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## COMMITTEE ON CURRICULA AND COURSES

### **Proposal to offer a new or continuing 'Special Topics' course (xx95; formerly 298)**

Last revised: September 24, 2013

1. Date of this proposal: February 20, 2014
2. Semester and year this xx95 course will be offered: Fall 2014
3. Department: HIST
4. Course number and title proposed:  
HIST 3995 America's Asian Wars
5. Number of Credits: 3
6. Instructor: Simpson
7. Instructor's position:  
Associate Professor of History and Asian/Asian American Studies
8. Has this topic been offered before? No If yes, when?
9. Is this a ( X ) 1st-time, ( ) 2<sup>nd</sup>-time, ( ) 3<sup>rd</sup>-time request to offer this topic?
10. Short description:

This course will explore America's wars and interventions in Asia in the twentieth and twenty-first centuries, focusing on five conflicts: the Spanish American War and conquest of the Philippines (1898-1903), the Pacific War (1941-1945), the Korean War (1945-1953), the Vietnam War (1945-1975), and the US war in Afghanistan (2001-2013). We will explore the reasons for the long-term US engagement with Asia, the immediate sources of each conflict, as well as their impact and legacy, both domestically and internationally.

11. Please attach a sample/draft syllabus to first-time proposals. see attached
12. Comments, if comment is called for: n/a
13. Dates approved by:  
Department Curriculum Committee: February 25, 2014  
Department Faculty: February 26, 2014

14. Name, Phone Number, and e-mail address of principal contact person:  
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### **Supporting Documents**

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If required, attach a syllabus and/or instructor CV to your submission email in separate documents.