**PROGRAM CHANGES**

WEBER STATE UNIVERSITY

**Submission Date: 1/21/2015**

**Submitter Name: Janet Oja**

**College: Dumke College of Health Professions**

**Department**: Medical Laboratory Sciences

**Program Title: Medical Laboratory Sciences (BS)**

Check all that apply:

\_\_X New course(s) required for major, minor, emphasis, or concentration.

\_\_\_Modified course(s) required for major, minor, emphasis, or concentration.

\_\_\_Credit hour change(s) required for major, minor, emphasis, or concentration.

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\_\_\_\_Program name change.

\_\_\_\_Deletion of required course(s).

\_\_\_\_Program mode of delivery/format change (Graduate Programs ONLY)

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**JUSTIFICATION:** This course will provide MLS students with clinical laboratory immunology theory and laboratory practices necessary for a career in clinical laboratory sciences. MLS graduates are required to pass a national certification exam in order to work in a clinical lab setting. Data pulled from 2007-2012 ASCP certification exam scores statistically show that WSU MLS BS students fall significantly below the national average for the laboratory immunology portion of the exam. The MLS department hired a clinical immunologist, Dr. Matthew Nicholaou in 2012. He created a 4 credit hour course, MLS 3810 Clinical Laboratory Immunology and Virology including a clinical laboratory section, with hopes of improving these scores. This course has been offered experimentally for the last 2 years and we have seen an increase in our overall certification scores and in student satisfaction evaluations. The clinical lab’s need for MLS graduates with a basic understanding and clinical application of such burgeoning techniques as flow cytometry, molecular diagnostics and in situ tissue testing requires clinical immunology expertise, which the MLS department now has with the hiring of Dr. Nicholaou. The majority of MLS programs across the country teach Immunology as part of their core curriculum, including the University of Utah and Brigham Young University, so the decision to add clinical immunology to Weber State University’s MLS BS program makes sense. The National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS) is the WSU MLS department’s accrediting agency and is scheduling a re-accreditation site visit February 2015 under new guidelines. Immunology is a required course based on these NAACLS guidelines and is to include “principles and methodologies, performance of assays, problem-solving, troubleshooting techniques, interpretation of clinical procedures and results, statistical approaches to data evaluation, and continuous assessment of laboratory services for all major areas practices in the contemporary clinical laboratory.” (NAACLS Standard 22)

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| **Major Course Requirements for BS Degree**  **Core Medical Lab Courses Required (33 credit hours)**   * [MLS 1113 - Introduction to Medical Laboratory Practices](http://catalog.weber.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=7&poid=2843&returnto=1238) **Credits:** **(4)** * [MLS 1114 - Principles of Hematology and Hemostasis](http://catalog.weber.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=7&poid=2843&returnto=1238) **Credits:** **(4)** * [MLS 2210 - Principles of Immunohematology](http://catalog.weber.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=7&poid=2843&returnto=1238) **Credits:** **(5)** * [MLS 2211 - Principles of Clinical Chemistry I](http://catalog.weber.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=7&poid=2843&returnto=1238) **Credits:** **(5)** * [MLS 2212 - Principles of Clinical Microbiology I](http://catalog.weber.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=7&poid=2843&returnto=1238) **Credits:** **(4)** * [MLS 2213 - Principles of Clinical Chemistry II](http://catalog.weber.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=7&poid=2843&returnto=1238) **Credits:** **(5)** * [MLS 2214 - 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Did this program change receive unanimous approval within the Department? \_X\_Yes\_\_ If not, what are the major concerns raised by the opponents?

Explain any effects this program change will have on program requirements or enrollments in other departments including the Bachelor of Integrated Studies Program. In the case of similar offerings or affected programs, **you should include letters from the departments in question stating their support or opposition to the proposed program**.

This course has been taught experimentally for 2 years as MLS 3810 and is a new MLS Immunology course designed to focus on the clinical laboratory applications of immunology. There is a course offered by the WSU Microbiology Department, MICR 3203 – The Immune System in Health & Disease and MICR 3254 - Immunology that does cover basic immunology theory. It does not provide clinical laboratory specific application or include a clinical laboratory component required for laboratory professional track MLS students. Pre-professional MLS students will still be required to take either MICR 3203 or MICR 3254. This proposed course will focus on this clinical laboratory aspect of Immunology along with clinical case studies and hands-on laboratory applications. A revision of the NAACLS standards, which states that all MLS disciplines taught (which is to include immunology) must include: "principles and methodologies, performance of assays, problem-solving, troubleshooting techniques, interpretation of clinical procedures and results, statistical approaches to data evaluation, and continuous assessment of laboratory services for all major areas practiced in the contemporary clinical laboratory." (NAACLS Standard 22) The clinical lab’s need for MLS graduates with a basic understanding and clinical application of such burgeoning techniques as flow cytometry, molecular diagnostics and in situ hybridization testing requires clinical laboratory immunology expertise, which the MLS department has. The MLS department met with the microbiology department to discuss the MLS department's decision to implement a MLS specific Immunology course and remove the requirement for laboratory track MLS students to take MICR 3203 or MICR 3254. The impact to the Microbiology department will be moderate and verbal support has been given which will be followed by a letter of support from the department.

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