

UNIVERSITY SENATE ROUTING LOG

Proposal Title: INT 495 International Studies Research Project
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| A&S Educational Policy Committee | Steve Voss (7-4313) dsvoss@uky.edu | Approved as amended | 5 Dec 2006 | Yes | |
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APPLICATION FOR NEW COURSE

1. Submitted by College of Arts and Sciences Date November 2006

Department/Division offering course Program in International Studies

2. Proposed designation and Bulletin description of this course

a. Prefix and Number INT 495 b. Title* International Studies Research Project

*NOTE: If the title is longer than 24 characters (including spaces), write
A sensible title (not exceeding 24 characters) for use on transcripts Internat Stds Res Proj

c. Lecture/Discussion hours per week 3 d. Laboratory hours per week _____

e. Studio hours per week _____ f. Credits 3

g. Course description: An independent research project in an area of international studies under the direction of a faculty mentor. A research project plan will be drawn up by the student and the faculty project mentor and submitted to the Director of International Studies for approval.

h. Prerequisites (if any) _____

Senior Status _____

i. May be repeated to a maximum of _____ (if applicable)

4. To be cross-listed as

_____ Prefix and Number _____ Signature, Chairman, cross-listing department

5. Effective Date Fall 2007 (semester and year)

6. Course to be offered X Fall X Spring X Summer

7. Will the course be offered each year? X Yes No
(Explain if not annually)

8. Why is this course needed? International Studies is an interdisciplinary program that combines courses from numerous fields. By carrying out an independent research paper or project, students are afforded the opportunity to perform in-depth study on an international studies-related topic of their choice. This course will serve as a capstone experience.

9. a. By whom will the course be taught? International Studies Affiliated Faculty

b. Are facilities for teaching the course now available? X Yes No
If not, what plans have been made for providing them?

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10. What enrollment may be reasonably anticipated? We expect approx. 40-50 students per year.

11. Will this course serve students in the program primarily? Yes No

Will it be of service to a significant number of students outside the Department?
If so, explain. Yes No

Will the course serve as a University Studies Program course? Yes No

If yes, under what Area? _____

12. Check the category most applicable to this course

traditional; offered in corresponding departments elsewhere;

relatively new, now being widely established

not yet to be found in many (or any) other universities

13. Is this course applicable to the requirements for at least one degree or certificate at the University of Kentucky? Yes No

14. Is this course part of a proposed new program:
If yes, which? Yes No
BA in International Studies

15. Will adding this course change the degree requirements in one or more programs?
If yes, explain the change(s) below (NOTE -- If "yes," a program change form must also be submitted.) Yes No

16. List the major teaching objectives of the proposed course and outline and/or reference list to be used.
(1) Original research; (2) Critical analysis and discussion; (3) Independent work; (4) Writing skills

17. If the course is 400G or 500 level, include syllabi or course statement showing differentiation for undergraduate and graduate students in assignments, grading criteria, and grading scales. Check here if 400G-500.

18. Within the College, who should be contacted for further information about the proposed course?

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Program in International Studies - University of Kentucky
INT 495
International Studies Research Project

PURPOSE:

International Studies Research Project, INT 495, is designed to provide an opportunity for International Studies majors to develop research projects in collaboration with faculty members and to gain research experience in International Studies. This is a three-credit capstone course for International Studies majors.

PREREQUISITES:

- Declared major in International Studies
- Senior standing (≥90 credit hours)

(Exceptions to these prerequisites must be approved by the Director of International Studies.)

ACADEMIC CREDITS:

INT 495 is taken for 3 credit hours for one semester.

INSTRUCTOR:

The independent research paper or project must be completed under the mentorship of an International Studies affiliated faculty member. It is the responsibility of the student to contact a faculty mentor to discuss the faculty expectations regarding the research project. Prior to the last date to add a class, a research contract (see attached) must be completed by the student in collaboration with the faculty mentor and approved by the Director of International Studies.

