

Offering for the Fall 2010 Semester

POLS101 – Introduction to Political Science Meets: T and Th 9:20 – 10:30 Instructor: Dr Jean Gabriel Jolivet Mossman 104

An introduction to the theories and practices used in the discipline of political science. This class will map Political Science in various ways to show students where their interests might fit those of the discipline. Credit 3 hours.

POLS155 - Topics: Foundations of Criminal Justice

Meets: T and Th 8:00 – 9:10

Instructor: Christopher Smith

Mossman 103

Foundations of Criminal Justice surveys the concepts of crime and justice, the rule of law, and provides an overview of how crime impacts society. It provides a summary of police, prosecution, courts, and the correctional system. Additional issues and challenges in the criminal justice system such as juvenile crime, terrorism, and transnational organized crime will be reviewed. Credit 3 hours.

POLS213 – American Politics Meets: T and Th 10:40 – 11:50 Instructor: Dr Jean Gabriel Jolivet Mossman 104

A consideration of the national government in terms of the central ideological basis, its institutional framework, and political actors and processes. This course is an introduction to the study of American politics in the contemporary era and focuses on the process of policymaking in a sociologically diverse, culturally divided, and institutionally fragmented political system. Credit 3 hours.

POLS255 Section A – Topics: Criminology and Deviant Behavior Meets: T and Th 1:10 – 2:20 Instructor: Brendon Fox Mossman 103

This course examines maladaptive behavior in American society. Definitions and theories of deviance will be explored with emphasis on theories of victimology that describe the motives, methods and backgrounds of various types of criminal predators. This course will also address how the criminal justice system investigates and responds to predatory offenders. Credit 3 hours.

POLS255 Section B - Topics: Crime and Punishment Meets: M and W 2:10 – 3:30 Instructor: Christopher Smith Mossman 104

This course will provide an opportunity for students to examine and confront one of the most vexing criminal justice issues of our time how should we punish those who break our laws. Students will discuss cases, articles, and speakers' comments with the aim to discern the merits and disadvantages of the current incarceration priorities and to deliberate whether better options exist for punishing offenders and achieving justice for all concerned. Credit 3 hours.