

# HENDRIX

## PROPOSED COURSE ADDITION OR REVISION

*Deadline for Area approval: 21 October 2011*

Proposer: Michael Sprunger  
Department/Program: History

Date: 9/20/2011  
Area: Social Sciences

Check appropriate boxes:

- ☐ New permanent course  
☐ Replaces existing course:  
☐ Change to existing course:

- ☐ New temporary course  
☒ Make temporary course permanent  
☐ Eliminate a course

Proposal – one sentence summary:

I propose making HIST 306 Crime and Punishment in East Asia a permanent course.

Proposed subject code(s) (indicate both if cross-listing): HIST

Proposed course # or level: ~~300~~ 306

Proposed course title: Crime and Punishment in East Asia

Proposed course catalog copy:

This course examines the conceptualization of crime and corresponding theories, practices, and institutions of punishment in East Asian history. The first half of the course traces the development of ideas and institutions of criminal punishment in China, Korea, and Japan from early times through the nineteenth century, focusing on common elements as well as distinctive developments in each society. We then turn our focus to the adoption and adaptation of Western penal forms and principles in East Asia from the late nineteenth century through the twentieth. Along the way, we address common assumptions and stereotypes about "oriental barbarism," and explore the relationships between crime, punishment, society, gender, technology, modernity, and imperialism.

Prerequisites/co-requisites and/or recommended prior courses, as listed in catalog copy:

none

How will the proposed revision affect any catalog lists of options for majors or minors?

Rationale for course within departmental and collegiate context and based on assessment results:

Student interest in this topic is evidenced by solid enrollment for HIST 338 Crime and Punishment in Medieval Europe as well as for courses in other departments focusing on crime and punishment, such as POLI/SOCI 226 Social Deviance, Crime and Punishment and ENGL 273 Studies: Crime Literature and Film.

Proposed general education code(s) (check all that apply):

- ☐ EA ☒ HP ☐ LS ☐ NS ☐ NS-L ☐ SB ☐ VA ☐ QS ☐ W1 ☐ FL [Curriculum Committee]  
☐ CW [CW Committee] ☐ W2 [Writing Across the Curriculum Committee]

Proposed Odyssey code(s) (check all that apply):

- ☐ AC ☐ GA ☐ PL ☐ SW ☐ UR ☐ SP [CEL Committee/Curriculum Committee]

For each of the checked general education or Odyssey codes, describe how the course fulfills the published criteria (see the Catalog, pages 18-23 or the Odyssey Program Guide, pages 10-16):

This course examines the construction of East Asian penal theories, practices, and institutions from a historical perspective.

Justification for cross-listing:

How often will the course be offered? every 2-3 years

Who will teach the course? Sprunger

Equipment, supply, and bibliographic requirements (items and cost): none

Will the above items be covered by a present budget? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Approval Chain (type name and date of approval)

Department chair:

Area chair:

Allison K. Shutt