

**Division of Behavioral and Social Sciences  
Political Science Department Meeting  
November 29, 2011**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** E. Antoine, L. Houske, E. Muñoz, L. Widman

**Meeting began at:** 1:05 p.m.

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**Future Scheduling/Online Apportionment Changes**

G. Miranda discussed scheduling for winter, spring and summer and stated that the division is working on the fall schedule. She noted that at this time no additional section cuts are anticipated to the fall 2012 schedule.

Future schedule rotation for Political Science 5 and 8 were discussed. G. Miranda will schedule POLI 5 in fall 2012 as a day offering and in spring as an evening one. The UC transferability issue regarding POLI 8 and the impact on transfer was discussed.

Faculty was informed that the college is now receiving less apportionment for distance education/online classes. This may impact the number of sections to be offered in the future.

A brief discussion on spring 2011 success and retention rates for campus and online classes was distributed and reviewed.

**Plan Builder Updates**

The department is working on the 2012-13 plan. Objectives for 2011-12 are to be reviewed to determine if they will be rolled over into the next year's plan.

**Curriculum**

The department discussed how to address the need for a new political science theory course that is a requirement for UC bound majors. The current POLI 3 course satisfies CSU bound Political Science majors only. L. Houske will work on either completing the new course proposal for political philosophy or revising the existing course to satisfy both CSU and UCs. Articulation officer L. Suekawa might be able to provide information for completing the UC requirements.

The department is on course for completing its six-year course review cycle. No new course updates will be needed until Fall 2013.

**SLOs**

E. Munoz reported that the department is up to date on its assessments.

**Program Review**

L. Houske and E. Munoz will be spearheading program review. They plan to attend the orientation meeting scheduled for next week.

### **Department History**

J. Georges has begun to write a history of the ECC Political Science Department. He has sent a draft of biographies of some of the faculty. He has not received feedback from D. Gregory and M. Moxley. G. Miranda will go through their files and send relevant information to Joe. He plans to complete the department history before Christmas.

### **Department Activities/Political Science Club**

L. Houske reported that this semester's Political Science Club has not been as consistent as in previous semesters and has about eight regular members at the present time.

### **Other**

#### **SOCS Building**

In anticipation of a meeting with the SOCS building architects next week, G. Miranda asked faculty to identify any relevant comments that can be presented at the meeting. The department identified issues with temperature control, classroom sizes, the frosted windows, and the need for more maps in the classrooms. Also noted was the malfunctioning of some computers and VCR/DVDs.

### **Adjuncts**

The current part-time pool may need to be enlarged. A part-time job announcement can be sent out in the spring semester.

**Meeting adjourned at:** 1:55 p.m.

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