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GENERAL FACULTY MEETING
Monday, March 12, 1990
11:45 - 2:00 p.m., 102 BUS

A G E N D A

1. Minutes from the January 18, 1990, Faculty Meeting
2. Comments from President Lombardi
3. Dean's Report
4. Committee Reports -
 - Undergraduate Committee - J. Faricy
 - Business Core Classes (Attachment 1)
 - New Course in Economics (Attachment 2)
5. Provost Search - B. Weitz
6. Announcements and other business

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cc: Steve Beeland
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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: W. Andrew McCollough
Associate Dean for Academic & Faculty Affairs.

FROM: Jack Faricy
Chairman, Undergraduate Committee

SUBJECT: Core Residency Requirement

At the Undergraduate Committee meeting of February 23, 1990, the following policy proposal was approved for presentation to the faculty:

All core courses specified by the College of Business Administration must be completed at the University of Florida.

This policy will provide equitable treatment of transfer and native UF students and is consistent with AACSB requirements. It will also enhance the objective of providing our students with a meaningful curriculum and a common body of knowledge.

Current policy is:

- a.) Native U.F. students must take core courses at U.F.
- b.) Community college transfers may receive core course credit work with common numbering but will be required to take another higher level course in the same area.
- c.) Transfers from other 4-year universities who have taken core-type courses may have the course accepted in lieu of that required.

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Institution UF
Campus N/A
FICE 1535

NEW COURSE TRANSMITTAL FORM
(See Reverse for Instruction)

Form UCC 1 Rev.80
OAA# _____

Department: Economics Discipline: Economics
Course Title: Public Choice

Credit Type: Semester Total Credit Hours: 3 Lecture Credit Hrs. 3

Recommended CNS Prefix and Number: ECO 3 X X X
Alpha First Taxonomy Number
Digit

Lab Credit Hrs. _____
Other Hrs. _____
Lab indicator (C or L) _____

Catalog Course Description: Role of voters, special interest, legislators, & the bureaucracy in determining government expenditure, taxation, and other economic policies. Economic models of voting and the structure of government.

State the pre and corequisites in terms of content (see reverse):

Prerequisites Basic Microeconomics (ECO 2023)

Corequisites _____

Intended Students (check all that apply): X Undergraduate Major _____ Others (specify)
X Undergraduate Non-Majors
Level (see reverse): _____ Adv. Undergrad. & Graduates
X _____ Graduate Students Only

Introductory _____ Advanced _____ Other (specify) _____
See attached outline.

List major topics here and attach a one-page outline of the proposed course;

List any other course(s) in the University catalog dealing with similar subject matter;

List the department chairperson (by name and dept.) with whom you have cleared any question of possible duplication or infringement by this course. Each such chairperson must either sign the outline requested below to indicate no concern over possible duplication or infringement, or make comments. Any lack of comments or signatures must be explained.

Wayne Francis, Chairman, Political Science

List teaching materials, textbook(s), and instructor (include status on Graduate Faculty if applicable): Readings as listed on attached sheet; Lawrence Kenny

State the quarter in which the course will be first offered: Fall 1990

Roger D. Blain 3/1/90 _____
Signature of Department Chairperson Date Signature of College Dean Date

Signature of Graduate Dean (if applicable) _____ Date _____

Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Effective Date _____

Last date for inclusion in catalog copy: _____

Chairman, UCC/Liaison Officer _____ Date _____

FOR FACULTY DISCIPLINE TASK FORCE AND SYSTEM STAFF USE ONLY:

Approved Prefix and Number _____ Rec. # _____ HEGIS _____ USOE _____

Generic Course Title _____

Century Title _____

Remarks: _____

Reviewed by: _____

Discipline Task Force Representative _____ Date _____

Input into Data Base _____ by _____ Date _____

OUTLINE

I. Majority-rule Models of Allocation

Cycling and the conditions for a stable majority rule outcome

Competition among parties and among candidates

Determination of government expenditure and taxation

Efficiency of the representation mechanism

II. Bureaucracy Models of Allocation

Effects of a self-interested bureaucracy

III. Special Interest Models of Allocation

Conditions for special interests to dominate the political process

Topics: minimum wage

regulation of industries

tariffs and quotas

women's movement

IV. Voting

Economic models of voting

V. The Municipal Marketplace

Determination of the number of jurisdictions

Sorting of families into jurisdictions in a metropolitan area

Selection of private schooling when sorting is imperfect

Wayne J. Francis (Political Science)

READING LIST

I. Majority-rule Models of Allocation

Topics covered

Conditions for a stable majority outcome, cycling, competition among parties and among candidates, the determination of government expenditure and taxation (e.g., property taxes, income taxes, sales taxes, the deficit), the degree to which an elected official represents his or her constituency's interests on economic policies.

Readings

Joseph Stiglitz, Economics of the Public Sector, 1986, pp. 126-140.

Harvey Rosen, Public Finance, 1988, pp. 89-104, pp. 112-116.

Ronald Fisher, State and Local Public Finance, 1988, pp. 283-298.

Edwin Mills and Bruce Hamilton, Urban Economics, 1989, pp. 307-310.

Anthony Downs, An Economic Theory of Democracy, 1957, pp. 21-141.

