Michael Salamone has submitted a request for a major curricular change. His/her email address is: michael.salamone@wsu.edu.

**Requested change:** Revise or Drop Graduate Plan

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**Title:** Non-Thesis M.A. in Political Science with Certificate in Global Justice and Security Studies

**Requested Effective Date:** Fall 2022

Revise plan requirement: Yes

**Dean:** Swindell, Samantha - Assoc Dean - CAS,

**Chair:** Ridout, Travis – Director – Politics, Philosophy, and Public Affairs,
I approve of this proposal in its current form.

Travis

From: Swindell, Samantha <sswindell@wsu.edu>
Sent: Monday, June 21, 2021 9:53 AM
To: curriculum.submit <curriculum.submit@wsu.edu>; Ridout, Travis Nelson <tnridout@wsu.edu>
Subject: RE: 654022 Politics, Philosophy, and Public Affairs Requirements Revise - Revise or Drop Graduate Plan

I approve this proposal in its current form.

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[Details of major change requested can be found in the attached supplemental documentation]
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1. I approve this proposal in its current form.

2. I approve this proposal with revisions. Revisions are attached.

3. I do not approve this proposal. Please return to submitter.

If you do not respond within one week, you will be sent a reminder email. If no response is received within three weeks of the submission date, the proposal will be returned to the submitter.
The School of Politics, Philosophy, and Public Affairs (PPPA) is requesting to revise the requirements for the M.A. in Political Science with a Certificate in Global Justice and Security Studies (GJSS). This non-thesis, terminal degree is designed to provide students with a specialized qualification better suited for the pursuit of professional careers in federal, state, or local government. The master’s in GJSS is geared towards providing students with maximum of flexibility in constructing their specific areas of specialization, while at the same time providing the common elements needed for a coherent program of study.

In order to better serve this goal of maximum flexibility, the PPPA faculty have approved a new curriculum that expands the elective course options for GJSS students and reduces the number of required courses. The new curriculum also eliminates two Criminal Justice courses that are no longer regularly offered by that department. The impact on our unit (and others) will be minimal, since these new requirements take advantage of courses offered frequently. Indeed, the primary impact will be to eliminate requests to substitute courses for the two required courses that are no longer offered.
Requirements for Masters Degree in Political Science with Certificate in Global Justice and Security Studies

The M.A. in Political Science with a Global Justice and Security Studies Certificate (GJSS) is a non-thesis, terminal degree designed to provide students with a specialized qualification better suited for the pursuit of professional careers in federal, state, or local government. The GJSS program targets students intending to pursue largely non-academic, governmental careers as practitioners, whether it be in the field of homeland security, law enforcement, not-for-profit organizations, NGOs, or as analysts within the U.S. intelligence or defense communities. The Masters in GJSS is geared towards providing students with maximum of flexibility in constructing their specific areas of specialization, while at the same time providing the common elements needed for a coherent program of study. Faculty work closely with students to tailor the GJSS program of study to best fit their individual professional needs.

Hours: Minimum of 30 hours total credit required. Of those 30 hours:
- At least 26 hours of graded course work, 17 of which must be at the 500 level.
- No more than 9 hours of non-graduate (400 level) graded coursework.

Program Required Courses:
- POL_S 531 – International Security
- POL_S 424 – U.S. National Security Policy
- Twenty hours of Electives (selected from among the following courses or ones approved by Graduate Director in consultation with student):
  - POL_S 400, 402, 427, 428, 429, 501, 502, 503, 504, 510, 513, 514, 530, 533a, 533b, 536, 537
  - CRM_J 405, 572
  - HISTORY 455, 476, 564
  - PHIL 475
  - PSYCH 550, 592