REQUEST FOR A NEW COURSE
University of Central Oklahoma

Course Subject (Prefix), Number, and Title:

Course Subject | Recommended Subject Number | Course Title (maximum of 30 characters)
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PSY            | 4XX3                        | Psychology of Religion

*Remember when abbreviating names, this is how they will appear on student's transcripts.

Course Title: (full title of course if longer than 30 characters)

For information regarding CIP codes contact your department chair or visit: http://www.uco.edu/academic-affairs/ir/program_inventory.asp

CIP Code: 42.0101

For graduate courses, please attach a syllabus for this course. (See syllabus requirement policy 2.2.)

Course description as it will appear in the appropriate catalog.

Course description only Do not include prerequisites or enrollment restrictions, these should be added under questions 6-12.
(Please use standard American English including full sentences.)

This course reviews current theory and research in a variety of topics within the scope of psychology of religion, including philosophical concepts, developmental issues, religious traditions, and empirical approaches. Several major world religions will be discussed in the context of understanding the theoretical orientation and customs associated with them.

Psychology
Department submitting the proposal

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Approved by:

[Signature] [Date]
Department Chairperson

[Signature] [Date]
College Dean

[Signature] [Date]
College Curriculum Committee Chair

[Signature] [Date]
Academic Affairs Curriculum or Graduate Council

Effective term for this new course
(Assigned by the Office of Academic Affairs.)
1. Does this course have an undergraduate / graduate counterpart?  
   Yes [x] No [ ]

2. Is this proposal part of a larger submission package including a program change?  
   Yes [x] No [ ]

3. Does this new course affect a teacher preparation program? (All courses required for any teacher preparation program must have approval from the Council on Teacher Education (CTE) before approval from AACC or Graduate Council.)  
   Yes [x] No [ ]  
   If yes, send copy of proposal to the Education Curriculum Committee Chair, Dr. Darla Fent.  
   CTE Approval (Stamp or initial) __________________

4. Has this course been previously taught as a common course (4910 seminar, 4960 institute, etc.)?  
   Yes [x] No [ ]  
   If yes, when was the most recent offering?  
   PSY4960: Institute in PSY – January 2015

5. Does this course affect majors or minors outside the department?  
   Yes [x] No [ ]  
   If yes, provide name(s) of department chair(s) contacted, dates, and results of discussion.

6. Prerequisite courses:  
   Example 1: MATH 1213 and (MATH 2165 or MATH 2185) and CHEM 1213  
   Example 3: 8 hours of biology including BIO 1404  
   Example 2: (ACCT 2113 and 2213) and (MGMT 3013 or ISOM 3613)  
   PSY 2103: Social Psychology and PSY 3XX3: Research Methods Lab

7. Co-requisite(s): Which of the above prerequisite courses, if any, may be taken in the same semester as the proposed new course?  
   N/A

8. Concurrent enrollment: Courses that must be taken the same semester. Example: lab courses.  
   N/A

9. Will this course have enrollment restrictions?  
   Yes [x] No [ ]  
   If No, go to question 13.

10. Specify which major(s) may or may not take this course. Specifying a major, excludes all other majors from enrolling.  
    Check one:  
    May [ ]  
    May not [ ]  
    Major Code: __________________

11. Which of the following student classification(s) may enroll in this course?  
    Check all that apply:  
    Graduate [ ] (2) 19 + hours  
    Graduate [ ] (1) 0-18 hours  
    Post Baccalaureate [ ] *  
    Senior [ ]  
    Junior [ ]  
    Sophomore [ ]  
    Freshman [ ]  
    * Graduate level courses are not open to Post Baccalaureate students.

12. Check or list other restrictions for this course.  
    Admission to Graduate Programs [ ]  
    Admission to Nursing Program [ ]  
    Admission to Teacher Education [ ]  
    Other [ ]
13. Course objectives: Objectives should be observable, measurable and include scholarly or creative activities to meet the course level characteristics. Course objectives should also be in line with the course description. (Please refer to instructional objectives documents at: http://www.uco.edu/academic-affairs/faculty-staff/aacc.asp#FAQ/Helpful%20Hints.)

Psychology of Religion emphasizes the application of psychological research to the specific area of personality and social psychology research related to religion. As a result of this course, you should:

1. **Know** terminology, specific facts, methodology in psychology, and the theories behind current research in the field;
2. **Comprehend** the findings of current research in the field and their implications;
3. **Apply** previously learned information to the content of this course;
4. **Analyze** current research in the field, such that the research paradigms can be identified and inferences can be drawn;
5. **Synthesize** knowledge, by integrating concepts from previous courses with newly learned information to produce new and/or original thoughts; and
6. **Evaluate** material and research for a given purpose, based on knowledge, personal values, and opinion.


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Course Detail Information:

14. Contact Hours (per week)

   - **3** Lecture hours (in class)
   - Lab hours (also studios)
   - Other (outside activities)

15. Repeatable course.

   - **1** Number of times this course can be taken for credit.

16. Schedule type: (select one only)

   - Activity P.E. (A)
   - Lab only (B)
   - Lecture/Lab (C)
   - Lecture only (L)
   - Recitation/Lab (R)
   - Student Teaching (STU)
   - Studio Art/Design (XSU)

17. List existing course(s) for which this course will be a prerequisite. Adding a "new course" as a prerequisite to an existing course will likely cause enrollment problems. (Please submit a prerequisite change form for each course for which this course will serve as a prerequisite.)

