9. a) Full description and number of major assignments and course activities which correspond to the course learning outcomes and grading policy, 
b) Rubric information; 
c) How tests/quizzes are secured (if applicable); 
d) **Required only for 500-600 level courses:** At least one additional, distinct assignment must be required of graduate students. The additional task must account for at least one letter grade. That is, if the additional task is not completed, the student must not be able to earn an “A” in the course.

   a) Discussion board posts are a significant part of this course. Students are required to post answers to instructor-posted questions each Thursday by 5:00 p.m. and post comments to two peers by the following Tuesday by 5:00 p.m. A full discussion board rubric is provided in Blackboard.

   Five quizzes will be assigned. Each quiz will be based on book chapters and will consist of True/False & Multiple Choice questions. Quizzes will be automatically evaluated. Quiz questions/answers are randomly displayed and drawn from substantial test banks. Students will have 3 opportunities to complete quizzes to achieve a higher score. The highest score will be recorded.

   Two hands-on projects will be assigned. Hands-on projects will be based on multiple book chapters & Project Alert software will be utilized to complete the projects. Students may only complete each hands-on project one time.

b) Complete rubrics will be provided in Blackboard.

c) The final exam will consist of True/False, Multiple Choice and Short Answer questions. The final exam is comprehensive. Exam questions/answers are randomly displayed and drawn from substantial test banks. All online quizzes and tests are secured in Blackboard with a password.

d) Additional graduate student assignment: Graduate students will analyze the current literature and develop a 3-5 page literature review on a topic provided by the professor. This literature review must be word processed in 12 point Arial font and have appropriate APA style formatting. Additional instructions and a complete rubric is provided in Blackboard.

10. a) Grading policy which is clearly stated and includes grading scale, weights of each graded assignment, and explanation of how grades (A-F) will be assigned; and 
b) If course is offered with a Pass/Fail option, how those grades are determined.

   Evaluation Information for Undergraduate Students:
   - Discussion Board (10 @ 10 points each) 100 points
   - Quizzes (5 @ 20 points each) 100 points
   - Analysis Paper (1 @ 150 points) 150 points
   - Hands-on Project (1 @ 400 points) 400 points
   - Final Exam (1 @ 250 points) 250 points
   - Total Points 1000 points

   90-100% = 900 – 1000 points = A
   80-89% = 800 – 899 points = B
   70-79% = 700 – 799 points = C
   60-69% = 600 – 699 points = D
   Below 60% = 0 – 599 points = F

   b) Students enrolled in this course under a Pass/Fail option must achieve at least 700 points in order to earn a “Pass” designation.

11. **Required only for 500-600 level courses:** Different requirements for undergraduate versus graduate credit clearly identified in two distinct grading scales.

   Evaluation Information for Undergraduate Students:
   - Discussion Board 20% 90-100% = A
   - Quizzes 25% 85-89% = B
   - Hand-on Projects 30% 75-84% = C
   - Final Exam 25% 65-74% = D
   - Below 65% = F

   Evaluation Information for Graduate Students:
Graduate level students will complete an additional research project (described previously with other major assignments) resulting in a comprehensive presentation based on a well-developed literature review. The grading scale for graduate level students differs from the undergraduate grading scale and is as follows:

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12. Statement that identifies provisions and resources for students with disabilities

Students with disabilities should contact the Student Disability Resource Center. The contact information is below:
1705 College Street, Close-Hipp Suite 102,
Columbia, SC 29208
Phone: 803.777.6142 Fax: 803.777.6741
Email: sasds@mailbox.sc.edu
Web: [https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/student_disability_resource_center/index.php](https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/student_disability_resource_center/index.php)

These services provide assistance with accessibility and other issues to help those with disabilities be more successful. Additionally, students with should review the information on the Disabilities Services website and communicate with the professor during the first week of class. Other academic support resources may help students be more successful in the course as well.

