



Request to Rename an Academic Program

Current Name of Academic Program:
Political Science, Foreign Affairs (Subplan)
Last admit term under current name: Fall 2024
Proposed New Name of Academic Program:
Political Science, International Affairs
Preferred First term effective of new name: Fall 2024
Academic Department:
School of Government and Public Policy, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences
Geographic Site: Tucson-Main
Instructional Modality:
In-person, Arizona Online
Brief Program Description:
<p>Gain an understanding of interactions between countries and the politics within them for international careers in diplomacy, foreign policy, security, and human rights. Political science is the study of government, public policy, and the political behavior of individuals and groups. Students in the Bachelor of Arts in Political Science program with an emphasis in International Affairs graduate with an understanding of the relationships among and between societies in countries around the world. This concentration combines coursework from international relations and comparative politics, along with the basics of political science. Students can take courses on a variety of topics, including domestic governing institutions; conflict and political violence; international cooperation, law, and organizations; foreign policy; regional politics; and social science ideas and methods.</p>
Reason for Renaming the Organizational Unit:
<p>Please briefly explain why the program is being renamed. Include market data/trends if applicable.</p> <p>The School of Government and Public Policy is submitting a formal request to update the name of a sub-plan of the Political Science undergraduate degree program. Currently, SGPP offers a sub-plan in Political Science titled 'Foreign Affairs', our department is proposing to update the title of this sub-plan to 'International Affairs'.</p> <p>This request is sought with the full support of the SGPP faculty and School Director, in an effort to more accurately reflect the degree program components, course requirements, and intended career paths for students completing the degree.</p>

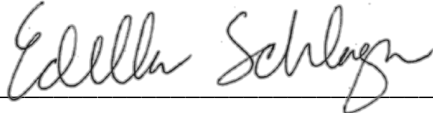


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The primary reason for the request is to simplify the concentrations within the political science major. Currently, there are three concentrations that have to do with global politics (International Relations, Comparative Politics, and Foreign Affairs), which segments our classes and creates confusion among our students. Instead, we aim to offer one concentration that covers all courses that address international political science themes under the new title of International Affairs.

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Department Head/School/Program Director Signature: 

Date: 11/16/2023

Dean/Associate Dean Name: Amy Kimme Hea Date: 11/22/2023

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