   - **None**

18. What resources, technology or equipment must be acquired to teach this course? List items, which must be purchased and estimate cost. (Be specific, e.g., technology software, equipment, computer lab; etc.)

   - **None**

19. The UCO Library has the required library resources available for this new course? **Yes** No  If yes, provide names of Librarian/Faculty Liaisons contacted, dates, and results of discussion.

   According to Kirsten Davis (February 28, 2020; see attached), "given that these are essentially..."
rearrangements of existing programs/classes, things should be fine from a resources perspective."

If no, what additional library resources must be acquired for this new course? List items which must be purchased and estimated cost. (Be specific, e.g., books, magazines, journals, etc.)
Not applicable/None needed

20. Names of current faculty qualified to teach this course.
   Alicia Limke-McLean; Gabriel Rupp

21. Additional faculty (adjunct or full-time) required and specific competencies required to teach this course:
   No additional faculty are needed at this time. A background in social psychology is needed to teach the course.

22. How will this course be staffed and equipped? Identify the additional costs associated with this new course. If no costs, explain why not.
   This course will be part of the regular rotation of courses offered in the major and will not require any new staff or equipment to be offered; that is, faculty loads will be adjusted to accommodate changes in the curriculum (specifically, the number of core required classes will decrease to allow for the addition of elective courses in the curriculum). As such, the funds to support this course will come from an internal reallocation of the departmental budget.

23. Identify the source(s) of funds for any additional costs for the new course. i.e. internal reallocations, special fees from students, etc. If you plan to propose special fees be assessed for this course, be aware there is a separate approval process for special fees.
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24. Projected enrollment for two academic years following approval of new course:

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25. Using State Regents' definition of liberal arts and sciences (quoted below), characterize the course as follows:
   
   X Liberal arts and sciences
   Non-liberal arts and sciences

   "The liberal arts and sciences are defined as those traditional fields of study in the humanities; social and behavioral sciences; communications; natural and life sciences, mathematics; and the history, literature, and theory of fine arts (music, art, drama, dance). Courses in these fields whose primary purpose is directed toward specific occupational or professional objectives, or courses in the arts which rely substantially on studio or performance work are not considered to be liberal arts and sciences for the purpose of this policy. Courses required for the General Educational Program are not necessarily synonymous or mutually exclusive with the liberal arts and sciences." State Regents Policy and Procedures, Chapter 2, Section 5, "Degree Requirements" part 1, (2), P. II-2-86

26. Please provide a concise, yet comprehensive, statement that explains the reasons for requesting the new course. Include documentation or assessment information supporting the specific request (if possible). Indicate the expected source of student enrollment (majors, minors, programs etc.)
   In the department's Self-Study for Continuous Improvement (SSCI), external reviewers suggested (a) a greater breadth of courses be offered, (b) a greater depth of courses be offered, and (c) courses devoted to multicultural...
and diversity issues. This course will help meet these suggestions. Moreover, according to national data, this is a
typical specialty course in the area of psychology.

27 Which of the six transformative learning tenets does this course incorporate? (check all that apply or
only those that apply) This question was a directive from the Provost and is used for informational purposes.

Discipline Knowledge  
Leadership  
Research, Scholarly and Creative Activities  
Service Learning and Civic Engagement  
Global and Cultural Competencies  
Health and Wellness  

28. Clearly explain how the characteristics of this course meet or exceed those outlined in Course
Level Characteristics. (Copy and paste table from "Course Level Characteristics" document for the appropriate course level
of proposed course. Document may be found on: http://sites.uco.edu/academic-affairs/files/course-level-characteristics-table.doc.

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<th>4000 LEVEL COURSES</th>
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<td>1. It is assumed that students in these courses have completed sufficient course work to have attained senior standing.</td>
<td>Students will have completed 2000/3000 level courses via prerequisites.</td>
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<td>2. It is assumed that students in these courses have a substantial background in the area of inquiry equivalent to 15 hours of study. Area of inquiry is defined broadly, including courses in the offering department, as well as courses in other departments that relate to the subject of study.</td>
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<td>3. These courses should be offered at a level of sophistication of instruction and of expected student performance beyond that of other undergraduate courses. In short, 4000 level courses should offer more in-depth study than courses offered at the 3000 level and below and should include application, analysis, synthesis, and evaluation of information presented.</td>
<td>This will be met by including at least one activity that requires students to read/analyze/synthesize information in the field as part of a written assignment.</td>
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<td>4. These courses require students to undertake a substantial scholarly activity in addition to classroom instruction, such as a written research project, research presentation, library assignment, juried performance, or creative work.</td>
<td>This will be met by including at least one project of group-work that results in a research project/presentation.</td>
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<td>5. Included among 4000 level courses would be a capstone course that reviews and integrates previous learning, practicums and student teaching, and courses in which major instructional responsibility is placed on the student (as in individual studies, directed readings, and seminars).</td>
<td>This will met be by including a requirement in which students are responsible for leading discussions about course material and/or selected readings.</td>
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