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MEMORANDUM

DATE: 16 September 2026
TO: Department of Music Faculty
FROM: Kevin Wilt, Chair, FAU Department of Music
SUBJECT: Support of political science course, Pop Culture and American Politics

This memorandum supports the Department of Political Science in the creation of POS 3236 – Pop Culture in American Politics. While this course does contain musical content, its broader content relating to pop culture, political science, and American government, make its logical home the Department of Political Science.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kevin Wilt". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Kevin" and last name "Wilt" clearly distinguishable.

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Subject: SOC support for Pop Culture proposal
Date: Thursday, September 24, 2026 at 1:30:04 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Will McConnell
To: Rebecca LeMoine
CC: Laura Backstrom
Attachments: image001.png

Dear Rebecca,

We are writing to confirm that Sociology has no objections to your proposed course, POS 3236 Pop Culture & American Politics. Our faculty have reviewed the syllabus and determined that there is no significant overlap with our existing course, Sociology of Popular Culture. We wish you good luck with the new course.

Sincerely,
Will McConnell



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Monday, September 28, 2026 at 8:39:23 AM Eastern Daylight Time

Subject: Re: New course proposal for POS 3236: Pop Culture and American Politics

Date: Friday, September 25, 2026 at 4:30:43 PM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Shane Eason

To: Rebecca LeMoine

Hi Rebecca...

SCMS approves POS 3236 - Pop Culture and American Politics. Please see thread herein.

Best,

SCE

Director

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From: Shane Eason <eason@fau.edu>

Date: Friday, September 25, 2026 at 4:16 PM

To: Marquese McFerguson <mmcferguson@fau.edu>; Deandre Poole <dpooles3@fau.edu>

Subject: Re: New course proposal for POS 3236: Pop Culture and American Politics

Great! Will forward the email thread.

SCE

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From: Marquese McFerguson <mmcferguson@fau.edu>

Date: Friday, September 25, 2026 at 4:09 PM

To: Shane Eason <eason@fau.edu>; Deandre Poole <dpooles3@fau.edu>

Subject: Re: New course proposal for POS 3236: Pop Culture and American Politics

Hey Shane,

Thanks for sharing this information. I spoke with Deandre this afternoon. We both had a chance to review the proposed course syllabus. Deandre and I don't see an issue with the proposed course and would give it our approval.

Best,

Marquese

From: Shane Eason <eason@fau.edu>
Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2026 3:46 PM
To: Deandre Poole <dpoole3@fau.edu>; Marquese McFerguson <mmcferguson@fau.edu>
Subject: FW: New course proposal for POS 3236: Pop Culture and American Politics

Hi Marquese and Deandre,

Any thoughts/approvals/rejections on this? See emails below and attachments.

Thanks,

SCE

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From: Rebecca LeMoine <rlemoine@fau.edu>
Date: Thursday, September 24, 2026 at 3:24 PM
To: Shane Eason <eason@fau.edu>
Subject: Re: New course proposal for POS 3236: Pop Culture and American Politics

Hi Shane,

Thank you. It would be great to have their support before the Monday meeting, but if that's not possible then hopefully we can have a letter to add to the file before the UUPC meeting.

As for the form: we initially just consulted the music department. The CUPC chair recommended we also reach out to Communications and Sociology. So, that part of the form will be updated soon.

Best,
Rebecca



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w: **Dr. Rebecca LeMoine**

From: Shane Eason <eason@fau.edu>

Date: Thursday, September 24, 2026 at 2:46 PM

To: Rebecca LeMoine <rlemoine@fau.edu>

Subject: Re: New course proposal for POS 3236: Pop Culture and American Politics

Hi Rebecca...

I'll need to share with folks from the COM STUDIES side of SCMS. I believe they meet Monday but will try to expedite. Aside, on the new course form, MUSIC is listed.

Best,

SCE

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From: Rebecca LeMoine <rlemoine@fau.edu>

Date: Thursday, September 24, 2026 at 10:52 AM

To: Shane Eason <eason@fau.edu>

Subject: New course proposal for POS 3236: Pop Culture and American Politics

Hi Shane,

At the upcoming CUPC meeting on 09/28, the political science department will be proposing a new course to be added to the undergraduate catalogue: POS 3236: Pop Culture and American Politics. After reviewing our materials, the CUPC chair recommended we reach out to Communications for a letter of support. I realize the turnaround is tight, but if you all are able to review the course and write a letter of support (email would be fine), we would appreciate it.

Thank you!

Rebecca

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