The International Studies Academic Advisor is responsible for helping students and faculty mentors navigate the Capstone Senior Project logistics.

GRADING POLICIES:

The grade for the course will be based on the grade received in the final paper. Each paper will be evaluated using a 100-point range on the basis of the following factors

1. (20 points) Writing (organization of the report, proper grammar, appropriate referencing, spelling errors)
2. (20 points) Demonstrated understanding of the research methodology employed
3. (30 points) Thoroughness and command of the material covered including literature review
4. (20 points) Critical analysis and discussion
5. (10 points) Conclusions

Final Grades: A = 90 and above; B = 80 – 89.9; C = 70 – 79.9; D = 60 – 69.9; E = 59.9 and below.

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY:

Academic dishonesty or cheating of any kind will not be tolerated. The university policy regarding academic dishonesty can be found at <http://www.uky.edu/Ombud/>.

MAJOR COURSE OBJECTIVES:

- To provide opportunities for International Studies majors to develop research projects in collaboration with faculty members and to gain research experience in International Studies
- To provide the students with experience on research methods related to International Studies
- To demonstrate the integration of knowledge from different disciplines through original research, analysis, and discussion.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

By carrying out an independent research paper or project, students are afforded the opportunity to perform in-depth study on an international studies-related topic of their choice. Upon completion of this course, a student should be able to:

- Perform research on an international studies-related topic
- Undertake critical analysis and discussion on an international studies-related topic
- Enhance his/her writing skills

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

- To select a research mentor from the International Studies affiliated faculty before the semester begins and submit a research contract to the Director of the International Studies signed by the mentor by the last date to add a class. A non-exhaustive list of faculty from across campus who are willing to mentor International Studies students can be found at (url to be developed)
- To discuss with the faculty mentor the number of hours of work per week that will be required and the relative importance of research work, required reports, and any subjective factors on the final grade
- To prepare a final report with scholarly references of the research completed in INT 495 at the end of the semester

FACULTY RESPONSIBILITIES:

- To provide the INT 495 student with a challenging, but feasible, research project that can be completed, or on which substantial progress can be made, within one semester
- To discuss with the student the number of hours of work per week per credit hour that will be required and the relative importance of research work, required reports, and any subjective factors on the final grade
- To oversee the student's research progress
- To review the student's Final Report at the end of the semester
- To assign the course grade

INT 495 International Studies Research Project Contract

International Studies Program

University of Kentucky

Prior to the last date to add a class, this form should be completed by the student and the International Studies faculty member who will supervise the student's research. After completion, it should be submitted to the Director of the Program in International Studies for approval.

Student's Name _____ Student ID Number _____

Campus Address _____

Telephone Number _____ E-mail address _____

Faculty Mentor _____ Telephone Number _____

Campus Address _____ E-mail address _____

Semester: _____ Fall _____ Spring _____ Summer _____ 200_____

List prior course work in International Studies and grades received (underline current courses)

INT 495 Requirements:

- Signed Research Contract prior to the last date to add a class
- Final Report at the end of the semester of registration

SIGNATURES

Student _____ Date _____

Faculty Mentor _____ Date _____

Director of International Studies _____ Date _____

INT 495 International Studies Research Project Contract

General Description of the Research Project (completed by student and faculty member):

Student Responsibilities (completed by faculty member):

**INT 495 International Studies Research Project Contract
FINAL REPORT COVER SHEET**

Student's Name _____ Student ID Number _____

Campus Address _____

Telephone Number _____ E-mail address _____

Faculty Mentor _____ Telephone Number _____

Campus Address _____ E-mail address _____

Semester: _____ Fall __ Spring __ Summer __ 200__

RESEARCH PROGRESS DURING THIS PAST SEMESTER HAS BEEN:

Satisfactory _____ Unsatisfactory _____ Grade _____

Comments by faculty mentor:

Faculty Mentor _____ Date _____

Comments by student:

Student _____ Date _____

Director of International Studies _____ Date _____