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Glassboro State College Senate Curriculum Committee

Approval Form

Proposal Title: Selected Topics in Economics

Sponsor(s) Dr. Kressler Dept.: Economics Ext. 6014

Check one: Course Specialization Concentration Minor Achievement Certificate
 Certification Program Major Program Minor Change (please name deletion or credit/title/catalog change)

Undergraduate Graduate 3 Credit Hours

<p>Step 1 (Department)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved <u>12/13/89</u> Date</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not Approved</p> <p><u>Dr. Whiles</u> Dept. approved Dept. CC Chairperson</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reviewed <u>12/13/89</u> Date</p> <p><u>Dr. Hitchner</u> Dept. Chairperson</p>	<p>Step 2 (Receipt)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> SCC# <u>89-90-18</u></p> <p>Proposal Received <u>12-14-89</u> Date</p> <p><u>[Signature]</u> SCC Chairperson</p>	<p>Step 3 (School CC)</p> <p>Reviewed <u>2-6-90</u></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Not Approved</p> <p>Comments:</p> <p><u>[Signature]</u> School Curr Comm Chairperson</p>
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Step 4 (Academic Dean)

Recommend
 Not Recommend
 Conditionally Recommend (see comments)

Reviewed 2-6-90
Date

Comments: She has given the department needed flexibility for offering minor changes

[Signature]
Signature, Dean of School

Step 5 (SCC)

Open Hearing 3-23-90 Approved by Senate Curriculum Committee 4/26/90
Date Date

Returned to sponsor(s) for the following reasons:

Step 6 (Senate)

Presented to Senate 5-17-90 Approved Not Approved
Date

Notification to Executive Vice-President/Provost 6-4-90 [Signature]
Date Signature, SCC Chairperson

Step 7 (Executive V.P./Provost)

Received 6/4/90

Date

If no, reasons are as follows:

Approved Yes No

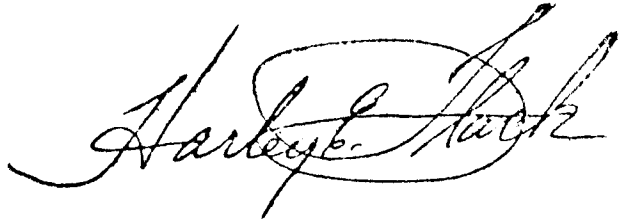
Student credit hours 3

Faculty load hours 3

Equalized credit hours 3

Official copy and approval sheet filed 6/21/90

Date



Signature, Executive Vice-President/Provost

Registrar

Approved course description received 6/21/90

Date

Hegis Taxonomy and Course Number assigned 2264-369

B. K. (sic) for DR

Signature/Registrar

6/21/90

Date

Notification forwarded:

- Senate Curriculum Committee Chairperson
- Department Chairperson(s)
- Academic Dean(s)
- Registrar
- Sponsor(s)

Course Proposal
Revised Draft, 03/21/90

1. Details:

- a. Title: Selected Topics in Economics: (Topics)
- b. Sponsors: Dr. Hitchner and Dr. Kressler
Department of Economics
- c. Three Credit Hours: Students may elect as many as two selected topics courses and take up to six hours for economic elective credit.
- d. Level: Undergraduate (Junior-Senior Level)
- e. Curricular Effect: Economics Elective
- f. Prerequisite: 2204.101 and 2204.102 or instructor's permission.
- g. Implementation Date: Spring, 1991 and to be offered once a year. Any particular selected topic (s) may be offered once within a period of three years.
- h. All departmental faculty will share in the teaching of this course.

2. Rationale:

One of the College's goals is that a program of study be timely and include reference to recent changes in the study program. Economics is a discipline undergoing rapid change in scope and content. Dr. Phillip Saunders, Professor and Chair of Economics, Indiana University who was the Consultant for our Academic Program Review, 1988/89 advised and recommended a course in Selected Topics. This course proposal is recommended and supported by the Department's Academic Program Advisor, Departmental Faculty and the Dean of the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Selected Topics will be a course that offers the opportunity to teach a current-on the frontier topic-without being subject to the time constraint annual curriculum review. Selected Topics may be used by a faculty member to offer a course on an area of recent research, or a special, detailed study on some more traditional topic. Dr. Saunders indicated that Selected Topics is popular as a course vehicle in many colleges and universities throughout the nation. Selected Topics offers

Departmental Faculty freedom to meet changes in programmatic needs directed by student interests and market place demands as well as faculty interests. Some of these needs and interest may be outside of the established program structure.

3. Essence of the Course

- a. The objectives of the course will be relative to the Selected Topic which will vary each year and vary according to particular faculty expertise. Student outcomes may range in such areas as the development of awareness, deeper understandings of particular topics, the attainment of a methodological skills or practical skills, for example, the derivation of indices or interpretation of data. Clearly course objective will change as the course topic changes each time of offering.
- b. The course does not have a standard content format. Each offering of Selected Topics may have a different topic or topics. The range of topic selections are unlimited. The faculty assigned will choose the topic or topics. If demand and evaluation dictates, the same topic for Selected Topics may be taught in a subsequent year.* The topic outline will depend upon the topic selection by the professor teaching the course. For example, current and timely topic would be Debts and Deficits or European Economic Unity.
- c. Students will be graded by specific criteria established by the instructor. Criteria may change depending on the instructor's goals and teaching methods. Since emphasis on the teaching of writing is a departmental goal, appropriate writing requirements will be built in to the teaching goals of Selected Topics.
- d. The curriculum committee of the Department of Economics will make an official evaluation of Selected Topics after the first offering. Student input will be obtained for this evaluation.

* but not within a three year period as per Academic Policy governing Selected Topics, March 25, 1988.

Consultation

Dr. John Myers, Chairman, Sociology Department was consulted regarding the pattern of the Selected Topics course in Sociology. Dr. Myer's suggestions have been incorporated in this proposal, for example, that the range of topic be unlimited and the course be open for team teaching.

Dean Doskow has read the proposal and declared her support. Dean Doskow suggested that other departments offering Selected Topics be consulted regarding the range of topics.

Catalogue Description

This course focuses on a detailed study of a selected topic in economics. Students should consult the instructor regarding the course topic, methodology, and objectives. Any particular selected topic(s) may be offered once within a period of three years. Prerequisite: 2204.101 and 2204.102 or instructor's permission.