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**New or Modified Course Proposal Form**

**[X] Undergraduate Curriculum Council**

**[ ] Graduate Council**

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| **[ ]New Course, [ ]Experimental Course (1-time offering), or [X]Modified Course (Check one box)** |

Signed paper copies of proposals submitted for consideration are no longer required. Please type approver name and enter date of approval.

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1. **Contact Person (Name, Email Address, Phone Number)**

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1. **Proposed starting term and Bulletin year for new course or modification to take effect**

Fall; 2021; Bulletin Year 2021-2022

**Instructions:**

*Please complete all sections unless otherwise noted. For course modifications, sections with a “Modification requested?” prompt need not be completed if the answer is “No.”*

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|  | **Current (Course Modifications Only)** | **Proposed (New or Modified)**  *(Indicate “N/A” if no modification)* |
| **Prefix** | **POSC** | **N/A** |
| **Number\*** | **3033** | **3633** |
| **Title** | **Legal Research, Writing, and Advocacy** | **N/A** |
| **Description\*\*** | **PUBLIC LAW. Legal research and terminology, including research methodology. Development of research skills through use of legal research tools (law digests, encyclopedias, reporters, statutes, and other library materials), legal brief and memo writing and oral argumentation.** | **N/A** |

***\**** (Confirm with the Registrar’s Office that number chosen has not been used before and is available for use. For variable credit courses, indicate variable range. *Proposed number for experimental course is 9*. )

\*\*Forty words or fewer as it should appear in the Bulletin.

1. **Proposed prerequisites and major restrictions** **[Modification requested? No]**

(Indicate all prerequisites. If this course is restricted to a specific major, which major. If a student does not have the prerequisites or does not have the appropriate major, the student will not be allowed to register).

1. **No** Are there any prerequisites?
   1. If yes, which ones?

Enter text...

* 1. Why or why not?

Enter text...

1. **No** Is this course restricted to a specific major?
   1. If yes, which major? Enter text...
2. **Proposed course frequency [Modification requested? No]**

(e.g. Fall, Spring, Summer; if irregularly offered, please indicate, “irregular.”) *Not applicable to Graduate courses.*

Enter text...

1. **Proposed course type [Modification requested? No]**

Will this course be lecture only, lab only, lecture and lab, activity (e.g., physical education), dissertation/thesis, capstone, independent study, internship/practicum, seminar, special topics, or studio? Please choose one.

Enter text...

1. **Proposed grade type [Modification requested? No]**

What is the grade type (i.e. standard letter, credit/no credit, pass/fail, no grade, developmental, or other [please elaborate])

Enter text...

1. **No** Is this course dual-listed (undergraduate/graduate)?
2. **No** Is this course cross-listed?

*(If it is, all course entries must be identical including course descriptions. Submit appropriate documentation for requested changes. It is important to check the course description of an existing course when adding a new cross-listed course.)*

**a.** – If yes, please list the prefix and course number of the cross-listed course.

Enter text...

**b.** – **Yes / No** Can the cross-listed course be used to satisfy the prerequisite or degree requirements this course satisfies?

Enter text...

1. **No** Is this course in support of a new program?

a. If yes, what program?

Enter text...

1. **No** Will this course be a one-to-one equivalent to a deleted course or previous version of this course (please check with the Registrar if unsure)?

a. If yes, which course?

Enter text...

**Course Details**

1. **Proposed outline** **[Modification requested? No]**

(The course outline should be topical by weeks and should be sufficient in detail to allow for judgment of the content of the course.)

Enter text...

1. **Proposed special features** **[Modification requested? No]**

(e.g. labs, exhibits, site visitations, etc.)

Enter text...

1. **Department staffing and classroom/lab resources**

None

1. Will this require additional faculty, supplies, etc.?

No

1. **No** Does this course require course fees?

*If yes: please attach the New Program Tuition and Fees form, which is available from the UCC website.*

**Justification**

**Modification Justification (Course Modifications Only)**

1. Justification for Modification(s)

The Department of Political Science is renumbering its courses to identify each with subfields from which students may select options. The designation of a 6 as the second number (e.g., 36## or 46##) will identify the course as satisfying the Department’s requirement that undergraduates take at least one course from that sub-field.

