

# Proposal Form

## Educational Policy and Curriculum Committee

**PLEASE COMPLETE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 5:**

1. Fill in the name and number of the course, the name of the policy, or the curriculum/major proposed for modification.

Course REL 102 Introduction to Christian Thought

Policy \_\_\_\_\_

Curriculum or major\* \_\_\_\_\_

\* submit copies of the current and proposed requirements for the major

2. Addition \_\_\_\_\_ Deletion \_\_\_\_\_ Change X

3. Does this proposal impact other majors or minors? Yes\*\* \_\_\_ No X

4. Does this proposal impact the Cornerstone program? Yes\*\* X No \_\_\_

5. Does this proposal impact teacher licensure? Yes\*\* \_\_\_ No X

\*\* If yes, obtain appropriate signatures (signifying review) below.

**Attach a statement that addresses each of items 6 through 11:**

6. Nomenclature of course(s) (Department, Number, Title, Credit Hours)

7. Catalog description of course(s) (including prerequisites), curriculum or policy  
(For changes, please submit a description of the existing course, policy, or curriculum.)

8. Relationship to major, other disciplines and frequency of offering

9. Proposed configuration [traditional (MWF 50 min. or TTh 75 min.) or other]

10. (a) A complete statement of the proposal's rationale to assist consideration by the EPCC

(b) A 5-line summary of the rationale to be presented to the full faculty

11. Cost estimates and staff estimates

**APPROVED BY:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of proposer

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Date

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Signature of Division Chair

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Signature of Department Chair

**REVIEWED BY:**

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Signature of Academic Dean

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Signature of Education Department Chair\*\*

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Signature of Department Chair in affected major\*\*

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Signature of Cornerstone Director\*\*

\*\*if applicable

Upon completion of this form, print a copy to be circulated for signatures. In addition, send a copy of the proposal as an email attachment to epcc@simpson.edu

## PROPOSED CHANGE of REL 102

### EXISTING COURSE

#### **102. Introduction to Religion: Belief and Unbelief.**

An introduction to religious studies focusing on the religious meaning of being human in the modern world. The nature of religion, the diversity of religions, the nature of religious knowledge, and the significance of a religious orientation in modern society are examined. *Cornerstone 4A*. Three hours.

### PROPOSED CHANGE

#### **102. Introduction to Christian Thought**

An introduction to the major ideas, authorities, and themes of Christian theology, including interpretations of the trinity, creation, salvation, and church as understood through scripture, tradition, reason, and experience. *Cornerstone 4A*. Three hours.

### RELATIONSHIP TO MAJOR, OTHER DISCIPLINES, AND FREQUENCY OF OFFERING

Religion major: Required.  
Offered at least once per academic year.

### PROPOSED CONFIGURATION

MWF

### RATIONALE FOR CHANGE

Current course description reflects outdated methodology and does not reflect the training and interests of current faculty. New course works as both a general curriculum offering and a departmental prerequisite.

### COST ESTIMATES AND STAFF ESTIMATES

N/A