Spring 2026 Experimental & Special Topics Course Descriptions

EDUC 394 -01 – Interprofessional Suicide Prevention -Instr. – Brian Rider   **3 credit hours**
This course addresses multi-level influences on suicide and its prevention through an interprofessional approach. Topics covered include prevention-related ethical issues, terminology, attitudes and social norms, vulnerable populations, risk/protective factors, and mental health services and public health approaches to suicide prevention.

EDUC 494-99 - Clinical Teaching Practicum-Instructor – Tanya Judd   **3 credit hours**
Twelve-week supervised teaching in classroom setting in the licensure band/content are under the guidance of a licensed teacher or administrator and college supervisor. Online and face to face observations and meetings with college supervisor for the purpose of feedback and assessment. Seminar discussion with teacher candidates and course instructor scheduled weekly throughout the experience.

MUSC 194-01 – Rock Band Ensemble – Instructor, Eli Chambers   **1 credit hour**
Students will use ensemble performance, independent practice/research, and critical listening as applied studies of Rock music, and of how this music is both a product of and influence upon interdisciplinary artistic media and intersectional cultural understanding.

SMGT 294-01 – Lead in Athletics – Instructor, Zack Votra   **3 credit hours**
This course explores the principles and practices of effective leadership within the context of athletics. Through a combination of readings, class discussions, and practical application, students will develop a deeper understanding of leadership styles, team dynamics, communication, and the role of identity in shaping leadership perspectives.

MATH 350 -1 – Top: Graph Theory – Matthew Menzel   **3 credit hours**
Graph Theory is often defined to be the study of graphs, trees and networks, but more generally it is the study of connections. For a graph, vertices represent a collection of objects, and edges or arcs define which and how vertices are connected to each other. This course will use a problem-oriented approach to motivate many key ideas and results through inquiry. Topics to be discussed will include bipartite graphs, planar graphs and Euler's formula, Hamilton and Euler paths, coloring problems, and independence. We also will consider algorithms for finding minimum-weight spanning trees, shortest paths, and maximum network flow.

SMGT 481-01 – Top: College Athletics - Instructor – Rick Smith   **3 credit hours**
This course will cover topics in college athletics including marketing, compliance and APR, governance, Title IX, NIL, and more.