California State University Channel Islands

NEW COURSE PROPOSAL

Courses must be submitted by November 2, 2009, for priority catalog review.

DATE (Change if modified and redate file with current date)  NOVEMBER 1, 2009; REV 12.1.09

PROGRAM AREAS(S) BUSINESS & ECONOMICS

1. Course Information. [Follow accepted catalog format.]

Prefix(es) (Add additional prefixes if cross-listed) and Course No. ECON 496
Title: SEMINAR IN ECONOMIC ANALYSIS  Units: 3

X Prerequisites ECON 310 and 311

Corequisites
Consent of Instructor Required for Enrollment

Catalog Description (Do not use any symbols): In-depth analysis of major events and trends in domestic and international economics. Focus on empirical techniques and the practical application of economics in a variety of settings.

Grading Scheme: Repeatability: Course Level Information:
X A-F Grades  Repeatable for a maximum of  X Undergraduate units

Credit/No Credit  Total Completions Allowed  Post-Baccalaureate/Credential
Optional (Student Choice)  Multiple Enrollment in Same Semester  Graduate

Mode of Instruction/Components (Hours per Unit are defaulted).

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Leave the following hours per week areas blank. The hours per week will be filled out for you.
3 hours seminar per week

2. Course Attributes:

General Education Categories: All courses with GE category notations (including deletions) must be submitted to the GE website: http://summit.csuci.edu/geapproval. Upon completion, the GE Committee will forward your documents to the Curriculum Committee for further processing.

A (English Language, Communication, Critical Thinking)
- A-1 Oral Communication
- A-2 English Writing
- A-3 Critical Thinking

B (Mathematics, Sciences & Technology)
- B-1 Physical Sciences
- B-2 Life Sciences – Biology
- B-3 Mathematics – Mathematics and Applications
- B-4 Computers and Information Technology

C (Fine Arts, Literature, Languages & Cultures)
- C-1 Art
- C-2 Literature Courses
- C-3a Language
3. **Justification and Requirements for the Course.** (Make a brief statement to justify the need for the course)

A. Justification: The economics major core courses currently focus primarily on economic theory. Our graduates, then, sometimes have little understanding of how economics is used and applied outside of academia. This required course will have an explicit focus on actual events and the role of economic thought in shaping business and policy decisions.

B. Degree Requirement: X Requirement for the Major/Minor

Note: Submit Program Modification if this course changes your program.

4. **Learning Objectives.** (List in numerical order. You may wish to use the following resource in utilizing measurable verbs: http://senate.csuci.edu/comm/curriculum/resources.htm)

Upon completion of the course, the student will be able to:

- explain current economic trends, both domestic and international
- analyze the role of economics in business and policy decisions
- apply economic rationale to the solution of practical problems

5. **Course Content in Outline Form.** [Be as brief as possible, but use as much space as necessary]

(Topics of focus may vary by semester)

- Discussion of Economic trends: Growth, Unemployment, Trade, Inflation, Exchange Rates, etc.
- International Perspectives
- Economics and Interdisciplinary Perspectives: Environment, Inequality, Gender, Culture
- Business Applications
- Economics in Public Policy
- Economic Consulting

Does this course content overlap with a course offered in your academic program? Yes [ ] No X

If YES, what course(s) and provide a justification of the overlap.

Does this course content overlap a course offered in another academic area? Yes [ ] No X

If YES, what course(s) and provide a justification of the overlap.

Overlapping courses require Chairs’ signatures.

6. **Cross-listed Courses** (Please note each prefix in item No. 1)

A. List Cross-listed Courses (Signature of Academic Chair(s) of the other academic area(s) is required).

List each cross-listed prefix for the course: [ ]

B. Program responsible for staffing: [ ]

7. **References.** [Provide 3 - 5 references]
As a seminar course, materials will vary by topic and semester.

8. Tenure Track Faculty Qualified to Teach This Course.

Economics Faculty

9. Requested Effective Date:
First semester offered: Fall 2010

10. New Resources Requested. Yes ☐ No X
If YES, list the resources needed.

A. Computer Needs (data processing, audio visual, broadcasting, other equipment, etc.)

B. Library Needs (streaming media, video hosting, databases, exhibit space, etc.)

C. Facility/Space/Transportation Needs

D. Lab Fee Requested (please refer to Dean’s Office for additional processing) Yes ☐ No ☐

E. Other

11. Will this new course alter any degree, credential, certificate, or minor in your program? Yes X No ☐
If YES attach a program update or program modification form for all programs affected.
Priority deadline for New Minors and Programs: October 5, 2009 of preceding year.
Priority deadline for Course Proposals and Modifications: November 2, 2009, of preceding year.
Last day to submit forms to be considered during the current academic year: April 15th.

Paul Rivera November 1, 2009
Proposer of Course (Type in name. Signatures will be collected after Curriculum approval) Date
Approval Sheet

**Program/Course:** ECON 498 Seminar in Economic Analysis

If your course has a General Education Component or involves Center affiliation, the Center will also sign off during the approval process.

Multiple Chair fields are available for cross-listed courses.

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