



MEMORANDUM

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To: Angela Jacobs, Chair, CGS
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RE: Executive Action Taken at the CLAS Curriculum Committee Meeting on Apr 29, 2020

The following request was approved by executive action at the CLAS Curriculum Committee meeting on April 29, 2020. The request would be effective Fall 2020. I ask that similar action be taken at the Council on Graduate Studies.

Request: To allow the following courses to be offered online.

PLS 4774/American Constitutional Law

(3-0-3) F. An analysis of Supreme Court decisions on federalism; powers of the President, Congress and the Supreme Court; commerce; taxation; and the civil liberties of the individual. Prerequisites & Notes: PLS 1153G or permission of the instructor; junior standing or above. Credits: 3

PLS 4943/American Political Thought

(3-0-3) F-odd-numbered years. This course investigates the evolution of American political thought and examines the social and political ideologies that have shaped the American political system, including Puritanism, Populism, Progressivism, and Reform Liberalism. This course also studies the role of American political thought in the development of American politics and policy. WI Prerequisites & Notes: PLS 1153G or permission of the instructor. Credits: 3

PLS 5023/Proseminar in International Politics

(3-0-3) Approaches to the study of international politics and contemporary world problems. Prerequisites & Notes: Nine semester hours in the social sciences or permission of the instructor. Credits: 3

Rationale for change:

All of these courses can be taught in an online environment, with the same content and learning goals. All faculty teaching these courses are OCDI certified or have equivalent training. The online offerings offer flexibility in scheduling if needed.

Effective Date:

Fall 2020