SUMMER 2021 P/NP GRADING POLICY FOR POLITICAL ECONOMY MAJORS

As you are aware, the UC Berkeley campus has extended the policy modifications related to P/NP grades through Summer 2021. The Interdisciplinary Social Science Programs (ISSP), which houses the Political Economy major, will accept P/NP grades for all lower-division and upper-division courses that count towards the major taken during Summer 2021. This includes courses taken at UC Berkeley as well as at other universities and community colleges.

*See below for grading information related to GLOBAL 45/IAS N45.

SUMMER 2021 IAS N45 GRADING INFORMATION

Students are required to earn a B- or better in IAS N45 in order to declare the Political Economy major. Even if you select P/NP in Summer 2021, instructors in this course will keep a record of the grades you would have received had you not selected the P/NP option. The instructors will report those grades to the program's advisors, who can then determine whether or not you are eligible to declare the PE major. If you earn a B- or better in IAS N45, whether or not you choose to have the letter grade on your transcript, you will be admitted to the major. If you earn a C+ in IAS N45, you ordinarily would not be admitted to the major. For Summer 2021 only, we will allow you to be admitted to the major if you complete an upper-division course from the list below in academic year 2021-22 and earn a B- or better. We are therefore expanding the number of students who will be admitted to the major, but to be clear, students who receive grades of C, C-, D+, D, D-, NP, or F will not be eligible for the major.

- POLECON COURSES: POLECON 100; POLECON 101
- Questions? Contact a Political Economy Advisor

UC BERKELEY CAMPUS RULE ON THE NUMBER OF UNITS TAKEN P/NP

The P/NP policy noted above does not affect the campus rule that stipulates that P grades can account for no more than 1/3 of total units completed at UC Berkeley.

GPA REQUIREMENT FOR DECLARING THE PE MAJOR

The P/NP policy noted above does not affect the 2.7 GPA requirement to declare the PE major. The GPA will be calculated based on those courses taken for a grade.