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RE: Revisions to PWAD major requirements and courses

DATE: Sept 15, 2011

Having met with my Faculty Advisory Committee and discussed several issues with regard to PWAD major requirements (with 7 votes in favor and none opposed), I would like to submit several changes to the major. A description and rationale is presented here in this memo. Enclosed is the current and revised bulletin text.

1. PWAD 690 courses "Seminars on aspects of peace, war, and defense" are to be exclusively taught as research seminars with a substantial written research paper. We would therefore like that course number to carry the CI- Communication Intensive and E6- Mentored Research tags. As it is, we are having to process exceptions for each 690 section. I have made this change in CRAS, but I repeat it here for the record.
2. It is our understanding PLCY/PWAD 201 will no longer be offered by Public Policy, and it should therefore be removed from those courses fulfilling PWAD requirements. The new course PLCY 210, Policy Innovation and Analysis, should be added to those courses fulfilling PWAD requirements, under the National and International Security concentration.
3. It is our understanding that Political Science has de-crosslisted Poli 231 and 450, but PWAD would like for those courses to continue to fulfill PWAD major requirements, in the same concentration.
4. We would like to drastically change the way PWAD 395 Internship counts within the major. Internships are perceived as very important to our students, and we will continue to encourage them to do so, but I am increasingly uncomfortable assigning grades to work that I do not see, including some whose internships have been classified, and who can therefore produce no evidence at all for me to grade. We would like for 395 to be converted to a Pass/Fail option only (but still carrying the EE credit), and it will still count as 3 elective hours (but not toward the major). Students who want to generate major credit for the course must do a parallel or follow

up independent study that results in a substantial written product. See Change #1 in attached bulletin revisions.

5. In order to increase the intellectual merit of the major and also the employability of PWAD majors, who are normally expected to work in fields related to international affairs, we would like to toughen the foreign language requirement along the model used by Global Studies, increasing the requirement to 5 levels instead of 3 (as required by the General Education Requirements). Alternatively a student could take one semester of statistics (course options listed in the revised bulletin text).

Bulletin revisions (due to the number of changes, I have attached the entire bulletin listing as a separate document, using track changes)

Majoring in Peace, War, and Defense: Bachelor of Arts

Core Requirements

- HIST/PWAD 351
- PHIL/PWAD 272
- PWAD 350
- Four courses (no more than three from any one discipline) from one of the following concentrations: the culture of peace and war, national and international defense and security, or the evolution of warfare
- Two courses chosen from outside the area of concentration

The three concentrations consist of the following groups of courses:

The Culture of Peace and War

AFRI 520; ANTH 280; ARAB 452; ASIA/HIST 276; COMM [355](#), 376, 390 (with approval, based on topic), 574, 575; ENGL 659, 660; HIST 132, 134, 254, 262, 263, 268, 275, 277, 281, 373, 421, 422, 432, 517, 528, 565, 570; LAW 252 (permission of the PWAD chair and instructor); MUSC 289; PLCY 455; POLI 250, 260, 416, 423, 444, 450, 457, 469; PSYC 499; [PWAD 355](#); RELI 481; RUSS 475; SLAV 84, 85, 465, 467; SOCI 442

National and International Defense and Security

AFRI 520; ANTH 280; ARAB 452; ASIA/HIST 276; COMM 390 (with approval, based on the topic), 575; ECON 460; ENST 108; GEOG 120, 453; HIST 134, 213, 262, 277, 528, 577; HPM 634; LAW 252 (permission of the PWAD chair and instructor); PLCY 101, ~~201~~, [210](#), 220, 455; POLI 150, 231, 250, 252, 253, 259, 260, 423, 443, 444, 446, 447, 450, 469; PSYC 499; PWAD 352; RELI 481; RUSS 475; SLAV 84, 85, 465, 467

The Evolution of Warfare

COMM [355](#), 390 (with approval, based on topic); ENGL 660; HIST 212, 213, 254, 262, 263, 268, 275, 277, 281, 368, 369, 373, 421, 422, 432, 517, 564, 565, 570, 577; MUSC 289; POLI 150, 444, 446, 447; PSYC 499 (with approval, based on topic); PWAD 352, ~~355~~; SLAV 465

~~PWAD 395 Internship in Peace, War, and Defense~~; PWAD 396 Independent Study in Peace, War, and Defense; PWAD 490 Selected Topics in Peace, War, and Defense; and PWAD 690, 691H, and 692H may be substituted for courses in the major with the permission of the chair.

Additional Requirements

Comment [NJS1]: Deleted. Approved 2/0/2011.

[Credit for five levels of modern language study \(two more than UNC's general education requirement\). Alternatively, students can take POLI 181 or STOR 151 or STOR 155.](#)

All General Education requirements must be met. Majors should consider, in fulfilling General Education requirements, the following courses as helpful preparation for the curriculum: ANTH 101; ECON 101; HIST 127, 128, 140, 158, 159; MATH 152; PHIL 160, 170; POLI 100, 150, 239; PSYC 101; SOCI 101; and STOR 151.

Honors in Peace, War, and Defense

Majors who earn at least a 3.3 overall grade point average and at least a 3.3 grade point average in the major through their junior year may on application to the chair of the curriculum enroll in PWAD 691H and 692H Honors in Peace, War, and Defense. Students interested in honors should take a seminar in peace, war, and defense (PWAD 690), a seminar in history (HIST 391–397), or another course that provides background in research design. For students who wish to write an honors thesis in their senior year, a thesis topic should be approved by an appropriate thesis director by the end of the junior year. Students prepare an honors thesis in PWAD 691H and 692H and defend it orally. PWAD 691H can be used to fulfill the student's chosen concentration requirement; PWAD 692H provides credit hours toward the major but cannot be used to satisfy concentration requirements. Based on faculty evaluation, the baccalaureate degree may be conferred with honors or with highest honors, or merely with course credit.

Special Opportunities in Peace, War, and Defense

Departmental Involvement

Undergraduates can participate in the activities and programs of the Triangle Institute for Security Studies at no cost by becoming a Wickersham Scholar. To become a scholar, a student must have a faculty sponsor and a demonstrated interest in international security studies. For more information contact Carolyn Pumphrey at (919) 613-9280 or pumphrey@duke.edu.

Experiential Education

[Internship courses provide students with the opportunity to earn academic credit while obtaining practical work experience in agencies and organizations clearly related to national and international security. In recent years, interns have served in these and other agencies: The Central Intelligence Agency, Durham Police Department, Office of Naval Intelligence, Defense Intelligence Agency, Carolina for Kibera, Center for Strategic and International Studies, Peace Action, U.S. Army Special Operations Command, and many more. Students are limited to one internship for credit, and all internships are limited to three hours of academic credit. Although some routine administrative tasks are required in any professional setting, the expectation is that a majority of the intern's work will be directed toward the substantive mission of the agency and that tasks will be of a nature to justify awarding academic credit. All internships require prior approval, and all must consist of at least eight hours per week and at least 100 hours per semester. Students must sign an internship contract with their agency and faculty supervisors, setting out expectations and course requirements. Interns are required to keep a daily internship](#)

journal. Once approved for an internship, students enroll in PWAD 395, which is offered on a Pass/Fail basis only and does not count toward the nine courses required for the major. Students wishing credit towards the major derived from their internship work should pursue an independent study with a faculty supervisor either while taking the internship or in the next semester. That independent study should produce a major written product, and would graded normally and receive credit in the major.

With the permission of the chair, under special circumstances majors can gain academic credit for unpaid internships or employment that relates directly to national and international security.