- Library Services ([http://www.sc.edu/study/libraries_and_collections](http://www.sc.edu/study/libraries_and_collections))
- Writing Center ([http://www.cas.sc.edu/write](http://www.cas.sc.edu/write))
- Carolina Tech Zone ([http://www.sc.edu/technology/techstudents.html](http://www.sc.edu/technology/techstudents.html))

13. Statement with the university’s academic integrity policy and consequences for violating the policy

All students must review the Office of Academic Integrity sanctions. This information may be found at [https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/student_conduct_and_academic_integrity/hearings/hearing_outcomes/honor_code_sanctions/index.php](https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/student_conduct_and_academic_integrity/hearings/hearing_outcomes/honor_code_sanctions/index.php). One or more of the following sanctions may be imposed for Academic Integrity violations: 1) Expulsion from the University; 2) Suspension from the University for a period of no less than one semester; and/or Probation. A combination of the above sanctions may be implemented. It should be noted that submitting someone else’s work is cheating and against the Carolina Code. Cheating, or any other Academic Integrity violations, will result in **failure of the course for all involved parties**. All parties will also be referred to the Office of Academic Integrity for additional retribution. Contact Information: Byrnes 201, 803.777.4333, [https://www.sa.sc.edu/academicintegrity](https://www.sa.sc.edu/academicintegrity)

14. A module-by-module (or unit by unit) schedule for course topics and activities that demonstrates students will be expected to expend approximately the same amount of total time and effort per credit hour as they would in a traditional face-to-face version of the course.

**NOTE:** The University of South Carolina requires that for a traditional, face-to-face
course, students experience at least 700 minutes (14 hours) of classroom instruction with the expectation of twice that amount (at least 28 hours) of supplementary academic work outside the classroom per each credit hour. Courses offered through non-traditional forms of delivery must demonstrate equivalent expectations for student achievement and incorporate an equivalent amount of work.

(Dates) **Module 1: Start Here! Introduction Module**
- Read Syllabus
- Post to and Read Discussion Board Self-Introductions
- Complete Blackboard Orientation Quiz
- Complete Syllabus Quiz
- Watch Module 1 Part 1 Video
- Watch Module 1 Part 2 Video
- Watch Module 1 Part 3 Video
- Watch Module 1 Part 4 Video
- Watch Module 1 Part 5 Video
- Read “Start Here” section
- Read Ch. 1 and Article #1 . . .

(Dates) **Module 2: Communicating Effectively**
- Watch Module 2 Part 1 Video
- Watch Module 2 Part 2 Video
- Watch Module 2 Part 3 Video
- Watch Module 2 Part 4 Video
- Complete Video Summary Questions
- Post “Industry update” video
- Discuss Group Project Topic, Assignment #1 (Group Work)
- Read Ch. 2 and website (URL)
- Study for Quiz #1
- Submit Assignment #1 Group Project Topic
- Take Quiz #1 . . .

Module 3 . . .

**NOTE:** You are not required to tabulate the number of minutes a student would expend on each assigned task. However, for approval purposes, all proposals must reflect continuous and ongoing instructional time similar to that of a traditional F2F course. Similarly, best practices in online and blended course design call for planning all activities you would like for a student to complete, whether equivalent to “in-class” or “out-of-class” work. A CTE Instructional Designer can help you in planning your course. Planning fully now will save you time later when you build the course in Blackboard.

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<td>15. A “Justification for Distributed Delivery Offering” statement briefly explains the</td>
<td>This course is of high interest to students as a general elective and is a pre-requisite for a higher-level departmental course. The department is currently unable to teach enough face-to-face sections to meet the course demand. Providing the course online will allow the department to offer larger sections, not be bound by physical</td>
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benefits of developing a Distributed Learning version of this course

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<td>classroom space, and allow more students to complete the course. The course materials incorporate basic accessibility features, provide for appropriate learning activities and allow for appropriate interaction.</td>
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16. An “Identification of Provisions for Student-to-Instructor (S2I), Student-to-Student (S2S), and Student-to-Content (S2C) Interactions” briefly explains how each type of interaction has been appropriately incorporated within the course.

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<td>Student-to-Instructor (S2I) Interaction: Students listen/view lectures online via voice-over PowerPoint presentations and interact with the professor through discussion boards. The professor will post weekly prompts and post comments to students’ postings. The professor will post weekly announcements, provide individual feedback to students, and hold online office hours with Adobe Connect.</td>
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