New Course Request

Indiana University

South Bend Campus

Check Appropriate Boxes: Undergraduate credit [X]  Graduate credit [ ]  Professional credit [ ]

1. School/Division: College of Liberal Arts & Sciences  2. Academic Subject Code: POLS
3. Course Number: Y359 (must be cleared with University Enrollment Services)  4. Instructor: Candler
5. Course Title: Economics and Public Management
   Recommended Abbreviation (Optional) (Limited to 32 Characters including spaces)

6. First time this course is to be offered (Semester/Year): Fall 2008
7. Credit Hours: Fixed at 3 or Variable from ________ to ________
8. Is this course to be graded S-F (only)? Yes [X] No [ ]
9. Is variable title approval being requested? Yes [ ] No [X]
10. Course description (not to exceed 50 words) for Bulletin publication: The application of economics to public policy, and to public management: theories of market failures, economic stabilization, redistribution, the evaluation of public expenditures, and fiscal federalism.

11. Lecture Contact Hours: Fixed at ________ or Variable from ________ to ________
12. Non-Lecture Contact Hours: Fixed at ________ or Variable from ________ to ________
13. Estimated enrollment: ________ of which ________ percent are expected to be graduate students.
14. Frequency of scheduling: annual [X] Will this course be required for majors? Yes [ ]
15. Justification for new course: Replaces V371 in the existing BSPA
16. Are the necessary reading materials currently available in the appropriate library? Yes [X] No [ ]
17. Please append a complete outline of the proposed course, and indicate instructor (if known), textbooks, and other materials.
18. If this course overlaps with existing courses, please explain with which courses it overlaps and whether this overlap is necessary, desirable, or unimportant.
19. A copy of every new course proposal must be submitted to departments, schools, or divisions in which there may be overlap of the new course with existing courses or areas of strong concern, with instructions that they send comments directly to the originating Curriculum Committee. Please append a list of departments, schools, or divisions thus consulted.

Submitted by:

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Department Chairman/Division Director

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Chancellor/Vice-President

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University Enrollment Services

After School/Division approval, forward the last copy (without attachments) to University Enrollment Services for initial processing, and the remaining four copies and attachments to the Campus Chancellor or Vice-President.

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ECONOMICS AND PUBLIC MANAGEMENT
Indiana University South Bend

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

Though pundits are fond of defining government and markets – or politics and economics – as two separate realms, the two are closely related. Business firms are clearly influenced by government action. More important for this close, public policies can fail if they seek policy goals that market forces are pushing against. This class applies micro and macro-economic principles to public management.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

Work (tests, homework, papers, etc.) that you do for this course must be your own. Your conduct must conform to the Indiana University Code of Student Rights, Responsibilities and Conduct pages 17-18. This document is also available on the web at http://www.iusb.edu/~stulife/ Code of Student Rights, Responsibilities and Conduct Section III. Please see me if you have any additional questions.

BOOKS AND MATERIALS REQUIRED


To contain further student expenditure, we will also make use of (free) electronic materials available on line, through three media. First, EBSCO Host Research Databases, available on the Schurz Library system. To see if you can access these, try to click on the following. For off-campus access to this, you may need to reconfigure your browser:


A second very useful database is JSTOR. To see if you can access these, try to click on the following. For off-campus access to this, you may need to reconfigure your browser:

Second, there is a lot of useful stuff available just through normal web links. Try, for instance, this link to American Society for Public Administration.

Readings

Date -- Topic (Readings)

Introduction

29 Aug -- What is economics?
- Why 'public management economics'?
- What is economics?
  o Parkin, ch. 1
- Introduction to the course

Markets

5 Sep -- Demand and supply
- The production possibilities frontier
  o Parkin, ch. 2
- Demand and supply
  o Parkin, ch. 3

12 Sep -- Elasticity
- Elasticity
  o Parkin, ch. 4

19 Sep -- Efficiency and equity
- Efficiency and equity
  o Parkin, ch. 5

26 Sep -- Markets in action
- Markets in action
  o Parkin, ch. 6
  o "November's $5.15 question." The Economist, July 1, 2006, p. 30-31. EBSCO link.

3 Oct -- Consumption
- Utility and demand
  o Parkin, ch. 7
  o "DeBeers is it." The Economist, December 19, p. 89-90. EBSCO link.
- Possibilities, preferences and choices
  o Parkin, ch. 8

Organizations
10 Oct -- Organizing production
- Organizing production
  - Parkin, ch. 9
- Output and costs
  - Parkin, ch. 10

17 Oct -- Midterm exam
- Midterm exam
- Perfect competition
  - Parkin, ch. 11

24 Oct -- Monopoly and oligopoly
- Monopoly, etc.
  - Parkin, ch. 12
  - Parkin, ch. 13
- Regulation and anti-trust law
  - Parkin, ch. 14

31 Oct -- Externalities
- Externalities
  - Parkin, ch. 15
- Public goods and common resources
  - Parkin, ch. 16

Macro-economics

7 Nov -- A first look at macro-economics
- A first look at macroeconomics
  - Parkin, ch. 20
- Macro-economics II: measuring GDP and economic growth
  - Parkin, ch. 21

14 Nov -- Economic cycles and growth
- Parkin, ch. 22
- Economic growth
  - Parkin, ch. 25.

28 Nov -- Inequality
- Economic inequality
  - Parkin, ch. 18
- Trading with the world
  - Parkin, ch. 33.

5 Dec -- Uncertainty and information
- Future directions?
  Online link.
disgovernance." Centre de études monétaires e financieres, Dijon, France. Available 
online.

- Uncertainty and information
  - Parkin, ch. 19

12 Dec -- Final exam