**Potter College of Arts & Letters**

**Western Kentucky University**

**745-2345**

**REPORT TO THE UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE**

Date: September 26, 2013

The Potter College of Arts & Letters submits the following items for consideration:

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| **Type of Item** | **Description of Item & Contact Information** |
| Action | **Proposal to Make Multiple Revisions to a Course**  POP 498 Senior Seminar in Popular Culture Studies  Contact: Anthony Harkins, [anthony.harkins@wku.edu](mailto:anthony.harkins@wku.edu), 5-3149 |
| Action | **Proposal to Revise a Program**  702 International Affairs Major  Contact: Roger Murphy, [roger.murphy@wku.edu](mailto:roger.murphy@wku.edu); 5-2890 |

Proposal Date:08/19/13

**Potter College of Arts & Letters**

**Proposal to Make Multiple Revisions to a Course**

**(Action Item)**

Contact Person: Tony Harkins, [Anthony.harkins@wku.edu](mailto:Anthony.harkins@wku.edu), 5-3149

**1. Identification of course:**

* 1. Current course prefix (subject area) and number: POP 498
  2. Course title: Senior Seminar in Popular Culture Studies

**2. Revise course title: N/A**

* 1. Current course title:
  2. Proposed course title: n/a
  3. Proposed abbreviated title:n/a
  4. Rationale for revision of course title: n/a

**3. Revise course number: N/A**

* 1. Current course number:
  2. Proposed course number: n/a
  3. Rationale for revision of course number: n/a

**4. Revise course prerequisites/corequisites/special requirements:**

4.1 Current prerequisites/corequisites/special requirements: (indicate which): POP 101 and at least 21 credit-hours in major and senior standing, or permission of instructor

4.2 Proposed prerequisites/corequisites/special requirements: POP 201 and at least 21 credit hours in major and senior standing, or permission of instructor

4.3 Rationale for revision of course prerequisites/corequisites/special requirements: POP 101 has previously been renumbered POP 201 and wording of prerequisites should reflect this change

4.4 Effect on completion of major/minor sequence: None

**5. Revise course catalog listing: N/A**

* 1. Current course catalog listing:
  2. Proposed course catalog listing: n/a
  3. Rationale for revision of course catalog listing:

**6. Revise course credit hours:**

* 1. Current course credit hours: 4
  2. Proposed course credit hours: 1
  3. Rationale for revision of course credit hours: Course meets for 1 hour/week so credit change will match new CPE standards for minutes per credit hour. Reduced total credit hours in major will also be an added incentive for students who wish to double major in Popular Culture Studies.

**7.** **Revise grade type: N/A**

7.1 Current grade type:

7.2 Proposed grade type: n/a

7.3 Rationale for revision of grade type: n/a

**8. Proposed term for implementation: 201410**

**9. Dates of prior committee approvals:**

Popular Culture Studies Curriculum Committee August 23, 2013

Potter College Curriculum Committee September 6, 2013

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**Attachment: Course Inventory Form**

Proposal Date: March 22, 2013

**Potter College of Arts & Letters**

**Department of Political Science**

**Proposal to Revise A Program**

**(Action Item)**

Contact Person: Roger Murphy, [roger.murphy@wku.edu](mailto:roger.murphy@wku.edu), 270-745-2890

**1. Identification of program:**

* 1. Current program reference number: 702
  2. Current program title: International Affairs Major
  3. Credit hours: 45

**2. Identification of the proposed program changes:**

* Change in program to add SOCL353 (Sociology of Modern Japan) and SOCL376 (International Sociology) as electives for the major.

**3. Detailed program description:**

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| **Current Program** | **Proposed Program** |
| The remaining 15 hours of electives should be chosen from the following courses with no more than 6 semester hours from one academic discipline. Students should consult the appropriate department and course catalog for prerequisites. COMM 463; ECON 380, 385, 386, 496; FIN 433, 436; FLK 340, 350; FREN 323, 427; GERM 202, 335; GEOG 278, 425, 455, 464, 465, 466, 467, 485; HIST 299, 324, 335, 360, 365, 370, 425, 438, 439, 461, 462, 465, 471, 472, 494; JOUR 354; MGT 316, 403; MKT 324; RELS 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 308, 324; SPAN 372, 373 | The remaining 15 hours of electives should be chosen from the following courses with no more than 6 semester hours from one academic discipline. Students should consult the appropriate department and course catalog for prerequisites. COMM 463; ECON 380, 385, 386, 496; FIN 433, 436; FLK 340, 350; FREN 323, 427; GERM 202, 335; GEOG 278, 425, 455, 464, 465, 466, 467, 485; HIST 299, 324, 335, 360, 365, 370, 425, 438, 439, 461, 462, 465, 471, 472, 494; JOUR 354; MGT 316, 403; MKT 324; RELS 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 308, 324; **SOCL 353, 376;**  SPAN 372, 373 |

**4. Rationale for the proposed program change:**

* The International Affairs major is designed to prepare students for success in a global society. It integrates the information, techniques and skills of several disciplines to study and understand the complexity of the international environment. It is important to update the elective course options for the students to take advantage of new courses offered at WKU. International Sociology and the Sociology of Modern Japan are valuable additions to students pursuing an International Affairs major for the opportunities to examine and evaluate human behavior across societies and cultures.

**5. Proposed term for implementation and special provisions (if applicable):**

* Spring 2014

**6. Dates of prior committee approvals:**

Department of Political Science March 21, 2013

Potter College Curriculum Committee May 2, 2013

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