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With this document, the Department of Professional Programs and more specifically the educational 
administration program is requesting authorization to deliver a new doctoral level course.

The title of the course being proposed is EDAM 6352 Education Politics, Law, and Policy. It is being 
developed with the intention that this course will count for a total of three semester credit hours 
(SCH). No authorization to deliver a lab in conjunction with this course is being requested.

Attached for the committee’s review, you will find a proposed list of student learning outcomes and a course description.

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EDAM 6352 Education Politics, Law, and Policy

Course Description

The purpose of this course is to advance students’ knowledge about education policy and politics, develop skills for policy analysis, draw out implications for school improvement, and foster leadership skills for effective schools.
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Course Objectives

COURSE OBJECTIVES/STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

After successfully completing this course, students will be able to:

1.) Discuss and critically analyze cutting edge policy issues, research and literature on school reform, school improvement, and education policy and politics.

2.) Analyze both broad strategies for the reform and improvement of schools and of specific policy issues and proposals at the local, state, and national level.

3.) Understand the political nature of education policy-making at all levels.

4.) Recognize and be able to explain the fundamental tensions existing among citizens, school boards, state and federal government entities, and professional educators.

5.) Identify decision-making and power structures at all levels.

6.) Explain the implications of variations in local community characteristics.

7.) Understand the implications of variations in school system characteristics.