

CURRICULUM PROPOSAL APPROVAL PAGE

Proposal Title: Add POLS 3324 (Indigenous Law and Politics) to the North American Studies list of electives.

College: Liberal Arts

Department: Political Science and Public Administration

DEPARTMENT CHAIR- José Villalobos

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



November 20, 2025

Signature

Date

COLLEGE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE CHAIR - Selfa Chew Meléndez

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

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.


Signature

Date

CURRICULUM CHANGE MEMO

Date: November 20, 2025

From: Gaspare Genna, Director of Undergraduate Studies, Political Science and Public Administration


Through: José Villalobos, Chair, Political Science and Public Administration


Through: Selfa Chew Meléndez, Associate Dean, College of Liberal Arts

Through: Anadeli Bencomo, Dean, College of Liberal Arts

To: Chair, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

Proposal Title: Add POLS 3324 (Indigenous Law and Politics) to the North American Studies minor

Select the proposal content (select as many as apply) and provide the rationale.

Content

- ☐ New program or ☒ Program Change
- ☐ Bachelor's
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 - ☐ Certificate
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 - ☒ Minor
 - ☐ Concentration/Track
- ☐ New Course
- ☐ Closure (program, certificate, minor, concentration)
- ☐ Change
- ☐ CIP Code
 - ☐ Program/certificate SCH
 - ☐ Course Title
 - ☐ Course Description
 - ☐ Graduate Program Admission Requirements

Rationale

The North American Studies minor currently has courses in Native American Studies through the Sociology and Anthropology Department. The addition of POLS 3324 (Indigenous Law and Politics) will further add to the minor's offering in this important subject of study.

Copy and paste the degree plan from the catalog and use track changes to indicate the proposed changes.

The minor requires that students pass [POLS 4363](#) North American Relations, and pass any five of the following courses:

Course List		
Code	Title	Hours
ANTH 3320	Indig Cultures of North Amer	3
or SOC 3320	Indig Cultures of North Amer	
ANTH 3321	Indians of the Southwest	3
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ANTH 3326	Migration	3
or SOC 3326	Migration	
ANTH 4308	U.S.-Mex. Border Society/Cult	3
or SOC 4308	U.S.-Mex Border Society/Cult	
ARTH 3353	Pre-Columb Art & Arch	3
ARTH 3355	Spanish Col Art Americas	3
ARTH 3357	Art Mexico: Ancient to Modern	3
ARTH 3395	Topics in Contemporary Art (*)	3
ARTH 3399	Special Topics in Art History (*)	3
CHIC 3311	Chicano Studies: Societal Issu	3
CHIC 4306	Comm Formation on US/MX Border	3
CHIC 4309	American Immigration & Soc Jus	3
CRIJ 3351	Crim Just on US-Mexico Border	3
CRIJ 4311	Immigration Law and Admin	3
ECON 3325	Public Choice	3
ECON 4325	International Economics	3
ENGL 3310	Chicana/o Literature	3
ENGL 3311	American Literature to 1865	3
ENGL 3312	Am. Literature 1865 to Present	3
ENGL 3327	Jewish American Literature	3
ENGL 3371	Southwestern Literature	3

Course List

Code	Title	Hours
ENGL 3374	Folklore Of Mexican American	3
ENGL 4319	Am. Fiction 1945 to Present	3
ENGL 4322	The American Drama	3
ENGL 4351	Maj Am Writer(s) since 1900	3
HIST 3303	The U.S.-Mexican War	3
HIST 3309	Mexican-American History	3
HIST 3325	Hist Immigration/Ethnicity US	3
HIST 3342	The Spanish Borderlands	3
INSS 3302	Sem in Intel and Nat'l Sec	3
INSS 3340	Seminar in Homeland Security	3
INSS 3343	Crime and Border Security	3
LABS 3300	The Americas	3
POLS 3324	Indigenous Law and Politics	3
POLS 3361	International Security	3
POLS 4313	Southwestern Border Politics	3
POLS 4315	Latinos In Amer Political Syst	3
POLS 4337	The Politics of Mexico	3
POLS 4339	US-Latin American Relations	3
POLS 4364	Internat'l Political Economy	3

A total of 18 semester hours are required. A minimum GPA of 2.0 in the minor required.

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