

**College of Liberal Arts
Curriculum Committee Report
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I. College of Liberal Arts

1. Create the following course:

FYSL 1000 First-Year Seminar – Liberal Arts **1-0-1**

Pre-requisite: Fewer than 30 credit hours completed

Corequisite: Associated core course

Description: First year students will learn the skills to become active, effective participants in the Armstrong experience. University physical, academic, and student support services will be discussed, as well as information literacy skills which include recognition of information needs, selection and evaluation of resources to fill information needs, and responsible communication of information. Skills learned will also be demonstrated and evaluated as part of the corequisite core class.

Rationale: This course will focus on Armstrong's Academic Learning Community offerings to reflect the goals of Armstrong's Quality Enhancement Plan.

Effective: Fall 2013

CURCAT:

Major Department: Dean, College of Liberal Arts

Can course be repeated for additional credit? No

Maximum number of Credit Hours: 1

Grading Mode: Normal

Instruction Type: Lecture

Equivalent Course: No

2. Create the Minor in Environmental Studies (15 hours):

Required. 15 credit hours from the following lists. Nine of these must be 3000 level or above. At least nine must be from a discipline other than your major.

At least two science courses from this list. Courses used in core curriculum do not count in this area.

BIOL 1103 Concepts of Biology
BIOL 1107 Principles of Biology I
BIOL 1108 Principles of Biology II
BIOL 1120 Diversity of Life
BIOL 1140 Environmental Biology
BIOL 3050 General Ecology
BIOL 3100 Man and the Environment
BIOL 3470 Environmental Restoration
BIOL 3600 Salt Marsh Ecology
BIOL 4550 Biology of Marine Organisms
BIOL 4970 Special Topics: As Appropriate
CHEM 1211 Principles of Chemistry I
CHEM 1212 Principles of Chemistry II
CHEM 2200 Science, Technology, and the Modern World
CHEM 4100/4200/4300 Topics as Appropriate
GEOL 2010 Introduction to Physical Geology
OCEA 3100 Oceanography

At least two non-science courses from this list

ARTS 3680 Environmental Art
ECON 3450 Environmental Economics
ENGL 5280U Literature and the Environment
ENST 4000 Internship in Environmental Studies
PHIL 3200 Technology, Society, and Human Values
POLS/LWSO 4190 Environmental Laws and Regulations
POLS 5530U Global Environmental Politics
HSCC 3760 Environmental and Community Health Issues

Rationale: To expand interdisciplinary offerings.

3. Modify the Program of Study for the minor in African American Studies

African American Studies Minor

African American Studies ~~18~~ 15 hours

AFAS 2000 - Introduction to African American Studies

Must include 9 hours of course work numbered 3000 or above with no more than 6 hours from a single discipline and at least 6 hours from each of the following areas of concentration:

Humanities:

AFAS 4000 - Independent Study in African American Studies

AFAS 5000U - Topics in African American Studies

ENGL 2050 - Africa and the Diaspora

ENGL 3350 - Introduction to African American Literature

ENGL 5355U - Black Women Writers

ENGL 5350U - Topics in African American Literature
HIST 2100 - The African Diaspora
HIST 3150 - History of Africa to 1800
HIST 3160 – History of Africa Since 1800
HIST 3900 - African-American History To 1865
HIST 3910 - African-American History Since 1865
HIST 5200U - Topics in African History
HIST 5650U - Topics in African-American History
MUSC 2010 - Understanding Jazz
Social Sciences:
AFAS 4000 - Independent Study in African American Studies
AFAS 5000U - Topics in African American Studies
CSDS 4050 - Introduction to Intercultural Communication
POLS 3980 - African Americans and the American Political System
POLS 5430U - Governments of Africa
POLS 5510U - Third World National Security
POLS 5560U - Comparative Foreign Policy
PUBH 5570U - Women and Minority Health Issues
SOCI 3200 - Racial and Ethnic Minorities

Rationale: To move in line with other minors on campus and to expand the interdisciplinary nature of this program.

Effective Term: Spring 2013

4. Modify the Program of Study for the minor in International Studies

4. Two additional Comparative Politics/Area History Studies /International Economics from the list below (6 hours).

ANTH 4401 - Special Topics in Anthropology
ECON 3450 - Environmental Economics
ECON 4400 - Seminar in Third World Economic Development
ECON 5200U - International Trade
ECON 5310U - International Financial Institutions
ENGL 5215U - Literature of the Non Western World
FREN 5030U – Special Topics in Francophone Literature
GEOG 5550U - Geography of South Asia
HIST 3110 - History of Latin America Since 1850
HIST 3150 - History of Africa to 1800
HIST 3160 - History of Africa Since 1800
HIST 3210 - Modern China
HIST 3220 - History of Japan
HIST 3230 - History of the Middle East
HIST 3300 - Modern Russia
HIST 3330 - Modern Germany
HIST 3360 - Modern East Central Europe
HIST 3560 Modern Europe

