

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, BAKERSFIELD

ACADEMIC SENATE

CHANGES IN EMPHASES IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

RES 141508

CCC

RESOLVED: that the Academic Senate recommend the adoption of the following emphases changes in the Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science:

a new emphasis in Power and Justice;

a new emphasis in Global Politics;

the revised emphasis in Pre-Law;

the discontinuance of the emphasis in American Politics;

the discontinuance of the emphasis in International Relations-Comparative Government; and be it further

RESOLVED: that the changes be implemented for fall semester 2016.

RATIONALE: The Department Political Science articulated how the subfields of the discipline have changed and propose to strengthen the analytic skills and knowledge base of students through an enhanced commitment to global politics (Global Politics) and the development of leaders, intermediaries, in the political and policy process (Power and Justice), while retaining preparation for professional change agents in the legal area (Pre-Law).

Based on assessment data, the UPRC Self-Study process, and the UPRC report, the changes are intended to shorten the time to degree, facilitate the transfer process, and provide greater flexibility for students in majors and minors across the campus.

The above changes have been approved by the SSE School Curriculum Committee and the Curriculum Conversion Committee and reviewed for budgetary impact by the Chair of the AS Budget and Planning Committee.

Distribution List:

Approved by the Academic Senate on October 30, 2014

Sent to the President for approval on November 5, 2014

Approved by the President on December 15, 2014