

**ROUTING FORM FOR PROPOSED CHANGES TO ACADEMIC POLICY, CURRICULUM CHANGES, STATUTES
EAST GEORGIA STATE COLLEGE**

NAME OF POLICY/ PROPOSAL: Change to Political Science Program Area F Course Requirements

Attach a complete copy of the proposed change as acted upon by the APCC or Faculty Senate. If changes made to proposal prior to adopting, please note the person and governance body making the change on the proposal, initial and date the change. Copies of appropriate documentation should be attached to the form with each submission and should be retained at each level. Please indicate the type of proposal being submitted:

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ACADEMIC POLICIES AND CURRICULUM COMMITTEE (APCC)

Initiated and Submitted to APCC

Dr. Matt Johnson
Signature

1-7-20
Date

Dean Approval:

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Signature

1/7/20
Date

APCC Action: Approved Denied Returned Tabled

Signature of Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs, Chair Date

Comments: _____

APCC Chair submits to Faculty Senate

FACULTY SENATE

Faculty Senate Action: Approved Denied Returned Tabled

Signature of Faculty Senate President Date

Comments: _____

Faculty Senate President sends to EGSC President and to the Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs

Note: Revisions to EGSC Statutes require approval of President's Cabinet and must be submitted to Chief of Staff/Legal Counsel for routing to President's Cabinet and routing to President. Please indicate "EGSC Statutes revision" on this form.

PRESIDENT

President's (or designee's) Action: Approved Denied Returned Tabled

Signature Date

Comments: _____

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Faculty Senate—President Date _____

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Change to Political Science Program Area F Course Requirements

Current Political Science Program Area F Course Requirements

The EGSC Catalog says students earning associate of arts degrees in Political Science must complete 18 credit hours of courses in the Political Science Program's Area F (EGSC Catalog 68). There are 9 credit hours of required courses in area F. Political Science majors must complete all the following courses: POLS 2101 Introduction to Political Science, POLS 2301 Introduction to Comparative Politics, and POLS 2401 Global Issues. The remaining 9 credit hours are guided electives. Political Science majors may select any three of the following courses: MATH 1401 Elementary Statistics, ECON 2105 Principles of Macroeconomics, ECON 2106 Principles of Microeconomics, HIST 2111 US History to 1865, HIST 2112 US History since 1865, and SOCI 1160 Social Problems.

Change to Political Science Program Area F Course Requirements

The number of credit hours of required courses in area F should decrease from 9 to 6 and POLS 2101 Introduction to Political Science should be removed from the list of required courses and added to the list of guided electives. Only the following should be required courses: POLS 2301 Introduction to Comparative Politics and POLS 2401 Global Issues. The number of guided electives should increase from 9 to 12. Political Science majors should select any three of the following courses: POLS 2101 Introduction to Political Science, MATH 1401 Elementary Statistics, ECON 2105 Principles of Macroeconomics, ECON 2106 Principles of Microeconomics, HIST 2111 US History to 1865, HIST 2112 US History since 1865, and SOCI 1160 Social Problems.

Justification for Change to Political Science Program Area F Course Requirements

POLS 2101 Introduction to Political Science is a Political Science Area F required course. However, it rarely has high enough enrollment to justify offering it. Not offering POLS 2101 Introduction to Political Science due to low enrollment creates several undesirable alternatives: (1) students majoring in Political Science delaying graduation, (2) political science faculty teaching it as an independent study, and (3) students majoring in Political Science asking the Dean of Humanities and Social Sciences for an exception to the Political Science Area F course requirements. Changing POLS 2101 Introduction to Political Science from a Political Science Area F required course to a Political Science Area F guided elective solves this problem. Students majoring in Political Science could fulfill the Political Science Program Area F requirements without taking POLS 2101 Introduction to Political Science. If POLS 2101 Introduction to Political Science could not be offered due to insufficient enrollment, there would be no need for Political Science majors to delay graduation, Political Science faculty to offer it as a guided elective, or for Political Science majors to seek exceptions to the Political Science Area F course requirements.