HIST 4900 - Seminar in Non Western History
HIST 5100U - Topics in Latin American History
HIST 5250U - Topics in Asian History
HIST 5300U - History of Russian and Soviet Foreign Policy
HIST 5480U - Topics in European History
HIST 5500U - Topics in British History
HIST 5540U - Topics in U.S. Foreign Relations
POLS 3340 - Politics and Ideology in Contemporary Europe
POLS 3420 - Governments of the Middle East
POLS 4400 - Independent Study in Comparative Government
POLS 4540 – International Political Economy
POLS 5260U - Media and Politics in Latin America
POLS 5300U – Marxism, Socialism, and Democracy
POLS 5430U - African Politics
POLS 5440U - Latin American Politics
POLS 5460U - Governments of East Asia
POLS 5490U - Political Transformation of the Former Soviet Union
POLS 5510U - Third World National Security
POLS/CRJU 5520 - Comparative Judicial Systems
POLS 5530U - Global Environmental Politics
POLS 5560U - Comparative Foreign Policy
SOC/POLS 5450U - Political Sociology of Nationalism
SPAN 3111 - Civilization and Culture of Spain
SPAN 3120 - Civilization and Culture of Latin America

Rationale: Reflect new course added

Effective Term: Spring 2013

- A. Art, Music, & Theatre
- B. Criminal Justice, Social, & Political Science

1. Create the following course:

POLS 4540 International Political Economy

Prerequisite: POLS 1150 or POLS 2290 or ECON 2105

Description: Examination of transnational problems and dilemmas related to the production, distribution, and consumption of scarce resources and the role of states and international institutions in shaping the structures of global political economy.

Rationale: The world economy is once again more interdependent than ever as reflected in the increased cross-border flows of goods, services, and capital and in the sustained activity of international organizations and institutions like the IMF, World Trade Organization and World Bank. In such a “*flat*” world, domestic political and economic dynamics have global implications, while international events can have a far-reaching impact domestically. This course is also a core course in most political science programs

throughout the nation. This course will also help out graduate students as they pursue advanced studies in either political science or economics.

Effective Term: Spring 2013

CURCAT:

Major Department: Criminal Justice, Social & Political Science

Can course be repeated for additional credit? No

Maximum number of Credit Hours: 3

Grading Mode: Normal

Instruction Type: Lecture

Equivalent Course: None

2. Create the following course:

SOCI 3250 Sociology of Education

Prerequisite: SOCI 1100

Description: Examination of the organization and role of educational institutions in contemporary society, including contributions to both social mobility and the preservation of the prevailing social order.

Rationale: Sociology department course offerings around the United States often include classes in the Sociology of Education as part of their regular, core curriculum. As Sociology at Armstrong continues to grow, the program must necessarily offer more and varied courses that are similar to its peer institutions. Currently, public education is the focus of intense political debate. Students can better participate in these discussions and will benefit from understanding the various perspectives informed by sociological theories and research. More specifically, students will learn how race, class, and gender affect educational experiences and outcomes.

Effective Term: Spring 2013

CURCAT:

Department: CJSPS

Can course be repeated for additional credit? No

Maximum number of credit hours: 3

Grading mode: Normal

Instruction type: Lecture

Equivalent course: None

3. Modify the Program of Study for the Bachelor of Arts in Political Science

B. Major Field Courses 36 hours
International Relations
POLS 3990 – Special Topics in Political Science

POLS 4200 - Independent Study in International Relations
POLS 4540 - International Political Economy
POLS 5110U - The Politics of Defense and National Security Policy
POLS 5130U - Political Terrorism
POLS 5210U - International Law
POLS 5220U - Theory of International Relations
POLS 5230U - Constitutional Law of Foreign Policy
POLS 5250U - International Organizations
POLS 5270U - Intelligence and National Security Policy
POLS 5280U - Seminar in Global Politics
POLS 5290U - American Foreign Policy
POLS 5291U - Constitutional Law of Foreign Policy
POLS 5510U - Third World National Security
POLS 5530U - Global Environmental Politics
CRJU/POLS 5130U- Political Terrorism

Rationale: Reflects new course added

Effective Term: Spring 2013

4. Modify the Minor International Affairs

International Affairs: POLS 3210, POLS 5210U, POLS 4200, **POLS 4540**, POLS 5220U, POLS 5290U, POLS 5130U

Rationale: Reflects new course added

Effective Term Spring 2013

5. Modify the Minor Comparative Government

Comparative Government: **POLS 4540**, POLS/SOCI 5450U, POLS 5460U, POLS 5490U, POLS 4400, POLS 5420U

Rationale: Reflects new course added

Effective Term Spring 2013

- C. Economics
- D. Gender and Women's Studies
- E. History
- F. Languages, Literature and Philosophy
- H. Gender and Women's Studies

