

## Course Syllabus

1. **Program of Study** Bachelor of Arts (Social Science)  
**Faculty/Institute/College** Mahidol University International College
2. **Course Code** ICSO 400 **Course Title** Senior Seminar
3. **Number of Credits** 4 (**Lecture / Lab**) (4-0)
4. **Prerequisite (s)** None
5. **Type of Course** Social Science required course
6. **Trimester / Academic Year** Second Trimester / Every academic year
7. **Course Description**  
 Seminar discussion of selected topics, theories and methodologies in order to prepare students for independent study research projects.
8. **Course Objective (s)**
  - (i) To assist students in framing research queries and planning the development of projects.
  - (ii) To provide students with a forum in which to exchange ideas and viewpoints.

### 9. Course Outline

Week	Topic		Instructor
	Lecture	Hour	
1	Introduction and discussion of individual topics	4	Dr. Copeland
2	Project viability issues	4	
3	Tailoring theory	4	
4	Appropriate methodologies	4	
5	Significance - research in context	4	
6	Outlines and literature reviews	4	
7	Student presentations	4	
8	Writing - proposals	4	
9	Writing - introductions	4	
10	Writing - drafts	4	
11	Peer assessment and review	4	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>44</b>	

### 10. Teaching Method (s)

Discussions, small group activities.

**11. Teaching Media**

Handouts.

**12. Measurement and evaluation of student achievement**

Students will have completed a draft independent study proposal and obtained approval for their projects by the end of the term.

**13. Course evaluation**

Ten weekly writing assignments / classroom activities will be used to assess 50% of the grade. The remaining 50% of the grade will be based on student submission of a draft independent study proposal.

**14. Reference (s)**

Handout materials as deemed appropriate.

**15. Instructor (s)**

Dr. Matthew Copeland

**16. Course Coordinator**

Dr. Matthew Copeland