CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY CHANNEL ISLANDS

NEW COURSE PROPOSAL

PROGRAM AREA POLITICAL SCIENCE

1. Catalog Description of the Course. [Follow accepted catalog format.]

Prefix POLS Course# 321 Title PUBLIC BUDGETING Units (3)

3 hours Lecture per week

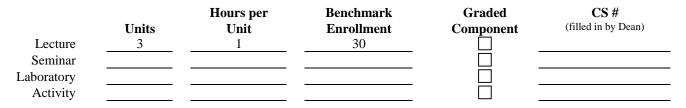
Prerequisites

Corequisites

Description Examines the major concepts of public budgeting and finance in the United States. Key topics of study include: expenditure estimation, revenue forecasting, capital budgeting, budget reform and financial management. The politics that characterizes the budgetary process will be emphasized throughout.

Gen Ed	Graded	Repeatable for up to units
Categories	$\square \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{F}$	Total Completions Allowed
	Optional (Student's choice)	Multiple Enrollment in same semester

2. Mode of Instruction.



3. Justification and Learning Objectives for the Course. (Indicate whether required or elective, and whether it meets University Writing, and/or Language requirements) [Use as much space as necessary]

Justification: This is an elective course in the Political Science major. This course is commonly taught in political science programs and often is a required course in public administration emphases or minors.

Learning Objectives:

Upon completion of this course students will be able to: (*Press enter for the next bulleted item*)

- Forecast revenues based on an historic pattern of collections using spreadsheet software
- Estimate budgetary expenditures based on policy need and accurate cost estimation
- Using the internet, locate and interpret local, state and federal budget documents
- Discuss the major theories of budgeting and budget politics in the US
- Describe the major patterns of historic fiscal policy in the United States
- Evalaute the various options being proposed for reform of the budgeting system (e.g. balanced budget amendment, biannual budgeting)
- Evaluate the fiscal impact of major public policy proposals such as Social Security and Medicare reform

4. Is this a General Education Course YES NO XI If Yes, indicate GE category and attach GE Criteria Form:

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	
C-3b Multicultural	
D (Social Perspectives)	
E (Human Psychological and Physiological Perspectives)	
UD Interdisciplinary	

- **5.** Course Content in Outline Form. [Be as brief as possible, but use as much space as necessary] (Press enter for the next bulleted item)
 - Budget Cycles
 - Revenue Projection and Taxation
 - Expenditure Estimation
 - Central Office Review
 - Budget Balancing
 - Policy and Program Analysis
 - Budget Approval and the Role of the Legislature
 - Budget Approval: The Special Case of Congress
 - Budget Execution
 - Financial Management: Accounting, Auditing and Information Systems
 - Capital Budgeting and Debt
 - Intergovernmental Relations and Grants
 - Government, The Economy and Economic Development

Does this course overlap a course offered in your academic program? YES \square NO \boxtimes If YES, what course(s) and provide a justification of the overlap?

Does this course overlap a course offered in another academic area? YES NO

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

Signature of Academic Chair of the other academic area is required on the consultation sheet below.

6. Cross-listed Courses (Please fill out separate form for each PREFIX)

List Cross-listed Courses

Signature of Academic Chair(s) of the other academic area(s) is required on the consultation sheet below

Department responsible for staffing: POLS

7. References. [*Provide 3 - 5 references on which this course is based and/or support it.*] (*Press enter for the next number*)

- 1. Bland, Robert L. and Irene S. Rubin. 1997. Budgeting; A Guide for Local Governments. (Washington, D.C.: International City/County Management Association)
- 2. Gianakis, Gerasimos A. and Clifford P. McCue. 1999. Local Government Budgeting: A Managerial Approach. (Westport, CT: Praeger)
- 3. Lee, Robert D. Jr. and Ronald W. Johnson. 1998. Public Budgeting Systems. (Gaithersburg, MD: Aspen Publishers, Inc.)
- 4. Rubin, Irene S. 1997. The Politics of Public Budgeting: Getting and Spending, Borrowing and Balancing. (Chatham, NJ: Chatham House Publishers).
- 5. Wildavsky, Aaron and Naomi Caiden. 2003. The New Politics of the Budgetary Process. (New York: Longman)

8. List Faculty Qualified to Teach This Course.

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9. Frequency.

a. Projected semesters to be offered: Fall 🗌 Spring 🖾 Summer 🗌

10. New Resources Required. YES 🗌 NO 🖂

If YES, list the resources needed and obtain signatures from the appropriate programs/units on the consultation sheet below.

- a. Computer (data processing), audio visual, broadcasting needs, other equipment)
- b. Library needs
- c. Facility/space needs
- **11.** Will this new course alter any degree, credential, certificate, or minor in your program? YES INO IF, YES attach a program modification form for all programs affected.

Scott A. Frisch Proposer of Course 9/20/2005 Date