INTRODUCTION TO POLICY ANALYSIS

COURSE OUTLINE
“In this course, students will use their knowledge of the political and economic foundations of public policy making to conduct research in a wide variety of public policy problems.” (UCSD Catalog, 2007-2008). Students will do a significant amount of reading in this class, since each lecture will assume the student has already read the approximately 80 pages assigned for the day. In addition, students will be preparing a major policy analysis that will require outside research.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS
Your course grade will be based on two papers, a midterm and a non-cumulative final examination. The midterm and final exams will consist of five short IDs and an essay. Each ID will require you to identify the source, meaning and significance of a term. The essay will ask the students to address a larger issue covered in the course. Both the IDs and the essay will be drawn from study guides I will hand out at least one week prior to the exams. You will need to bring blue books to class in order to complete the midterm and final exams.

You are permitted to form groups to assist you in preparing for examinations, but neither your papers nor your exams should be anyone’s work but your own. Be sure to carefully review the “UCSD Policy on Integrity of Scholarship” that is included in the General Catalog and posted on the internet. If a student submits work closely resembling that of colleagues, or work that uses sources without proper citation, he or she may be faced with charges of academic dishonesty. Please ask for clarification if you do not understand. There is NO extra credit with which to compensate for poor performance; course grades are calculated as follows:

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This syllabus establishes due dates for all course work. If you can't make these deadlines, please don't take the class. Exceptions are invidious and make the course unfair for other students. Late work will be penalized by at least one-half of one grade if not handed in at the time and date it is due, and by one-half of one grade more for each day it is late.

Required Texts
SCHEDULE--LECTURES, READINGS, AND ASSIGNMENTS

March 30  Broad Overview of Course and Concepts.
          Practical Analysis and Public Policy
          No readings assigned before the first day of lecture.
April 1 and 3  The Analysis of Policy and the Policy of Analysis.
               Begin Bardach.
April 6  Problematic Solutions.
          Finish Bardach.
April 8, 10  Policy Types:  Distribution, Regulation and Redistribution.
              Begin Wilson.
April 13  From Womb to Tomb:  The Making of the Therapeutic State.
          Continue Wilson.
April 15  Infrastructure:  The Growth of Policy and the Policy of Growth.
          Continue Wilson.
April 17, 20  Regulation as a Distributive Good:  Are the Triangles Golden or Iron?
              Finish Wilson.
April 22, 24  Morality and Policy:  The Regulation of Behavior.
              Begin Derthick.
April 27, 29  Congress and Policy Analysis:  The CBO and the GAO.
              Continue Derthick.
May 1  Judges as Policy Analysts:  The Civil versus Common Law Traditions.
       Finish Derthick.
May 4  MIDTERM EXAMINATION
       Please bring 8.5” x 11” blue books.
May 6, 8  Local Politics and Fiscal Policy.
          Begin Baldassare.
May 11, 13  Federalism and the Limits of Cities.  (PROSPECTUS DUE May 13!)
            Continue Baldassare.
May 18  Human Capital and the State Capitol:  California Education Policy.
        Continue Baldassare.
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May 22, 25  Smart Growth:  Cities as Regional Economic Engines.
            Finish Baldassare.
May 27, 29  Benign Neglect as a Policy Choice.
            Begin Schlosser.
June 1  The Progressives and Food:  Meat Packing Inspection Act.
        Continue Schlosser.
June 3  American Corporatism:  the Private-Public Fusion.
        Continue Schlosser.  (POLICY PAPER DUE!)
June 5  Wither (Whither?) the Future:  Environmentalists and Growth.
        Finish Schlosser.
June 12  FINAL EXAMINATION
        3:00-6:00 p.m.—Please note:  final scheduled for Friday!
        Please bring 8.5” x 11” blue books.