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ACADEMIC DEAN AND PROVOST INSTRUCTION 1531.50B

From: Academic Dean and Provost

Subj: ACADEMIC COURSES WITH 28X and 48X DESIGNATORS

Ref: (a) ACDEANINST 5420.20C

1. Purpose. To clarify the use of academic course numbers in the 280-289 and 480-489 series and to establish procedures for introducing such courses in the curriculum.

2. Cancellation. ACDEANINST 1531.50A. No special markings appear because this instruction is a complete revision and should be read in its entirety.

3. Background

a. Reference (a) establishes procedures for the review of proposed courses and other curricular changes. The Superintendent's Executive Board acts upon the recommendations of the Academic Dean and Provost who is advised by the committees described in reference (a).

b. The purpose of designating a course with a number in the 28X or 48X series is to indicate that it is temporary, with a life of at most two semesters, or is a seminar or special topics course whose content will change from year to year. Departments may use 28X or 48X courses to experiment before proposing a permanent addition to the curriculum. Departments may also offer 28X or 48X courses that take advantage of the special expertise of a temporary faculty member or accommodate the special interests of one or several midshipmen. The introduction of such courses will follow a process less demanding than is the case for permanent additions to the curriculum.

c. Credits will be associated with courses in the 28X or 48X series according to the following.

XX285 and XX286	3-0-3	Lower level special topics
XX481 and XX482	1-0-1	Upper level seminars
XX483 and XX484	2-0-2	Upper level seminars, special topics
XX485 and XX486	3-0-3	Upper level special topics
XX487 and XX488	4-0-4	Upper level special topics

4. Action

a. Department Chairs who desire to offer 28X or 48X courses will request approval from the Academic Dean and Provost via their Division Directors prior to Preregistration for the semester in which the course is to be offered. Since elective humanities-social science courses are

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part of the core requirement for graduation, 28X or 48X courses for which humanities-social science credit is to be given must also receive a positive endorsement from the Core Curriculum Committee. Approval for trial or experimental courses will not extend beyond two semesters.

b. The Registrar will not include 28X or 48X courses in listings of courses offered or the schedule of courses without authorization from the Academic Dean and Provost.

c. Since the contents of any 28X or 48X course cannot be permanent, Chairs will not describe the contents of 28X or 48X courses in the Naval Academy catalog, Majors Program booklets, or other information about their majors. Departments may allow 28X or 48X courses to satisfy elective requirements within their majors.

d. Reference (a) will be followed when changing a 28X or 48X course to a permanent offering.

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