College of Agricultural and Life Sciences

Proposed Catalog Changes

Effective Term (unless otherwise noted) = Summer 2016

PLANT, SOILS AND ENTOMOLOGICAL SCIENCES

1. Add the following course:

**CORS 233 From Food to Weapons: How Humans Use Insects (3 cr)**

Throughout much of North America, insects are typically viewed as pests that stand in the way of human activity. However, insects have played (and continue to play) vital roles in the development of human behavior. While the course is designed to provide basic information on entomology as a scientific discipline and strengthen student knowledge about scientific inquiry, the course will also explore the use of insects by multiple human societies in such topics as Human Nutrition and Agriculture, Religion, International Trade and Environmental Concerns, and Warfare. The goal of the course is to get students to use scientific understanding of the organisms and think beyond traditional assumptions and biases. Because insects are the most diverse group of animals on the planet, it is important to understand how and why they have helped shape human behaviors and societies.

Available via distance: No

Geographical Area Availability: Moscow

Rationale: Dr. Cook has been teaching one course per semester. This fall he does not have a scheduled course and it fits into his teaching load. There will be no added workload to anyone else in the department.