UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY
APPLICATION FOR CHANGE IN EXISTING COURSE: MAJOR & MINOR

1. Submitted by College of: Arts & Sciences
Department/Division offering course: Political Science
Date: 2/3/2006

2. Changes proposed:
(a) Present prefix & number: PS 463G
Proposed prefix & number: PS 463G
(b) Present Title: The American Judicial Process
New Title: Judicial Politics
(c) If course title is changed and exceeds 24 characters (including spaces), include a sensible title (not to exceed 24 characters) for use on transcripts:
(d) Present credits: 3
Proposed credits: 3
(e) Current lecture: laboratory ratio: 100:0
Proposed: 100:0
(f) Effective Date of Change: (Semester & Year) Fall 2006

3. To be Cross-listed as:

4. Proposed change in Bulletin description:
(a) Present description (including prerequisite(s)):
A study from the standpoint of the social sciences, of the judicial process at the state and national levels, dealing with the organization of courts, the making of judicial decisions, and the exercising of judicial power.
(b) New description:
A survey of how politics influences, and in turn is influenced by, the behavior of judicial institutions and the judges who staff them. Draws heavily on the social science literature studying judicial behavior, the structure of the court system, and the implementation of legal rulings.
(c) Prerequisite(s) for course as changed: PS 101 & UN2 status (these should be changed to PS 360 in Fall 2008)

5. What has prompted this proposal?
Because of inadequate student preparation, the old PS 463G used to have to present introductory material inappropriate for the course numbering. Now that we are creating a gateway course, we want to clarify that PS 463G will be doing what it was initially designed to do (i.e., provide an advanced survey of the disciplinary literature).

6. If there are to be significant changes in the content or teaching objectives of this course, indicate changes:
Aside from elimination of weeks of introductory material, which appeared in the advanced course only because of poor curricular design, we are not making substantial changes to the course.

7. What other departments could be affected by the proposed change?
n/a

8. Is this course applicable to the requirements for at least one degree or certificate at the University of Kentucky? Insofar as it's one option for PS major electives...
   ☒ Yes  ☐ No

9. Will changing this course change the degree requirements in one or more programs?*
   ☐ Yes  ☒ No
   If yes, please attach an explanation of the change.*

10. Is this course currently included in the University Studies Program?
    If yes, please attach correspondence indicating concurrence of the University Studies Committee.
    ☐ Yes  ☒ No

11. If the course is a 100-200 level course, please submit evidence (e.g., correspondence) that the Community College System has been consulted.
    *NOTE: Approval of this change will constitute approval of the program change unless other program modifications are proposed.
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12. If the course is 400G or 500 level, include syllabi or course statement showing differentiation for undergraduate and graduate students in assignments, grading criteria, and grading scales. ☒ Check here if 400G-500.

NOTE: This proposed alteration will not affect the balance of requirements between graduate and undergraduate students. The department is aware of this rule and already differentiates between graduate and undergraduate requirements.

12. Is this a minor change? □ Yes ☒ No

(NOTE: See the description on this form of what constitutes a minor change. Minor changes are sent directly from the Dean of the College to the Chair of the Senate Council. If the latter deems the change not to be minor, it will be sent to the appropriate Council for normal processing.)

13. Within the Department, who should be consulted for further information on the proposed course change?

Name: Steve Voss Phone Extension: 7-4313

Signatures of Approval:

David Lee
Department Chair

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Dean of the College

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2/13/06 Date

2/24/06 Date

2/13/06 Date of Notice to the Faculty

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Date of Notice to University Senate

**If applicable, as provided by the Rules of the University Senate.

ACTION OTHER THAN APPROVAL

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The Minor Change route for courses is provided as a mechanism to make changes in existing courses and is limited to one or more of the following:

a. change in number within the same hundred series;
b. editorial change in description which does not imply change in content or emphasis;
c. editorial change in title which does not imply change in content or emphasis;
d. change in prerequisite which does not imply change in content or emphasis;
e. cross-listing of courses under conditions set forth in item 3.0;
f. correction of typographical errors. [University Senate Rules, Section III - 3.1]

Rev 3/04
INVESTIGATING AREA: Behav. & Soc. Sci.  MAJOR, DEGREE or PROGRAM: SOC 463G

DATE FOR EPC REVIEW: 2/24/06  CATEGORY: NEW, CHANGE, DROP

INSTRUCTIONS: This completed form will accompany the course application to the Graduate/Undergraduate Council(s) in order to avoid needless repetition of investigation. The following questions are included as an outline only. Be as specific and as brief as possible. If the investigation was routine, please indicate this. The term "course" is used to indicate one course, a series of courses or a program, whichever is in order. Return the form to Leonidas Bachas Associate Dean, 275 Patterson Office Tower for forwarding to the Council(s). ATTACH SUPPLEMENT IF NEEDED.

1. List any modifications made in the course proposal as submitted originally and why.

2. If no modifications were made, review considerations that arose during the investigation and the resolutions.

3. List contacts with program units on the proposal and the considerations discussed therein.

4. Additional information as needed.

Proposals were also reviewed by Adrienne McMahon, John Pica, Cindy Iten and Mike Shanks of the college advising center.

5. A&S Area Investigator Recommendation:

   [ ] APPROVE
   [ ] APPROVE WITH RESERVATION
   [ ] DISAPPROVE

6. A&S Education Policy Committee Recommendation:

   [ ] APPROVE
   [ ] APPROVE WITH RESERVATION
   [ ] DISAPPROVE

7. [Signature]  Date: 2/24/06

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