DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

Add paragraph to Global Security Studies Graduate Certificate after course list:

Students may petition to have one alternative 3 credit hour course be substituted for one of the courses above. The course to be substituted must be a UTK graduate course (500 or 600 level) and clearly related to the content of the Global Security Studies certificate. The approval of this petition is at the discretion of the Department of Political Science, Director of Graduate Studies, to whom the petition should be made.

Revise PhD program requirements to:

Doctoral students admitted to the program must complete a minimum of 72 semester hours beyond the bachelor's degree, exclusive of credit for a master's thesis. These hours include 24 hours of Doctoral Research and Dissertation and a minimum of 48 semester hours in other courses graded A-F. Students also must pass a written comprehensive examination in two broad fields of political science (American government and politics; public administration; comparative government and politics; or international relations) and must pass a final oral examination on the dissertation.

In addition to the total hours required for the degree, the following requirements must also be met.

• At least 60 hours must be in political science courses.
• At least 60 hours in political science must be in courses numbered above 500.
• Completion of POLS 510, POLS 511 and POLS 513.
• Completion of at least three courses or seminars at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, in each field in which the student takes the comprehensive examination.
• Completion of at least two courses or seminars at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, in advanced methodology.
• A student may opt to take a minor in Methodology, which entails completing three courses or seminars at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, in advanced methodology, and passing an exam. Students that undertake a minor in Methodology are not required to take a comprehensive exam in a second substantive field, unless they choose to do so.
• A student for whom a language other than English is necessary for their dissertation research may, with the approval of the Director of Graduate Studies, substitute demonstrated proficiency in that language for one of the advanced methods courses.
• At least 6 hours must be earned in political science courses numbered above 600.
• A total of 24 hours must be earned by writing the dissertation.

Formerly:

Doctoral students admitted to the program must complete a minimum of 72 semester hours beyond the bachelor's degree, exclusive of credit for a master's thesis. These hours include 24
hours of Doctoral Research and Dissertation and a minimum of 48 semester hours in other
courses graded A-F. Students also must pass a written comprehensive examination in one broad
field of political science (American government and politics; public administration; comparative
government and politics; or international relations), must complete one cross-field concentration
(in methodology, public policy, or political economy), and must pass a final oral examination on
the dissertation.
Students undertaking a major field or dissertation in Comparative Politics are required to
demonstrate a proficiency in a foreign language. However, this requirement may be waived by
the Director of Graduate Studies in consultation with the Comparative politics faculty.
In addition to the total hours required for the degree, the following requirements must also be
met.
• At least 60 hours must be in political science courses.
• At least 60 hours in political science must be in courses numbered above 500.
• Completion of POLS 510, POLS 511 and POLS 513.
• Completion of at least three courses or seminars at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, in
  the field in which the students take the comprehensive examination.
• Completion of at least three courses or seminars at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville in
each of two minor fields.
• At least 6 hours must be earned in political science courses numbered above 600.
• A total of 24 hours must be earned by writing the dissertation.