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COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE:	January 1976
COURSE REVISED IMPLEMENTATION DATE:	September 2012
COURSE TO BE REVIEWED:	March 2018
(six years after UEC approval)	*(month, year)*

OFFICIAL UNDERGRADUATE COURSE OUTLINE INFORMATION

Students are advised to keep course outlines in personal files for future use.

Shaded headings are subject to change at the discretion of the department – see course syllabus available from instructor

POSC 120	**Political Science**	3
COURSE NAME/NUMBER	FACULTY/DEPARTMENT	UFV CREDITS

Ideology and Politics

COURSE DESCRIPTIVE TITLE

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:

The study of major ideologies and their philosophical underpinnings sheds light on historical and current events. With a view to understanding Canadian and world politics, this course introduces and surveys a wide range of thinkers and ideas that have shaped our world. Through the study of the ideological visions of liberalism, conservatism, Marxism, socialism, feminism, anti-colonialism, anarchism, and environmentalism, we will explore theories of power, government, freedom, and liberation.

PREREQUISITES: None
COREQUISITES:
PRE or COREQUISITES:

SYNONYMOUS COURSE(S):
(a) Replaces:
(b) Cross-listed with:
(c) Cannot take: for further credit.

SERVICE COURSE TO: *(department/program)*

TOTAL HOURS PER TERM: **45**

STRUCTURE OF HOURS:

Lectures:	**30**	Hrs
Seminar:	**15**	Hrs
Laboratory:		Hrs
Field experience:		Hrs
Student directed learning:		Hrs
Other (specify):		Hrs

TRAINING DAY-BASED INSTRUCTION:
Length of course:
Hours per day:

OTHER:
Maximum enrolment: **36**
Expected frequency of course offerings: EVERY SEMESTER
(every semester, annually, every other year, etc.)

WILL TRANSFER CREDIT BE REQUESTED? (lower-level courses only)	☒ Yes	☐ No
WILL TRANSFER CREDIT BE REQUESTED? (upper-level requested by department)	☐ Yes	☒ No
TRANSFER CREDIT EXISTS IN BCCAT TRANSFER GUIDE:	☒ Yes	☐ No

Course designer(s): **Rita Dhamoon**

Department Head:	**Hamish Telford**	Date approved:	**December 2011**
Supporting area consultation		Date of meeting:	**January 13, 2012**
Curriculum Committee chair:	**Tetsuomi Anzai**	Date approved:	**March 2012**
Dean/Associate VP:	**Jacqueline Nolte**	Date approved:	**March 2012**
Undergraduate Education Committee (UEC) approval		Date of meeting:	**March 30, 2012**

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Explain the core elements of major western political ideologies;
- Explain the core elements of contemporary liberation political ideologies;
- Identify key relevant thinkers and their theories about ideology;
- Describe the relevance of ideologies in Canadian and other geo-political contexts;
- Demonstrate conventional Political Science research and writing practices.

METHODS: *(Guest lecturers, presentations, online instruction, field trips, etc.)*

Methods will vary with instructors but will typically include lecture, classroom discussion, video presentations, exams, and guest speakers.

METHODS OF OBTAINING PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT RECOGNITION (PLAR):

☒ Examination(s) ☒ Portfolio assessment ☒ Interview(s)

☐ Other (specify):

☐ PLAR cannot be awarded for this course for the following reason(s):

TEXTBOOKS, REFERENCES, MATERIALS:

[Textbook selection varies by instructor. An example of texts for this course might be:]

Terrance Ball and Richard Dagger, *Ideals and Ideologies: A Reader*, Seventh Edition (Toronto: Pearson Longman, 2009).

SUPPLIES / MATERIALS:

None

STUDENT EVALUATION:

[An example of student evaluation for this course might be:]

3 position papers	45% (15% each)
Midterm	20%
Final Examination	35%

COURSE CONTENT:

[Course content varies by instructor. An example of course content might be:]

1. Introduction and Key Terms
2. Early Liberal Thought
3. Liberalism II.
4. Conservative Ideologies I
5. Conservative Ideologies II
6. Socialism and Communism – To Marx
7. Socialism and Communism after Marx
8. Nationalism: Ideology?
9. Liberation Ideologies: Feminism
10. Liberation Ideologies: Anti-Colonialism
11. Liberation Ideologies: Anarchism and Environmentalism
12. The End of Ideology, or Religion and a New Ideological Era?
13. The Political Compass and Review