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Response Required: New course will be part of major X minor X as a required
or elective X course

Response Required: New course will introduce , reinforce X , or apply concepts

PSCI 4312: The Constitution and Criminal Procedure Law **Three Semester Hours**
The Constitution's limits on government authority to gather evidence and investigate crime by examination of the Fourth Amendment's limits on search, seizure, and arrest; the Fifth Amendment's privilege against self-incrimination; and the Sixth Amendment's right to counsel. Crosslisted and interchangeable with CRIJ 4312.

Student Learning Outcomes: By the end of the semester students will demonstrate in examinations, in writing, and oral presentation the ability:

1. to articulate the basic constitutional protections afforded criminal defendants under the Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth Amendments, and the major cases that apply.
2. to identify, explain, and contrast the differences between a seizure of a person, an arrest, and an investigatory detention.
3. to explain and compare the process for evaluating the constitutionality of search and seizure issues within criminal cases.
4. to explain, apply, and debate the legal standard of probable cause as it applies to search and arrest warrants.
5. to explain, apply, and compare the process for evaluating the constitutionality of police-led interrogations of criminal suspects, including the Miranda warnings.
6. to recognize and analyze the many different rights that are associated with affording defendants "the right to a fair trial."
7. to explain and characterize the nature and scope of a defendant's right to a jury trial and the factors that might lead defendants to waive their right to a jury trial.
8. to recognize and analyze the extent of a defendant's rights under the Confrontation Clause.

9. to identify, explain, and contrast the limitations of the right against double jeopardy, including the many exceptions to the double jeopardy rule.

Justification: this is reinstating an older course we once deleted from the catalog because we now have new faculty with this expertise, and this is a substantive sub-field of political science. The change also coordinates our Constitution Law course with the CRIJ major.

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