**1) New Course: COMM 210A: Presidential Rhetoric - Narratives**

 **(Kunde)**

4 credits

 This course investigates the genre of presidential rhetoric in different contexts and what it means to be constituted as citizens through that rhetoric.

2) **New Course: KNES 250: Sociology of Sport and Physical Culture**

 **(Edmonds)**

 4 credits

 To some, sport and physical culture seem to exist outside of society – somehow removed

 from the political, social, and cultural issues that shape our daily lives. This course seeks to

 challenge that separation: instead arguing that sport and physical culture are deeply

 intertwined with the values of our current socio-political moment. This course will ask you to

 think critically about a topic you may have taken for granted.

**3) Credit change: GEOL 450 and 451**

 The Department of Geology proposes changing its 2-course 8-credit SI program (GEOL-450 and GEOL-451) to 2-course a 4-credit program by reducing the credit of each course from 4 to 2. We propose to continue to offer GEOL-450 Research Methods during spring semester as a required course for juniors, but as a 2-credit course. Similarly, seniors will be required to enroll in fall semester GEOL-451 for 2 credits beginning in 2020-2021; an IP grade is assigned until all work is complete at the end of spring semester. In addition, GEOL-450 will lose its lab section, eliminating GEOL-450L-01 from

 the schedule beginning with this spring’s course, 2020.

**4) Course replacement: FREN 380 & 380A Special Topics**

 French replaces current Special Topics catalog listing (FREN 380: 2-4 credits) with two courses: FREN 380 (4 credits) and FREN 380A (2 credits).

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