

# Course Outline

|                            |                               |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>School / Portfolio:</b> | Faculty of Education and Arts |
| <b>Course Title:</b>       | ADVANCED STUDIES IN POLITICS  |
| <b>Course ID:</b>          | BAHRS4106                     |
| <b>Credit Points:</b>      | 30.00                         |
| <b>Prerequisite(s):</b>    | Nil                           |
| <b>Co-requisite(s):</b>    | Nil                           |
| <b>Exclusion(s):</b>       | Nil                           |
| <b>ASCED Code:</b>         | 090399                        |

## Program Level:

| AQF Level of Program |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|----------------------|---|---|---|---|---|----|
|                      | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| Level                |   |   |   |   |   |    |
| Introductory         | ■ | ■ | ■ | ■ | ■ | ■  |
| Intermediate         | ■ | ■ | ■ | ■ | ■ | ■  |
| Advanced             | ■ | ■ | ■ | ✓ | ■ | ■  |

## Learning Outcomes:

### Knowledge:

- K1.** Appraise key debates, issues and perspectives informing the study of Politics;
- K2.** Analyse Politics as a research-based scholarly discipline;
- K3.** Recognize forms, structures, content and methods relevant to scholarly journals in Politics.

### Skills:

- S1.** Research topics relevant to Politics;
- S2.** Analyse and evaluate scholarly literature in Politics;
- S3.** Summarise relevant research topics and outlining appropriate steps to achieve research outcomes.

### Application of knowledge and skills:

- A1.** Apply skills and knowledge of key concepts, debates, issues and perspectives in Politics;
- A2.** Synthesise debates, issues, concepts and perspectives in Politics by developing an annotated bibliography and designing a research project utilising relevant disciplinary publications;
- A3.** Identify links and tensions between issues, debates, concepts and perspectives by producing a research essay.

## Course Content:

Building on BAHRS 4032 Critical Theory, this advanced course in Politics will challenge students to develop a greater knowledge of key themes, debates and perspectives within the discipline of politics. The course will

# Course Outline

## BAHRS4106 ADVANCED STUDIES IN POLITICS

engage with and analyse scholarly literature relating to key political concepts such as power, legitimacy, institutions, rights and responsibilities. Students will adopt research methods appropriate to investigating these core disciplinary themes. The exact content of the course will depend on the course coordinator, and will be communicated to students through a detailed course description.

### Values and Graduate Attributes:

#### Values:

- V1.** Promote respect for the diversity of scholarship and scholarly approaches in Politics;  
Promote respect and deep appreciation of the breadth of Politics scholarship and its reliance upon
- V2.** continuing evaluations of processes, values, actors and structures involved in the exercise and distribution of power;
- V3.** Promote understanding of the processes and requirements of independent research in Politics.

#### Graduate Attributes:

| Attribute             | Brief Description  | Focus  |
|-----------------------|--|--------|
| Continuous Learning   | Students develop their abilities to understand processes, structures, actors and values.   | High   |
| Self Reliance         | Students develop skills in independent research and analysis.  | High   |
| Engaged Citizenship   | Students engage with political ideas, concepts, debates and perspectives as influences upon relationships between societies and governments, and the distribution of rights, responsibilities and power.   | Medium |
| Social Responsibility | Students develop their understanding of the political sphere and the distribution of power, rights and responsibilities in shaping opportunities to support orderly, harmonious and sustainable societies. | Medium |

### Learning Task and Assessment:

| Learning Outcomes Assessed | Assessment Task  | Assessment Type                             | Weighting |
|----------------------------|--|---|-----------|
| K1, K2, S1, S3, A1         | Students will provide a 300-word abstract summarising a research project appropriate to the discipline of Politics.  | Article proposal                            | 10-20%    |
| K1, K2, S2, S3, A1, A2     | Students will identify a journal appropriate to the research project outlined in assessment task one and provide a detailed plan for meeting submission requirements. Students will create an annotated bibliography comprised of literature relevant to the research project. | Article Proposal and Annotated Bibliography | 20-30%    |
| K1, K3, S1, S2, A1, A3     | Students will present their research in the form of an article designed to meet the submission requirements of the journal identified in assessment task two. Students have the option of submitting the article to the selected journal.                                      | Major research article or review essay.     | 50-70%    |

### Adopted Reference Style:

# Course Outline

BAHRS4106 ADVANCED STUDIES IN POLITICS

Other (as required by selected journal)