



**SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS**  
**ACADEMIC AFFAIRS FORMS**  
 Revised Course Request: Common Course  
 (Substantive Modifications)

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| USD<br><b>Institution</b>  | David Holdhusen<br><b>Form Initiator</b>             | <u>Bruce Kelley</u><br><b>Dean's Approval Signature</b>                 | <u>3/4/21</u><br><b>Date</b>    |
| USD<br><b>Institution</b>  | David Holdhusen (pg 2)<br><b>Division/Department</b> | <u>Elizabeth M. Freeburg</u><br><b>Institutional Approval Signature</b> | <u>4/15/2021</u><br><b>Date</b> |
| SDSU<br><b>Institution</b> | David Reynolds (pg 2)<br><b>Division/Department</b>  | <b>Institutional Approval Signature</b>                                 | <b>Date</b>                     |
| NSU<br><b>Institution</b>  | Rolf Olson (pg 2)<br><b>Division/Department</b>      | <b>Institutional Approval Signature</b>                                 | <b>Date</b>                     |
| BHSU<br><b>Institution</b> | Johnathan Nero (pg 2)<br><b>Division/Department</b>  | <b>Dean's Approval Signature</b>  | <b>Date</b>                     |

Indicate universities that currently offer the common course:

- BHSU     DSU     NSU     SDSMT     SDSU     USD

**Section 1. Existing Course Title and Description**

| Prefix & No. | Course Title   | Credits |
|--------------|----------------|---------|
| MUEN 102     | Men's Chorus   | 0-1     |
| MUEN 302     | Men's Chorus   | 0-1     |
| MUEN 702     | Men's Chorus   | 0-1     |
| MUEN 103     | Women's Chorus | 0-1     |
| MUEN 303     | Women's Chorus | 0-1     |
| MUEN 703     | Women's Chorus | 0-1     |

**Course Description**  
 An ensemble performing accompanied and unaccompanied literature.

**Section 2. Modification(s) Requested**

2.1. This modification will include:

- Course Title change from** Current See below to New See below

| Prefix & No. | Course Title | Credits |
|--------------|--------------|---------|
| MUEN 102     | Bass Choir   | 0-1     |
| MUEN 302     | Bass Choir   | 0-1     |
| MUEN 702     | Bass Choir   | 0-1     |
| MUEN 103     | Treble Choir | 0-1     |
| MUEN 303     | Treble Choir | 0-1     |
| MUEN 703     | Treble Choir | 0-1     |

**Effective term of the change:** Fall 2021

**2.2. Add justification for all changes noted above:**

The USD Music Department is requesting these title changes as a showing of inclusivity. Gender should not be utilized to label the choirs. Instead, voice quality should be used to define these ensembles. This is a title change only and will not impact content or credit.

**Section 3. Other Course Information**

Will this course equate (i.e., be considered the same course for degree completion) with any other unique or common courses in the common course database ([Course Inventory Report](#))?

- Yes                       No

**Section 4. Department and Course Codes (Completed by University Academic Affairs)**

|   | <u>Current</u> | to | <u>New</u> |
|---|----------------|----|------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Change in University Department Code | Various        | to | _____      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Change in <a href="#">CIP Code</a>   | Various        | to | _____      |

**Email Approval Received on Thur 2/18/2021 6:23 PM**

Bhsu supports the change.  
Jon (Nero)  
Chair, BHSU Department of Music

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**Email Approval Received on Thur 2/18/2021 2:09 PM**

Yes Northern is also supportive of the proposal.

Thanks David!

Rolf (Olson)  
Chair, NSU Department of Music

**Email Approval Received on Thur 2/18/2021 1:26 PM**

I am supportive of the proposal. We only use the official titles you mention in Banner and rely upon other longstanding descriptors for our programs and marketing materials.

Dave (Reynolds)  
SDSU Director of Performing Arts

**Email Requesting Change Sent on Thursday 2/18/2021 12:43 PM**

Greetings Choral Colleagues

I hope this email finds you well and making the best of a very unusual school year. If you are anything like me, you are craving normalcy so you can get back to making music in a more traditional way. I wish you continued good luck.

I am writing today to request your support for changing the names of two current common course choral titles. In an effort to promote inclusivity, I would like to petition the BOR to change the name of the Women's Chorus (MUEN 103/303/703) to "Treble Choir" and the Men's Chorus (MUEN 102/302/702) to "Bass Choir."

Would you please support this change? If everyone agrees, I will take care of all the paperwork.

Thank you for your consideration. Please continue to stay safe and healthy.

David

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