EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES, ARTS, & SOCIAL SCIENCE
REPORT TO THE RIVERSIDE DIVISION
May 30, 2006

To be adopted:

Proposed Changes to Political Science Major

PRESENT:
1. Lower-division requirements (16 units) / (four courses). The following lower-division courses are required: POSC 005; POSC 010; POSC 015 or POSC 017; and POSC 020
2. Upper-division requirements (36 units) / (nine courses)
   a) One course from each of the following areas:
      (1) U.S. Government and Politics:
          POSC 100, POSC 101, POSC 143, POSC 145, POSC 146, POSC 148, POSC 149, POSC 166, POSC 167, POSC 168, POSC 170, POSC 171, POSC 172/URST 172, POSC 173, POSC 181, POSC 182, POSC 183, POSC 186
      (2) Comparative Government and Politics:
          POSC 151, POSC 152, POSC 153, POSC 154, POSC 155, POSC 157, POSC 158/LNST 148, POSC 160, POSC 162/LNST 162
      (3) International Relations and Foreign Policy: POSC 123, POSC 124, POSC 125, POSC 126, POSC 127, POSC 128, POSC 129, POSC 130
      (4) Political Theory: POSC 110, POSC 111, POSC 112, POSC 113, POSC 116, POSC 122
   b) Twenty (20) additional units in Political Science course work (Not more than 8 units from the 190 series and POSC 142L and POSC 142M are allowed toward the 36-unit upper-division requirement.)

PROPOSED:
1. Lower-division requirements (4 courses) The following lower division courses are required: POSC 005; POSC 010; POSC 015 or POSC 017; and POSC 020
2. Upper-division requirements (9 courses)
   a) One course from each of the following areas:
      (1) U.S. Government and Politics: POSC 100, POSC 101, POSC 143, POSC 145, POSC 146, POSC 148, POSC 149, POSC 166, POSC 167, POSC 168, POSC 170, POSC 171, POSC 172/URST 172, POSC 173, POSC 180, POSC 181, POSC 182, POSC 183, POSC 186
      (2) Comparative Government and Politics: POSC 151, POSC 152, POSC 153, POSC 154, POSC 155, POSC 157, POSC 158/LNST 148, POSC 159, POSC 160, POSC 162/LNST 162, POSC 164
      (3) International Relations and Foreign Policy: POSC 123, POSC 124, POSC 125, POSC 126, POSC 127, POSC 128, POSC 129, POSC 130
      (4) Political Theory: POSC 110, POSC 111, POSC 112, POSC 113, POSC 116, POSC 122
   b) Five additional courses in Political Science course work (Not more than 2 courses from the 190 series and POSC 142L and POSC 142M are allowed toward the nine courses upper-division requirement.)
**JUSTIFICATION:**
All of the lower division Political Science courses (POSC 5, 10, 15, 17, and 20) have been increased to five units. The Department is conforming to new catalog language by stating requirements in terms of courses rather than units. Also, POSC 159 and 164 have been added to the Comparative Government and Politics area. And POSC 180 has been added to the U.S. Government and Politics area.

**APPROVALS:**

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