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New Course Request

USD	Arts & Sciences / Political Science	
Institution	Division/Department	
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Institutional Approval Signature		Date

Section 1. Course Title and Description

Prefix & No.	Course Title	Credits
POLS 101	Introduction to Political Science	3

Course Description
<p>This course introduces students to the discipline of political science, as well as to the political science major. The course will provide an overview of the major subfields of political science (international relations, comparative politics, political theory, methodology, and American politics) as well as public policy and public administration.</p>

Pre-requisites or Co-requisites (add lines as needed) N/A
Registration Restrictions N/A

Section 2. Review of Course

2.1. Was the course first offered as an experimental course?
 Yes (if yes, provide the course information below) No

2.2. Will this be a unique or common course?
If the request is for a unique course, verify that you have reviewed the common course catalog via Colleague and the system [Course Inventory Report](#) to determine if a comparable common course already exists. List the two closest course matches in the common course catalog and provide a brief narrative explaining why the proposed course differs from those listed. If a search of the common course catalog determines an existing common course exists, complete the Authority to Offer an Existing Course Form.

Unique Course

Prefix & No.	Course Title	Credits
POLS 100	American Government	3
POLS 102	American Political Issues	3

Provide explanation of differences between proposed course and existing system catalog courses below:

<p>This course is a broad and inclusive introduction to the field of Political Science generally and the expertise and nature of the Department specifically. The introduction to the subfields of Political Science will assist students in creating a path for their study within the field and department. The course will provide an overview of the major subfields of political science (international relations, comparative politics, political theory, methodology, and American politics) as well as public policy and public administration. While POLS 100 is purely an introductory American politics course and POLS 102 deals exclusively with American political issues, POLS 101 will introduce students to all of Political Science, with only one week dedicated to American politics, and then as it fits into the larger discussion of Political Science.</p>
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Section 3. Other Course Information

3.1. Are there instructional staffing impacts?

- No.** Schedule Management, explain: Consolidation of POLS 100 sections (i.e. no offering as many sections of POLS 100) and more efficient scheduling of courses creates space in teaching schedules/loads to offer POLS 101 regularly.

3.2. Existing program(s) in which course will be offered: POLS

3.3. Proposed instructional method by university: R-Lecture

3.4. Proposed delivery method by university: U01 Face-to-face Term Based Instruction

3.5. Term change will be effective: Fall 2020

3.6. Can students repeat the course for additional credit?

- Yes, total credit limit: _____ No

3.7. Will grade for this course be limited to S/U (pass/fail)?

- Yes No

3.8. Will section enrollment be capped?

- Yes, max per section: _____ No

3.9. Will this course equate (i.e., be considered the same course for degree completion) with any other unique or common courses in the common course system database in Colleague and the [Course Inventory Report](#)?

- Yes No

3.10. Is this prefix approved for your university?

- Yes No

Section 4. Department and Course Codes (Completed by University Academic Affairs)

4.1. University Department Code: UPOL

4.2. Proposed [CIP Code](#): 45.1001

Is this a new CIP code for the university? Yes No