Barr and Davis, "An Elementary Political and Economic Theory of the Expenditures of Local Governments," Southern Economic Journal, October 1966.

Filer and Kenny, "Voter Reaction to City-County Consolidation Referenda," Journal of Law and Economics, April 1980, pp. 179-190.

Kau and Rubin, "The Size of Government," Public Choice, 37/2, pp. 261-274.

Bender and Shwiff, "The Appropriation of Rents by Boomtown Governments," Economic Inquiry, January 1982, pp. 84-103.

Glazer and Robbins, "How Elections Matter: a Study of U.S. Senators," Public Choice, 46/2, pp. 163-172.

Kalt and Zupan, "Capture and Ideology in the Economic Theory of Politics," American Economic Review, June 1984, pp. 279-300.

Nelson and Silberberg, "Ideology and Legislator Shirking" Economic Inquiry, January 1987, pp. 15-25.

II. Bureaucracy Models of Allocation

Topics covered

Does a self-interested bureaucracy make government too large or pursue its own agenda?

Readings

Richard Wagner, Public Finance: Revenues and Expenditures in a Democratic Society, 1983, pp. 108-126.

Santerre, "Representative vs. Direct Democracy: a Tiebout Test of Relative Performance," Public Choice, 48/1, pp. 55-63.

Greene, "Sequential Referenda and Bureaucratic Man," Public Choice, 43/1, pp. 77-82.

Weingast, "The Congressional Bureaucratic System: a Principal-Agent Perspective," Public Choice, 44/1, pp. 147-191.

III. Special Interest Models of Allocation

Topics covered

The use of the government by industries and other special interest groups for their own advantage, applied to the minimum wage, regulation of industries, tariffs and quotas, and the women's movement.

Readings

Richard Wagner, Public Finance: Revenues and Expenditures in a Democratic Society, 1983, pp. 93-105.

Stigler, "The Theory of Economic Regulation," Bell Journal, 1971, pp. 4-21.

Primeaux, Filer, Herren, and Hollas, "Determinants of Regulatory Policies toward Competition in the Electric Utility Industry," Public Choice, 43/2, pp. 173-186.

Roger Blair and Lawrence Kenny, Microeconomics with Business Applications, 1987, pp. 361-366.

Silberman and Durden, "Determining Preferences on the Minimum Wage: an Economic Approach," Journal of Political Economy, April 1976, pp. 317-329.

Hunt and Rubin, "The Economics of the Women's Movement," Public Choice, 35/3, pp. 287-295.

Pincus, "Pressure Groups and the Pattern of Tariffs," Journal of Political Economy, August 1975, pp. 757-778.

IV. Voting

Topics covered

The relationship between voter turnout and its associated economic benefits and costs.

Readings

Anthony Downs, An Economic Theory of Democracy, 1957, pp. 207-276.

Filer and Kenny, "Voter Turnout and the Benefits of Voting," Public Choice, 35/5, pp. 575-585.

Settle and Abrams, "The Determinants of Voter Participation: a More General Model," Public Choice, Fall 1976, pp. 81-89.

V. The Municipal Marketplace

Topics Covered

Sorting of families into different communities in a metropolitan area according to desired levels of government services and the selection of private schooling when this sorting is imperfect.

Readings

Edwin Mills and Bruce Hamilton, Urban Economics, 1989, pp. 310-330.



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June 30, 1989

To: Andy McCollough
From: Larry Kenny

Attached is a course description for a public choice course that the Economics department has approved and will bring to the Undergraduate Committee this fall. Wayne Francis, chairman of the Political Science department, was contacted to make sure that his department would not object to the course content, which overlaps with his department. As I have already told you, he was to the contrary excited that this would be available for political science majors to take and expressed a desire to have this course jointly listed with political science.

According to the registrar, our department already has several courses jointly listed with other departments. Urban economics (ECP 6615) is jointly listed with urban and regional planning; economic history of Russia (ECS 4334) is jointly listed with history; masterpieces in the social sciences 1 (SSI 4601) and masterpieces in the social sciences 2 (SSI 4602) are jointly listed with history, political science, and sociology; health care economics 1 (ECP 6536) and health care economics 2 (ECP 6537) are jointly listed with health services administration, the former being a required course in the MBA program in hospital administration. Of these, only SSI 4601 and SSI 4602 are currently listed in the catalog under two departments (sociology and political science). The latter 4 courses have not been taught by economics in recent years; ECP 6536 has been taught by Bruce Vogel in Health Services Administration. Finally, note that Woodruff teaches one course concurrently under ECO 4934 and WOH 3220 numbers.

There are several advantages to having public choice jointly listed with political science. First, this would enable political science majors to take the course as part of their major rather than as an outside elective; given the subject matter, this does not seem inappropriate. Second, this cooperation with political science would help the Business School's image; we seem to have very few allies. Third, at some point in the future, it may be convenient because of changes in faculty to allow political science to teach it; this is precisely what happened with ECP 6536.

The major disadvantage of joint listing is that we do not now get credit for funding purposes for students taught under a non-college prefix.

Let me reiterate that our seeking joint listing is a response to a request from political science. Bill Bomberger will present this course to the College Undergraduate Committee early this Fall.