# **COURSE SPECIFICATION DOCUMENT**

**Academic School/Department:** Communications, Arts and Social Sciences

**Programme:** Political Science

FHEQ Level: 6

**Course Title:** Citizenship: National and Global

Course Code: PLT 6405

Course Leader: Dr Eunice Goes

Student Engagement Hours:120Lectures:22.5Seminar / Tutorials:22.5Independent / Guided Learning:75

**Semester:** FALL and/or SPRING and/or SUMMER

**Credits:** 12 UK CATS credits

6 ECTS credits 3 US credits

### **Course Description:**

Examines the theoretical, political and sociological conceptions of citizenship. Tracing the development of the concept from ancient societies to the present day, it examines both the theoretical constructs and the concrete political meanings of the term. The course therefore considers the development of the nation state and the establishment of both legal and social citizenship. The course also addresses the notion of global citizenship in the context of international governance as well as the globalization of both economies and environmental issues.

Pre-requisites: PLT 4100 or HST 4110 or PHL 4100

# Aims and Objectives:

- To develop students' understanding of the concept of citizenship and to the different dimensions of citizenship
- To help students develop a systematic understanding of the theories and practices of citizenship
- Develop a systematic understanding of the theoretical debates surrounding the concept of citizenship.
- Develop a systematic understanding of the gender, ethnic, cultural, multicultural and international dimensions of citizenship

• Develop a systematic understanding of the socio-economic factors that underpin the theory and practice of citizenship.

### **Programme Outcomes:**

At the end of this course, the students will have achieved the following programme

outcomes. 6A(iv); 6B(ii); 6B(iv); 6C(i); 6C(iii); 6C(iv); 6D(ii); 6D(iv)

A detailed list of the programme outcomes is found in the Programme Specification. This is maintained by Registry and located at: <a href="https://www.richmond.ac.uk/programme-and-course-specifications/">https://www.richmond.ac.uk/programme-and-course-specifications/</a>

## **Learning Outcomes:**

At the end of this course, the students will have achieved the following learning outcomes.

- Demonstrates a systematic understanding of theoretical perspectives of and major thematic debates about citizenship, with a sophisticated disciplinary analysis that utilises knowledge from other cognate fields as is appropriate
- Demonstrates a systematic insight into the cultural, economic, environmental, geographical, historical, international and social dimensions of citizenship, and of the significance of these for theories and models of citizenship.
- Demonstrates a systematic understanding of the global dimension of citizenship, for example through a critical engagement with debates about international citizenship, multicultural citizenship, and/or the impact of migration on concepts of citizenship
- Takes responsibility for their own learning, and completes assigned work with a
  degree of clarity, contextualisation, critical thinking, capacity for comparative
  analysis, conceptual sophistication and reflexive normative understanding
  appropriate for a 6000- level course

### **Indicative Content:**

- Theoretical debates regarding citizenship
- Historical overview of citizenship practices
- Citizens and the modern state
- Global citizenship
- Environmental citizenship
- Socio-economic dimensions of citizenship

#### **Assessment:**

This course conforms to the University Assessment Norms approved at Academic Board.

#### **Teaching Methodology:**

This course will be taught through a combination of lectures and seminar-type activities, including group work, sub-group activities, classroom discussion, and the showing of documentaries. The general approach to classes is informal, and discussion is viewed as an essential part of an interactive and participatory learning program. Audio-visual aids, study materials and electronic learning resources will be used as appropriate.

Lectures provide a framework for the course, and are designed to ensure students have an overview of main issues and concerns on a particular topic, receive clarification on the major

points of debate understand the broad dimensions of core problems, and are aware of relevant

literature in the specific area of concern. It is essential that lectures are supplemented with assigned readings; together, the readings and the lectures are designed to provide guidance for seminar discussion.

Seminar classes are based on the principle of active and student-directed learning, and are designed to be Safe, Enjoyable, Managed, Inclusive, Necessary, Academic, Respectful & Stimulating. The seminars provide an opportunity for discussion of contentious issues, addressing questions and exploring academic debates in more depth, group and sub-group discussion. They are encouraged to share their opinions freely, but must also maintain respect for the opinions of others. It is expected that students will participate regularly in discussions in a creative, competent and critical way, as the formulation of their own thoughts and clarification of their assumptions, often in contradiction to other students' thoughts and assumptions, form a crucial part of the learning process. Students are expected to come to seminar classes <u>prepared</u>.

## **Bibliography:**

- Gerard Delanty Citizenship in a Global Age, OUP 2000
- Peter Kivisto, Thomas Feist, Citizenship: Discourse, Theory, and Transnational Prospects, 2007
- Saskia Sassen Guests and Aliens, 2003

### Change Log for this CSD:

Major or Minor Change ?	Nature of Change	Date Approved & Approval Body (School or LTPC)	Change Actioned by Academic Registry