

REPORT: COMMITTEE ON CURRICULA AND COURSES
(For consideration by the Faculty Senate at its December 6, 2006 meeting.)

The Committee requests that any department which has a proposal being recommended by the Committee on Curricula and Courses provide a spokesperson to attend the Faculty Senate meeting in which said proposal is to be recommended.

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1. COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

A. Marine Science Program

Deletions

MSCI 111 Evolution of the Marine Environment. (4)

MSCI 112 Processes in the Marine Environment. (4)

Change in prerequisites

From: MSCI 305 Ocean Data Analysis. (3) (Prereq: MSCI 111 and 112 (or consent of instructor))

To: MSCI 305 Ocean Data Analysis. (3) (Prereq: MSCI 101 and 102 (or consent of instructor))

From: MSCI 311 Biology of Marine Organisms. (4) (Prereq: MSCI 112 or BIOL 112)

To: MSCI 311 Biology of Marine Organisms. (4) (Prereq: MSCI 102 or BIOL 101)

From: MSCI 312 Physical and Chemical Oceanography. (4) (Prereq: MSCI 112, MATH 142, CHEM 112, PHYS 201 or 211)

To: MSCI 312 Physical and Chemical Oceanography. (4) (Prereq: MSCI 101, MATH 142, CHEM 112, PHYS 201 or 211)

B. Department of Political Science

Change in curriculum, Website 2006-2007 Undergraduate Bulletin, under Bachelor of Arts in International Studies

<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Bachelor of Arts, International Studies (120 hours)	Bachelor of Arts, International Studies (120 hours)
2. Major Requirements	2. Major Requirements

<p>General Major A total of 27 hours of courses numbered 300 and above, including POLI 315 and 316, 12-15 hours of internationally oriented POLI courses numbered 300 and above, and 6-9 hours of internationally oriented non-POLI courses numbered 300 and above are required. Major course work should be distributed between one or two of the subfields (e.g., global environmental studies, U.S. foreign policy, international organizations, etc.). Course selection must be guided and approved by the student's advisor.</p> <p>Intensive Major Besides the requirements for the general major, intensive majors must complete an additional 6 hours of IS-related courses (approved by the major advisor) and a senior thesis (POLI 499) as well as demonstrate proficiency in one foreign language.</p> <p><i>3Note: Intensive majors must maintain a B or better in all major courses. Foreign language proficiency will be demonstrated by earning a rating of "intermediate high" on the ACTFL/ETS examination or a "1+" rating on the Interagency Language Roundtable (ILR) examination. In those languages for which such testing is not available within a foreign language department, proficiency will be demonstrated by passing with a C or better a minimum of 15 hours of one foreign language.</i></p>	<p>General Major A total of 27 hours of courses numbered 300 and above, including POLI 315 and 316, 12-15 hours of internationally oriented POLI courses numbered 300 and above, and 6-9 hours of internationally oriented non-POLI courses numbered 300 and above are required. Major course work should be distributed between one or two of the subfields (e.g., global environmental studies, U.S. foreign policy, international organizations, etc.). Course selection must be guided and approved by the student's advisor.</p> <p>Intensive Major Besides the requirements for the general major, intensive majors must complete an additional 6 hours of IS-related courses (approved by the major advisor) and a senior thesis (POLI 499) as well as demonstrate proficiency in one foreign language.</p> <p><i>Note: Intensive majors must maintain a B or better in all major courses. Foreign language proficiency will be demonstrated by earning a rating of "intermediate high" on the ACTFL/ETS examination or a "1+" rating on the Interagency Language Roundtable (ILR) examination. In those languages for which such testing is not available within a foreign language department, proficiency will be demonstrated by passing with a C or better a minimum of 15 hours of one foreign language.</i></p> <p>B.A. with Distinction</p> <p>Departmental Undergraduate Research Track available to students majoring in International Studies who wish to participate in significant research activities of the major field in collaboration with, or under the supervision of, a faculty mentor.</p> <p>Prerequisites: A minimum GPA of 3.6 in major courses, 3.3. overall. Courses: Three courses in addition to the general major requirements: --POLI 301, the Political Science Discipline (3 credits), to be taken before the senior year --POLI 498, Research Experience (3 credits) --POLI 499, Senior Thesis (3 credits) The Senior Thesis will produce a piece of original research and a public presentation of the research in a venue approved by the</p>
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	<p>faculty mentor. Such venues would include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> --annual meeting of the South Carolina Political Science Association (or any other annual meeting of the appropriate professional organization) --a regular (or special) session of the Political Science Research Workshop --sessions scheduled for the Political Science Awards Day activities --USC Discovery Day --submission to a professional journal <p>A written sponsorship agreement from the faculty mentor will be placed on file in the department or college office.</p> <p>Students who successfully fulfill these requirements with a GPA of at least 3.6 in all major courses and 3.3 overall, will be awarded their degree "With Distinction in International Studies" upon graduation.</p>
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<p>Bachelor of Arts, Political Science (120 hours)</p> <p>2. Major Requirements</p> <p>General Major A total of 27 hours of courses numbered 300 and above including at least one course in three of the following subfields: American politics, comparative politics, international relations, political theory, and public administration. Remaining major course work should reflect the students interests and career goals by being organized around one or two subfields. Course selection must be guided and approved by the students advisor.</p> <p>Intensive Major Besides the requirements for the general major, intensive majors must complete an additional 6 hours of major course work (approved by the major advisor) and a senior thesis (POLI 499), as well as demonstrate proficiency in one foreign language.</p>	<p>Bachelor of Arts, Political Science (120 hours)</p> <p>2. Major Requirements</p> <p>General Major A total of 27 hours of courses numbered 300 and above including at least one course in three of the following subfields: American politics, comparative politics, international relations, political theory, and public administration. Remaining major course work should reflect the students interests and career goals by being organized around one or two subfields. Course selection must be guided and approved by the students advisor.</p> <p>Intensive Major Besides the requirements for the general major, intensive majors must complete an additional 6 hours of major course work (approved by the major advisor) and a senior thesis (POLI 499), as well as demonstrate proficiency in one foreign language.</p>

