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COMMITTEE ON CURRICULA AND COURSES

Proposal to Change an Existing Course

Last revised: September 24, 2013

1. Date: 2-17-14
2. Department requesting this course: POLS
3. Nature of Proposed Change: Change class titles to more accurately reflect course content and whether the topics change.
4. If proposing to add this course to a CLAS general education area A-E, then
 - a. Specify a CLAS area, A-E: N/A
 - b. Provide justification for inclusion in CLAS area, A-E:
(Please consult CLAS guidelines for areas A-E.)
5. Effective Date (semester, year): ASAP
(Consult Registrar's change catalog site to determine earliest possible effective date. If a later date is desired, indicate here.)

Current Catalog Copy

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POLS 5408. Special Topics in American Political Behavior

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POLS 5409. Special Topics in American Race, Gender, and Ethnic Politics

The politics of American race, gender and ethnicity, with a focus on disadvantaged groups and their influence on the political process.

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(See information in the "Add a course" form if you have any questions regarding specific items.)

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Justification

1. Reasons for changing this course: For these three graduate courses, it was felt that the "special topics in" designator implied that the context would change over time whereas these courses are the core for our students seeking to have American politics as an emphasis.
2. Effect on Department's curriculum: None
3. Other departments consulted: None
4. Effects on other departments: None
5. Effects on regional campuses: None
6. Staffing:
7. Dates approved by
 Department Curriculum Committee: Feb 1, 2014
 Department Faculty: Feb 1, 2014
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