



MEMORANDUM

TO: Curriculum Committee

FROM: Jack Kirby *JRK*

DATE: January 28, 2013


SUBJECT: Curriculum Proposal #12-13-22, REVISION #1
Final Faculty Senate Approval 2/12/2013

I recommend approval of the attached REVISION #1 of Curriculum Proposal #12-13-22 from the College of Liberal Arts, Department of Social Science. This revision implements the changes required by the Curriculum Committee for final approval and can now be passed on to the Faculty Senate.



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I recommend approval of the attached Curriculum Proposal #12-13-22 from the College of Liberal Arts, Department of Social Science.

This proposal reduces the number of hours in the BA in Political Science from 128 to 120 hours and implements new general studies requirements. Additionally, it adds Ethics to the required Political Science curriculum increasing it from 21 to 24 hours. Political Science electives remain at 15 hours and a minor is still required.

c: Dr. Christina Lavorata
Dr. Deanna Shields
Dr. Diana Noone
Dr. Greg Noone
Ms. Evie Brantmayer

CURRICULUM PROPOSAL (Submit one hard copy and an electronic copy to the Associate Provost by the second Tuesday of the month.)

Proposal Number: # 12-13-22
School/Department/Program: College of Liberal Arts / Dept of Social Sciences / Political Science
Preparer/Contact Person: Dr. Greg Noone / Dr. Diana Noone
Telephone Extension: Ext. 4673
Date Originally Submitted: November 6, 2012
Revision (Indicate date and label it Revision #1, #2, etc.): REVISION #1 01/28/2013
Implementation Date Requested: FALL 2013

- I. **PROPOSAL.** Write a brief abstract, not exceeding 100 words, which describes the overall content of the proposal.

This proposal does three things. First, it is designed to reduce the number of hours in the B.A. in Political Science from 128 total hours to 120 total hours. Second, it implements the new general studies requirements. Third, it adds Ethics to the required Political Science curriculum increasing the required Political Science course hours from 21 to 24 hours. The 15 hours of Political Science electives will remain the same. A minor is still required for Political Science majors.

- II. **DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSAL.** Provide a response for each letter, A-H, and for each Roman Numeral II-V. If any section does not apply to your proposal, reply N/A.

- A. Deletion of course(s) or credit(s) from program(s)

Total hours deleted. NONE

- B. Addition of course(s) or credit(s) from program(s)

Addition of 3 hours to the required courses by adding CRJU 2295 or PHIL 3325.

Total hours added. 3

- C. Provision for interchangeable use of course(s) with program(s)

D. Revision of course content. Include, as an appendix, a revised course description, written in complete sentences, suitable for use in the university catalog.

N/A

E. Other changes to existing courses such as changes to title, course number, and elective or required status.

N/A

F. Creation of new course(s). For each new course

N/A

1. Designate the course number, title, units of credit, prerequisites (if any), ownership (FSU or shared) and specify its status as an elective or required course. If you are creating a shared course, attach a memo from the Deans of the affected Schools explaining the rationale for the course being shared.
2. Include, as an appendix, a course description, written in complete sentences, suitable for use in the college catalog.
3. Include, as an appendix, a detailed course outline consisting of at least two levels.
4. In order to meet the requirements as outlined in Goal One of the Strategic Plan, please include Outcome Competencies and Methods of Assessment as an appendix. Examples are available upon request from the Chair of the Curriculum Committee.

G. Attach an itemized summary of the present program(s) affected, if any, and of the proposed change(s).

Describe how this proposal affects the hours needed to complete this program. Specifically, what is the net gain or loss in hours? Use the format for Current and Proposed Programs in Appendix A.

This proposal is a net gain of 3 hours (one ethics course). See Appendix A.

III. **RATIONALE FOR THE PROPOSAL.**

A. **Quantitative Assessment:** Indicate the types of assessment data, i.e., surveys, interviews, capstone courses, projects, licensure exams, nationally-normed tests, locally developed measurements, accreditation reports, etc., that were collected and analyzed to determine that curricular changes were warranted. Quantitative data is preferred.

Most Political Science graduates enter the fields of law or government service. Interviews with numerous potential employers indicate a desire for such graduates to have successfully completed an ethics course. Faculty with experience in both fields strongly concur.

