**Perspectives in American Institutions and Physical Sciences (WSU 2270)**

Syllabus

Credits: 3-6

**Course Description**: This course will address ...

**Text**:

**Grading**:

**Student Learning Outcomes**:

This general education course will meet the learning outcomes for American Institutions and Physical Sciences. Specifically a student completing this course will demonstrate an understanding of:

1. the significant political, economic, and social changes in American history.
2. the major principles of American civilization, including the concepts of popular sovereignty, liberty, and equality.
3. the institutions and practices of the government provided for in the United States Constitution.
4. the basic workings and evolution of a market economy in the United States.

Furthermore, a student will demonstrate an understanding of the following features of the physical world:

5. Organization of systems: The universe is scientifically understandable in terms of interconnected systems. The systems evolve over time according to basic physical laws.

6. Matter: Matter comprises an important component of the universe, and has physical properties that can be described over a range of scales.

7. Energy: Interactions within the universe can be described in terms of energy exchange and conservation.

8. Forces: Equilibrium and change are determined by forces acting at all organizational levels.