

GRADUATE CURRICULUM CHANGE MEMO

Date: 9/26/2022

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To: Martine Ceberio, Graduate Council

Proposal Title: Remove Border Politics as a subfield in the MA POLS degree plan

The requested change will remove "Border Politics" as a subfield in the MA in Political Science degree plan and change course requirement language to reflect this change. We are doing this because two of our courses, POLS 5336: Seminar in Southwest Border Politics and POLS 5344: Seminar in Border Theory, have been deactivated. The remaining class, POLS 5343: Seminar in Border Politics, will count as general credit with the elimination of the Border Politics subfield. This change to consolidate these courses into one will eliminate the significant overlaps in the content across the three border seminars. Furthermore, with recent retirements, the Department of Political Science and Public Administration no longer has sufficient faculty with expertise in Border Politics to sustain the graduate concentration and its three courses.

Degree Plan Changes from Catalog Form

Thesis Option

Required Credits: 30

Code	Title	Hours
MA in Political Science (All courses require a grade of C or better)		
Required Courses:		
<u>POLS 5300</u>	Sem In Quant Rsrch Methods I ^a	3
Seminar:		
<u>POLS 5301</u>	Sem in Qual Rsrch Methods ^a	3
or <u>POLS 5302</u>	Sem Quant Research Methods II	
Political Science Subfields:		
Select one course from each of the four subfields below:		
American Institutions and Processes:		
<u>POLS 5310</u>	Seminar in Am. Pol. Behavior	
<u>POLS 5315</u>	Sem. In Am. Inst. & Proc.	
<u>POLS 5320</u>	Seminar In Public Law	
<u>POLS 5364</u>	Seminar-Public Policy Analysis	
Border Politics:		
<u>POLS 5336</u>	Sem-Southwestern-Border Politi	
<u>POLS 5343</u>	Seminar in Border Politics	
<u>POLS 5344</u>	Seminar in Border Theory	
Comparative Politics:		
<u>POLS 5334</u>	Seminar-Comparative Pol. Dev.	
<u>POLS 5339</u>	Sem. Comp. Pol. Institutions	
<u>POLS 5345</u>	Comparative Electoral Systems	
<u>POLS 5346</u>	Sem in Pol Econ of Developmt	
<u>POLS 5348</u>	Sem in Politics of Latin Amer	
<u>POLS 5370</u>	Field Analysis Seminar	
International Politics:		
<u>POLS 5330</u>	Seminar-International Politics	
<u>POLS 5331</u>	Semina-Intn'l Organ/Intn'l Law	
<u>POLS 5332</u>	Sem-Foreign Policy Dec Making	
<u>POLS 5338</u>	Sem. In Int. Pol. Econ.	

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Code	Title	Hours
<u>POLS 5301</u>	Sem in Qual Resrch Methods	
<u>POLS 5302</u>	Sem Quant Research Methods II	
<u>POLS 5310</u>	Seminar in Am. Pol. Behavior	
<u>POLS 5315</u>	Sem. In Am. Inst. & Proc.	
<u>POLS 5320</u>	Seminar In Public Law	
<u>POLS 5330</u>	Seminar-International Politics	
<u>POLS 5331</u>	Semina-Intn'l Organ/Intn'l Law	
<u>POLS 5332</u>	Sem- Foreign Policy Dec Making	
<u>POLS 5334</u>	Seminar-Comparative Pol. Dev.	
<u>POLS-5336</u>	Sem-Southwestern Border Politi	
<u>POLS 5338</u>	Sem. In Int. Pol. Econ.	
<u>POLS 5339</u>	Sem. Comp. Pol. Institutions	
<u>POLS 5343</u>	Seminar in Border Politics	
<u>POLS-5344</u>	Seminar in Border Theory	
<u>POLS 5345</u>	Comparative Electoral Systems	
<u>POLS 5346</u>	Sem in Pol Econ of Developmt	
<u>POLS 5347</u>	Sem in International Security	
<u>POLS 5348</u>	Sem in Politics of Latin Amer	
<u>POLS 5349</u>	Seminar in Political Thought	
<u>POLS 5364</u>	Seminar-Public Policy Analysis	
<u>POLS 5368</u>	Seminar in Conflict Analysis	
<u>POLS 5370</u>	Field Analysis Seminar	
<u>POLS 5380</u>	Selected Problems-Government	
Total Hours		36

Non-Thesis Option

Code	Title	Hours
MA in Political Science (All courses require a grade of C or better)		
Required Courses:		
<u>POLS 5300</u>	Sem In Quant Rsrch Methods I	3
Seminar		
<u>POLS 5301</u>	Sem in Qual Resrch Methods	3
or <u>POLS 5302</u>	Sem Quant Research Methods II	
Political Science Subfields:		
<u>POLS 5393</u>	Final Paper Project	3
Select 42-9 hours, with one course each in the categories of American Institutions and Processes, Border Politics , Comparative Politics, or International Politics, from the following:		
American Institutions and Processes:		
<u>POLS 5310</u>	Seminar in Am. Pol. Behavior	
<u>POLS 5315</u>	Sem. In Am. Inst. & Proc.	
<u>POLS 5320</u>	Seminar In Public Law	
<u>POLS 5364</u>	Seminar-Public Policy Analysis	
Border Politics:		
<u>POLS 5336</u>	Sem-Southwestern Border Politi	
<u>POLS 5343</u>	Seminar in Border Politics	
<u>POLS 5344</u>	Seminar in Border Theory	
Comparative Politics:		
<u>POLS 5334</u>	Seminar-Comparative Pol. Dev.	
<u>POLS 5339</u>	Sem. Comp. Pol. Institutions	
<u>POLS 5345</u>	Comparative Electoral Systems	
<u>POLS 5346</u>	Sem in Pol Econ of Developmt	
<u>POLS 5348</u>	Sem in Politics of Latin Amer	
<u>POLS 5370</u>	Field Analysis Seminar	
International Politics:		
<u>POLS 5330</u>	Seminar-International Politics	
<u>POLS 5331</u>	Semina-Intn'l Organ/Intn'l Law	
<u>POLS 5332</u>	Sem-Foreign Policy Dec Making	
<u>POLS 5338</u>	Sem. In Int. Pol. Econ.	
<u>POLS 5347</u>	Sem in International Security	
<u>POLS 5368</u>	Seminar in Conflict Analysis	
Political Science Electives:		
Select 18-5 hours from the following:		
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CURRICULUM CHANGE PROPOSAL

APPROVAL PAGE

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College: Liberal Arts

Department: Political Science and Public Administration

DEPARTMENT CHAIR

Gaspare M. Genna

I have read the enclosed proposal and approve this proposal on behalf of the department.



12/15/2022

Signature

Date

COLLEGE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE CHAIR

Selfa A. Chew-Melendez

I have read the enclosed documents and approve the proposal on behalf of the college curriculum committee.



2-1-2023

Signature

Date

COLLEGE DEAN

Anadeli Bencomo

I have read the enclosed documents and approve the proposal on behalf of the college. I certify that the necessary funds will be allocated by the college in support of this proposal.



2/6/2023

Signature

Date