

KINGSBOROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE
The City University of New York

CURRICULUM TRANSMITTAL COVER PAGE

Department: _____ Date: _____

Title Of Course/Degree/Concentration/Certificate: _____

Change(s) Initiated: (Please check)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Closing of Degree | <input type="checkbox"/> Change in Degree or Certificate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Closing of Certificate | <input type="checkbox"/> Change in Degree: Adding Concentration |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New Certificate Proposal | <input type="checkbox"/> Change in Degree: Deleting Concentration |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New Degree Proposal | <input type="checkbox"/> Change in Prerequisite, Corequisite, and/or Pre/Co-requisite |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New Course | <input type="checkbox"/> Change in Course Designation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New 82 Course (Pilot Course) | <input type="checkbox"/> Change in Course Description |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Deletion of Course(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> Change in Course Title, Number, Credits and/or Hours |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Change in Academic Policy |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Pathways Submission: |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Life and Physical Science |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Math and Quantitative Reasoning |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> A. World Cultures and Global Issues |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> B. U.S. Experience in its Diversity |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> C. Creative Expression |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> D. Individual and Society |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> E. Scientific World |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Change in Program Learning Outcomes | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please describe): _____ | |

PLEASE ATTACH MATERIAL TO ILLUSTRATE AND EXPLAIN ALL CHANGES

DEPARTMENTAL ACTION

Action by Department and/or Departmental Committee, if required:

Date Approved: _____ Signature, Committee Chairperson: _____

If submitted Curriculum Action affects another Department, signature of the affected Department(s) is required:

Date Approved: _____ Signature, Department Chairperson: _____

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I have reviewed the attached material/proposal

Signature, Department Chairperson: Jacob Segal



TO: Spring 2025 Curriculum Committee

FROM: Prof. Jacob Segal, Chair, Department of History, Philosophy and Political Science

DATE: March 12th , 2025

RE: Change in Course Description and Course Title for Course Pol 5000: Clash of Political Ideas: Introduction to Political Theory

The Department of History, Philosophy and Political Science is proposing a change in Course Description and Course title for Course Pol 5000: Clash of Political Ideas: Introduction to Political Theory

FROM:

Clash of Political Ideas: Introduction to Political Theory

Selected major political philosophers from Plato to Machiavelli from Locke and Rousseau to Hegel and Marx. What are the bases for political leadership, political obligation, majority rule and minority rights

TO:

Introduction to Political Theory

This course explores essential questions of political life, such as: What is freedom? Who has the right to rule? What is human nature? and What kind of government do we deserve? We examine these questions in the context of various cultures and historical periods, engaging with ideas such as equality, freedom, democracy, and the rule of law.

Rationale for Change:

The new title emphasizes the introductory quality of the course, and the new description is focused on concepts and not philosophers. We think this makes the course more attractive to students and is captures better the emphasis of the course on ideas.