Rowan University Senate
General Education Curriculum Proposal

Library Resource Form Required for New Courses
Submission Deadlines: Fall - October 10, 2006  Spring - February 13, 2007

**TITLE**
Contemporary World Problems

**Sponsor(s)**
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**DEPARTMENT**
Political Science

**College**
Liberal Arts and Sciences

**LAS-check:**
- History/Humanities
- Social/Behavioral Sciences
- Math/Science

**UNDERGRADUATE**

**GRADUATE**
X Minor changes to existing General Education course

Request new or existing course receive the following description:
- Writing Intensive
- Literature
- Multicultural-Global
- Lab Science
- Rowan Seminar
- Changes to General Education requirements of a degree or program
- New or Existing course to be placed in the General Education Bank:
- Fine/Performing Arts
- LAS: Humanities
- LAS: Social Behavior
- LAS: Math/Science
- Communication Studies

**Signatures Required:** representing approval before submission to Office of the Senate

Department Chair:  
Date: 10-11-06

Department CURRICULUM Chair:  
Date: 10-11-06

Academic DEAN:  
Date: 10-11-06

**UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE**

OPEN HEARING:  
Date: 10-11-06

Approved:  
Not Approved:  

Senate Curriculum Chair Signature:  
Announced to Senate:  
Comments:

Signature: Executive Vice President/Provost:  
Date: 10-11-06

Signature: REGISTRAR  
Date: 2/12/07

Course Description Received & Approved
Hegis Taxonomy & Course

# POSC 07.321

**Notification Forward:**

- SCC CHAIR
- Academic Dean
- IR
- Department Chair
- CAP
- VP/Student Affairs
- Registrar
- Other-

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Minor Curriculum Change Proposal
Department of Political Science

October 10, 2006

Details

a. Change Requested: Hegis Number Change for Contemporary World Problems
   From: POSC 07231 To: POSC 07321.
b. Sponsor: Larry Butler, Curriculum Chair, Department of Political Science

Rationale

a. This course is currently being taught at the junior and senior levels. This hegis
   change will more accurately reflect the course content.
b. This change will have little impact on our program, department or curricular
   design. The upgrade will mean that students will not be able to transfer credit for
   similar courses taken at community colleges. A review of transfer records by the
   office of the registrar and by the political science department indicates that only
   one student transferred this course from a community college in the years 2000-
   2005. Nor do we anticipate that this will become a barrier to transfer students
   seeking to complete program requirements in two years as Contemporary World
   Problems is not a prerequisite for any other courses.

Results of Consultation

a. Last year, when considering this proposal, the curriculum committee requested
   that we seek consultation with the history department and the international studies
   concentration.
Dear Larry,

We in the history department have no problem with these proposed changes.

Thanks,

Jim

James Heinzen
Acting Chair and Associate Professor of History
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From: Butler, Roger L.
Sent: Tue 10/10/2006 6:42 PM
To: Heinzen, James W.; Smith, Edward C., III
Subject: Proposed Curriculum Changes

Attached are two curriculum proposals from our department. One would make American Government a prerequisite for Comparative Political Systems. The other would raise Contemporary World Problems from a 200-level to a 300-level course. Since these are both GenEd courses, this proposal went to full senate curriculum committee last year. They requested that we consult with your two departments before they would move forward. I never got around to it so I am resubmitting this year with the requested consultations.

The deadline for curriculum proposals is Tuesday, October 17 so I would appreciate your e-mailing me you comments before that date.

Thanks,

Larry Butler
Kevin, the following is a consultation letter from the International Studies concentration related to the two Political Science curriculum proposals offered under Process B.

-----Original Message-----
From: Smith, Edward C., III
Sent: Tue 12/19/2006 1:04 PM
To: Butler, Roger L.
Subject: Curriculum Proposals

Dear Larry,

I support the proposals your forwarded:

The prerequisite of "American Government" for the course "Comparative Political Systems," and the change of "Contemporary World Problems" from a 200 to a 300 level course.

Both changes serve to better structure your program and to enhance its academic level.

Thank you for letting me review the proposals.

Mickey

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The course can remain a Gen Ed, SBS and M/G.

Thanks.
Kevin

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Hi,
I’ve received the curriculum proposal changing the Political Science course Contemporary World Problems from a 200 level course to a 300 level course, and I note the mention that transfer students will not be able to transfer similar courses taken at community colleges.
I have a question about the fact that the course is currently a Gen Ed course. I’ve got attributes coded on the course that make it satisfy requirements for General Education, Social/Behavioral Science Bank, and Multi-Cultural/Global. Am I removing any or all of these attributes? Will the 300-level course no longer be Gen Ed, etc.? Please advise. Thanks!

Steven Kessel
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