# KINGSBOROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE The City University of New York

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	Life and Physical Science
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☐ Change in Program Learning Ou ☐ Other (please describe):	
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TO: Spring 2021 Curriculum Committee

FROM: Department of Communications & Performing Arts

DATE: 02 March 2021

RE: Change in Course Title and Description for THA 6700 – History of the American Musical

Theatre

The Department of Communications & Performing Arts is proposing a change in Course Title and Description for THA 6700 – History of the American Musical Theatre

## Title:

#### FROM:

History of the American Musical Theatre

TO:

History of Musical Theatre in the United States

## **Description:**

#### FROM:

Development of the Broadway musical theatre from European operetta and American jazz backgrounds to the present day. Emphasis is on the musical and theatrical traditions of this form as well as on the changing styles in music, staging, and production values.

### TO:

This survey course introduces students to the history of musical theatre, its major productions and significant artists. Students will explore the evolution of musical theatre through the lens of the historical, social and political developments in the United States throughout the 19th and 20th centuries. Through engagement with class lectures, group discussions, scholarly readings, analysis of multimedia and writing assignments, students will analyze, evaluate and differentiate the periods, productions and personalities central to the development of this unique theatre form.

## **Rationale for Changes:**

## Title:

The rationale is two-fold. First, the course covers many musicals that were performed on Broadway but are not, in fact, "American" in origin. Second, in scholarly contexts, the term "American" is increasingly problematic as it is a colonialist construct which excludes other North American, Central American and South American nations.

# **Description:**

The change in course description more accurately reflects course content and more clearly articulates the learning goals associated with his course.