**New Course Justification (New Courses Only)**

1. Justification for course. Must include:

a. Academic rationale and goals for the course (skills or level of knowledge students can be expected to attain)

Enter text...

b. How does the course fit with the mission of the department? If course is mandated by an accrediting or certifying agency, include the directive.

Enter text...

c. Student population served.

Enter text...

d. Rationale for the level of the course (lower, upper, or graduate).

Enter text...

**Assessment**

**Assessment Plan Modifications (Course Modifications Only)**

1. **No** Do the proposed modifications result in a change to the assessment plan?

*If yes, please complete the Assessment section of the proposal*

**Relationship with Current Program-Level Assessment Process (Course modifications skip this section unless the answer to #18 is “Yes”)**

1. What is/are the intended program-level learning outcome/s for students enrolled in this course? Where will this course fit into an already existing program assessment process?

Enter text...

1. Considering the indicated program-level learning outcome/s (from question #19), please fill out the following table to show how and where this course fits into the program’s continuous improvement assessment process.

*For further assistance, please see the ‘Expanded Instructions’ document available on the UCC - Forms website for guidance, or contact the Office of Assessment at 870-972-2989.*

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| **Program-Level Outcome 1 (from question #19)** | Type outcome here. What do you want students to think, know, or do when they have completed the course? |
| Assessment Measure | Please include direct and indirect assessment measure for outcome. |
| Assessment  Timetable | What semesters, and how often, is the outcome assessed? |
| Who is responsible for assessing and reporting on the results? | Who (person, position title, or internal committee) is responsible for assessing, evaluating, and analyzing results, and developing action plans? |

*(Repeat if this new course will support additional program-level outcomes)*

**Course-Level Outcomes**

1. What are the course-level outcomes for students enrolled in this course and the associated assessment measures?

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| **Outcome 1** | Type outcome here. What do you want students to think, know, or do when they have completed the course? |
| Which learning activities are responsible for this outcome? | List learning activities. |
| Assessment Measure | What will be your assessment measure for this outcome? |

*(Repeat if needed for additional outcomes)*

**Bulletin Changes**

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| **Instructions** |
| **Please visit** [**http://www.astate.edu/a/registrar/students/bulletins/index.dot**](http://www.astate.edu/a/registrar/students/bulletins/index.dot) **and select the most recent version of the bulletin. Copy and paste all bulletin pages this proposal affects below. Please include a before (with changed areas highlighted) and after of all affected sections.**  **\*Please note: Courses are often listed in multiple sections of the bulletin. To ensure that all affected sections have been located, please search the bulletin (ctrl+F) for the appropriate courses before submission of this form.** |

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**BEFORE**:

POSC 2103. Introduction to United States Government  AMERICAN POLITICS. The constitution, government, and politics of the United States. Fall, Spring, Summer. (ACTS#: PLSC 2003)

POSC 3003. Introduction to Political Analysis  POLITICAL METHODOLOGY. Introduction to the discipline of political science, its subfields, and to the use of the social scientific method and logical inquiry. Fall.

POSC 3033. Legal Research, Writing and Advocacy PUBLIC LAW. Legal research and terminology, including research methodology. Development of research skills through use of legal research tools (law digests, encyclopedias, reporters, statutes, and other library materials), legal brief and memo writing and oral argumentation. Spring, even.

POSC 3043. Judicial Process and Legal Reasoning  PUBLIC LAW. Introduction to administration of justice, including the effects of process on justice goals, due process, and fundamental fairness. Includes sources and foundations of U.S. law, common law 20th century legal movements, criminal, civil, administrative, and mediation/arbitration and statutory interpretation. Fall, odd.

POSC 3113. American Municipal Government   AMERICAN POLITICS. Types of governments in municipalities of the United States. Fall, Spring.

**AFTER**:

**POSC 3633. Legal Research, Writing and Advocacy** PUBLIC LAW. Legal research and terminology, including research methodology. Development of research skills through use of legal research tools (law digests, encyclopedias, reporters, statutes, and other library materials), legal brief and memo writing and oral argumentation. Spring, even.