<p><i>Note: An Intensive major must maintain a B or better in all major courses and demonstrate proficiency in one foreign language through the intermediate level.</i></p>	<p><i>Note: An Intensive major must maintain a B or better in all major courses and demonstrate proficiency in one foreign language through the intermediate level.</i></p> <p>B.A. with Distinction</p> <p>Departmental Undergraduate Research Track available to students majoring in Political Science who wish to participate in significant research activities of the major field in collaboration with, or under the supervision of, a faculty mentor.</p> <p>Prerequisites: A minimum GPA of 3.6 in major courses, 3.3. overall.</p> <p>Courses: Three courses in addition to the general major requirements: --POLI 301, the Political Science Discipline (3 credits), to be taken before the senior year --POLI 498, Research Experience (3 credits) --POLI 499, Senior Thesis (3 credits)</p> <p>The Senior Thesis will produce a piece of original research and a public presentation of the research in a venue approved by the faculty mentor. Such venues would include: --annual meeting of the South Carolina Political Science Association (or any other annual meeting of the appropriate professional organization) --a regular (or special) session of the Political Science Research Workshop --sessions scheduled for the Political Science Awards Day activities --USC Discovery Day --submission to a professional journal</p> <p>A written sponsorship agreement from the faculty mentor will be placed on file in the department or college office.</p> <p>Students who successfully fulfill these requirements with a GPA of at least 3.6 in all major courses and 3.3 overall, will be awarded their degree "With Distinction in Political Science" upon graduation.</p>
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Change in title and description

From: POLI 477 Ecology and Politics. (3) An analysis of political responses to ecological issues, including both general perspectives on the nature of social and environmental problems as well as specific local, state, national, and global concerns.

To: POLI 477 Green Politics. (3) An analysis of green political thought and environmental movements at the local, state, national, and global levels.

New course

POLI 498 Research Experience. (3) (Prereq: A minimum GPA of 3.6 in major courses, 3.3 overall) Working with a faculty mentor, students develop a research project and related research skills.

C. Women's Studies

New course

WOST 309 Sexual Diversities. (3) Introduction and overview of theories, history, literature, politics, legal, health and social issues within human sexual diversities, including the intersections of gender, race, and social class.

2. SCHOOL OF MUSIC

Change in credit hours

From: MUSC 581 The Alexander Technique. (3)

To: MUSC 581 The Alexander Technique. (2)

3. COLLEGE OF NURSING

New course

NURS 604 Middle Management Leadership. (6) (Prereq: Admission to the College of Continuing Education Program and/or graduate program of USC and/or RN to BSN program) Self-assessment and experiential development of leadership abilities and the application of strategies to create a culture of excellence in the work environment.

4. EXPERIMENTAL COURSES: For the Senate's information only.

(Experimental courses are offered for only one semester and then must be formally submitted as a course.)

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Department of Geological Sciences

GEOL 506X Geophysics: Geothermal and Geoelectric Processes. (3) (Prereq: MATH 241 or 250; Coreq: MATH 242) The theory and applications of geothermal and geoelectric fields of the earth to the understanding of earth structure.

Department of Mathematics

MATH 197X Introduction to Careers and Research in the Mathematical Sciences. (1) (Prereq: Qualification through placement in MATH 142 or higher, or a grade of C or better in MATH 141) An overview of different areas of mathematical research and career opportunities for Mathematics majors.