

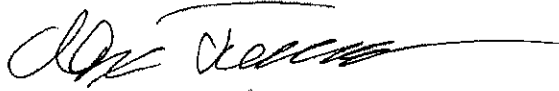
Memorandum

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To: Professor Gordon Miller
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From: Professor Alex Tuckness
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The Department of Political Science wants to expand the number of dual-listed courses in our department. After consultation with both the graduate and undergraduate curriculum committees, our view is that doing so will strengthen both the undergraduate and graduate programs. The nature of political science courses means that it is often possible to have lecture or discussion classes where the material is accessible both to graduate students and advanced undergraduates, and graduate students can have additional research, reading, and writing expectations beyond the undergraduate level. We already have a number of dual listed course that have worked well, and there is nothing substantive differentiating those that are already dual listed from those that are not. By dual-listing more 500 level courses, we can expand the number of 400 level classes available to undergraduates where they can enjoy smaller class sizes and rigorous instruction at no additional fiscal cost to the university. By dual-listing more 400 level courses, we can allow much more curricular flexibility for our graduate students who are in a small program, again at no additional fiscal cost.

Our proposal is as follows:

Add 500 level sections for the following 400 level courses:

- 422 International Law
- 430 Foundations of Western Political Thought
- 453 International Organizations
- 470 Political Game Theory

Add 400 level sections for the following 500 level classes:

- 507 Proseminar in Public Policy
- 508X Policy Implementation
- 560 American Political Institutions.

We are attaching the dual-list forms for each of these courses. Each instructor was given a sample template and asked to adapt it to their particular course. All of these courses will have differential workloads and expectations for 400 level and 500 level students.

We also reviewed our other dual-listed courses and determined that Pol Sci 485/585 Comparative Public Administration is unlikely to be taught in the future and should be removed from the catalog. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

All approved by LtSCC
on Feb 17, 2017

