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LIBRARY IMPACT STATEMENT

LIBRARIANS' ASSESSMENT

Course: PSC 421: Secularism and Islamism in the Modern World

Department, College: Department of Political Science in the College of Arts and Sciences

Faculty Members: Asst. Prof. Katrin Jomaa

Date returned to Faculty: 21 September 2015

Librarian Completing Assessment: m. vocino

PSC 421: Secularism and Islamism in the Modern World is an upper level seminar course that will explore and research ...”secularism as a philosophical and political doctrine.” Research and research papers will require much library use.

We are able to add whatever appropriate monographic needs may arise for the instructor and students of this course, but we cannot add any new journal titles except through a drop/add policy that requires the department to identify a journal title (of equal value) that it would like to drop from its serials list to permit the addition of another. Our monographic holdings in Political Science, Philosophy and Religion are excellent and will meet the requirements of this course. The critical journals and electronic resources in the field that the University Library *needs* to support this course -- as indicated in the syllabus -- the library has. What I don't understand from the syllabus is that the instructor is buying monographs with “Provost money” and that the resources will be available “in the library store”....What is the “library store?” I'll assume the instructor means they will be on reserve.

All that said, we should be able to support this course bibliographically. My suggestion is that if bibliographic instruction is required for this course, the instructor for the course should contact our information literacy specialists through the Information and Research Help Desk at 874-2653.

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