Bemidji State University

POL 3100: American Foreign Policy

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

   Credits: 3
   Lecture Hours/Week: 0
   Lab Hours/Week: 0
   OJT Hours/Week: *.*
   Prerequisites: None
   Corequisites: None
   MnTC Goals: None

   Traces the development of American foreign policy: its objectives, limitations, domestic and international factors influencing foreign policy. Prerequisite: POL 1300. (Might not be offered every year.)

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 08/25/1997 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

   1. Allies & Adversaries in the new Era
   2. Post-Vietnam Era
   3. The End of the Cold War
   4. The Great Power Triangle
   5. The Heart of the Cold War
   6. The Vietnam War
   7. US Policy up the and including WWII
   8. Unipolar Movement and it Discontents

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

   1. examine the historical bases of American foreign policy from beginning to the end of the Cold War.
   2. examine current issues in American foreign policy, both in terms of its relations with other major powers and pressing issues facing the United States.
   3. enhance their understanding of the study of foreign relations of the United States of America.

E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

   None

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

   As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

   None noted