

Dept meeting minutes

Nov 2, 2017

Announcements:

1. Training for Active Shooters. – Jan 12, 2018
2. Writing workshop on February 9th available. First 10 faculty and first 10 graduate student. Two part focus: A. How to make your writing more interesting. B. Improving your ability to teach writing.
3. Steven Sailita talk today with Polisci faculty and students.
4. Send alumni committee information you have on alums
5. Article in Star Advertiser on Faculty Travel.

Budget

1. Budget difficulty with money for books. Late Amazon charge resulting from book purchase Fiscal Year Spring 2017 now being counted against this year's budget.
2. Future possibility of dissertation completion award. 1. Help focus achievement awards (Krishna) 2. Good for student cvs (Ehito)

External Review

1. Suggestion by external reviewers for more qualitative methods courses.
 1. We actually offer quite a few (Kathy) 601 Political Analysis, 602 Quantitative Methods, 605 Topics in Methods, 612 Indigenous Methods in Hawaiian, 702 Seminar in Research Methods, 703 Writing Politics
 2. Consider adding a breadth and method requirement (Noelani) Consider larger variety of methods courses to attract other departments (Ehito)
 3. POL 200 do we want to make it a requirement? Should we set up a Graduate Student track? Could we consider making the class pass/fail. (Stephen) Students would prefer to have a three credit course with a W requirement. (Noelani) Need to decide whether it should be 3 credit or 1 credit course (Nevi) Kathy will investigate getting an FW class before next meeting. (Kathy)

BA/MA Proposal (Ehito)

1. Summary of Proposal
2. Maybe should be more focused (Larry)
3. Same requirements as stand alone MA program so not left overs (Katharina)
4. Graduate tuition does not kick in until last two semester (Katharina)
5. Need clarification for why practicum and internships cannot be double counted and specify that they can be taken once. (Noelani)
6. We don't want to weaken the MA or BA just to have an accelerated program (Carolyn). Response: this will be a very small number of students, who are picked because they are exceptional students, so it is unlikely to have a deleterious effect.(Manfred)