

Cornerstone Designation Proposal Form

(Revised 03/13/08)

Educational Policy and Curriculum Committee

1. Department: Political Science
2. Course Number and Title: PoSC 230 West European Politics
3. What Cornerstone designation(s) are you requesting? 7
4. Course Description (catalog description):

An examination of the politics and policies of the major West European powers, as well as the unique dynamics of the European Union. Emphasis will be on comparative political structures and public policies, as well as the numerous cultural and political differences between the West European democracies and the United States.

5. Cornerstone description(s): These classes are designed to introduce students to other countries and cultures and address issues such as ethnocentrism and cultural relativity. Through this introduction students will gain new perspectives on and appreciation for other cultural traditions. Students will be challenged to reflect and look more deeply at their own culture and see how their culture fits within a larger world context.

6. Rationale for designating this course a Cornerstone: This course focuses on cultural differences between Europe and the US, specific differences in political organization and policy between European countries and the US, and the unique role of the European Union in European politics.

7. What affect will designating this course as a Cornerstone have on the Department, teaching load, frequency of offering? None.

Approved By:

10/2/08

Signature of Department Chair or  
Program Director/Chair

Date

REVIEWED BY:

10/3/08

Signature of Division Chair

Date

Comments:

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Signature of Academic Dean

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Comments:

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Signature of Cornerstone Director \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Reviewers: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Department: Political Science  
2. Course Number and Title: POLS 230 West European  
3. What Cornerstone designation(s) are you requesting? Politics

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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