B. **Qualitative Assessment:** Based upon the assessment data above, indicate why a curricular change is justified. Indicate the expected results of the change. Be sure to include an estimate of the increased cost, or reduction in cost of implementation. FOR EXAMPLE: Will new faculty, facilities, equipment, or library materials be required?

There are no costs associated as both ethics courses (CRJU 2295 and PHIL 3325) are taught regularly by full time faculty in the Department of Social Sciences.

IV. Should this proposal affect any course or program in another school, a memo must be sent to the Dean of each school impacted and a copy of the memo(s) must be included with this proposal. In addition, the Deans of the affected schools must sign below to indicate their notification of this proposal.

N/A

By signing here, you are indicating your college's/school's notification of this proposal.

College/School	Dean	Signature

V. Should this proposal affect any course to be added or deleted from the general studies requirements, a memo from the chair of the General Studies Committee indicating approval of the change must be included with this proposal.

N/A

VI. **ADDITIONAL COMMENTS.**

N/A

APPENDIX A

B.A. Degree in Political Science
Current Program

Required Major Courses		HRS
ECON 2200	Economics	3
POLI 1103	American Government	3
POLI 2200	Introduction to Political Science	3
POLI 2201	Principles of International Relations	3
POLI 2203	Comparative Government	3
POLI 3340 or CRJU 4410	Research Methods or Research in Criminal Justice	3
POLI 4470	Seminar in Political Science	3
TOTAL Required Major Courses		21
Major Electives		15
Students may choose from any advanced (3300/4400) Political Science Courses.		
Minor Electives		18
A minor is required.		
TOTAL HOURS FOR MAJOR		54
Required General Studies Courses		
First Year Experience		15
ENGL 1104	Written English I	3
ENGL 1108	Written English II	3
INFO 1100	Computer Concepts and Applications	3
MATH		3
COMM 2200, 2201, OR 2202	Communication	3
Scientific Discovery		8
Cultural / Civilization Exploration		9
Society / Human Interactions		X
Artistic / Creative Expression		6
TOTAL GENERAL STUDIES HOURS		38
TOTAL FREE ELECTIVES		36
TOTAL HOURS		128

B.A. Degree in Political Science
Proposed Program

Required Major Courses		HRS
CRJU 2295 or PHIL 3325	Ethics in Criminal Justice or Ethics	3
ECON 2200	Economics	3
POLI 1103	American Government	3
POLI 2200	Introduction to Political Science	3
POLI 2201	Principles of International Relations	3
POLI 2203	Comparative Government	3
POLI 3340 or CRJU 4410	Research Methods or Research in Criminal Justice	3
POLI 4470	Seminar in Political Science	3
TOTAL Required Major Courses		24
Major Electives		15
Students may choose from any advanced (3300/4400) Political Science Courses		
Minor Electives		18
A minor is required.		
TOTAL HOURS FOR MAJOR		57

Required General Studies Courses		
Attribute IA – Critical Analysis		3
	ENGL 1108	
Attribute IB – Quantitative Literacy		3
	MATH 1101 or higher in IB	
Attribute IC – Written Communication		3
	ENGL 1104	
Attribute ID - Teamwork		X
	Major Course: CRJU 2295	
Attribute IE – Information Literacy		IA
	ENGL 1108	
Attribute IF – Technology Literacy		3
	ENGL 1109	
Attribute IG – Oral Communication		IF
	ENGL 1109	
Attribute III - Citizenship		3
	HIST 1107 or HIST 1108	
Attribute IV - Ethics		X
	Major Course: CRJU 2295	

Attribute V - Health		2
	PHED 1100	
Attribute VI - Interdisciplinary		X
	Major Course: POLI 1103	
Attribute VIIA - Arts		3
	ART 1120 or INTR 1120 or MUSI 1120, or THEA 1120	
Attribute VIIB - Humanities		3
	Any of the Following: HIST 2211, 2212, 2213, or PHIL 2250	
Attribute VIIC – Social Sciences		3
	CRJU 3310	
Attribute VIID - Natural Science		4
	Any course in VIID	
Attribute VIII – Cultural Awareness		VIIC or VIIB
	CRJU 3310 or HIST 2211, 2212, 2213	
Additional General Studies hours		X
	Major Course - POLI 3340 or CRJU 4410 – writing intensive course	
TOTAL GENERAL STUDIES HOURS		30
TOTAL FREE ELECTIVES		33
TOTAL HOURS		120