

POLITICAL SCIENCE, MINOR - LIBERAL ARTS

Liberal Arts (Code 420-401)

Code	Title	Credits
Twenty-four semester credits including:		
POLS 110	American National Politics	3
POLS 122	Introduction to World Politics	3
Electives:		
At least one course at the 300-400 level in each of the four course groupings defined below		
At least 18 credits must be taken at the 200 level or above		18

Information for Political Science Majors and Minors

Political Science courses at the 200 level and above are classified into the following four course groupings:

American Politics

POLS 217	Freedom of Speech	3
POLS 301	State and Local Politics	3
POLS 305	Survey of U.S. Constitutional Principles	3
POLS 338	Judicial Politics	3
POLS 340	Congress and the Presidency	3
POLS 341	Political Parties, Elections, and Voting	3
POLS 342	Public Opinion and Political Behavior	3
POLS 343	Public Administration	3
POLS 344	Media and Politics	3
POLS 345	Film and Politics	3
POLS 346	Public Policy in the United States	3
POLS 350	Group and Minority Politics	3
POLS 353	Afro-American Politics	3
POLS 403	U.S. Constitutional Principles - Powers of Government	3
POLS 404	U.S. Constitutional Principles - Civil Liberties	3
POLS 405	U.S. Constitutional Principles - Due Process and Criminal Law	3
POLS 406	U.S. Constitutional Principles - Equality and Privacy	3
POLS/AIS 250	American Indian Politics	3
POLS/WGSS 351	Women and Politics	3

International Relations

POLS 325	Model United Nations	3
POLS 330	U.S. Foreign Policy	3
POLS 331	International Organization and Law	3
POLS 332	International Conflict	3
POLS 334	International Political Economy	3
POLS 335	International Relations Theory	3
POLS 336	Arab-Israeli Conflict	3

Comparative Government

POLS 260	Introduction to Comparative Politics	3
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POLS 321	Politics of the Middle East	3
POLS 322	Politics of Russia	3
POLS 323	Politics of Eastern Europe	3
POLS 324	Politics of Asia	3
POLS 327	Politics of Continental Europe	3
POLS 329	Political Violence	3
POLS/WGSS 352	Gender and Politics in Global Perspective	3
POLS 390	Culture and Politics	3
POLS/LAS 319	Politics of Latin America	3
Political Theory		
POLS 309	Classical Political Thought	3
POLS 310	Modern Political Thought	3
POLS 311	Contemporary Political Thought	3
POLS 312	American Political Thought	3
POLS 314	The Idea of Tolerance in the Western Political Tradition	3
POLS 354	Identity and Discrimination in Politics	3

NOTE: All majors should take POLS 290 before taking any 300 level courses.

Program Learning Outcomes

Students completing this program will be expected to meet the following learning outcomes:

- **Communication Skills:** Political Science students will be able to write and speak effectively.
- **Research Skills:** Political Science students will be able to construct research questions and use appropriate sources and methods to answer them.
- **Knowledge of American Politics:** Political Science students will analyze political behavior, institutions, and law or policy.
- **Knowledge of Political Theory:** Political Science students will analyze core intellectual traditions in political thought and apply to political issues.
- **Knowledge of International Relations:** Political Science students will analyze the behavior of international actors and the nature of their interactions.
- **Knowledge of Comparative Politics:** Political Science students will analyze the political systems of states.
- **Civic Responsibility:** Political Science students will demonstrate sense of responsibility necessary to become constructive global citizens.
- **Integration:** Political Science students will connect academic knowledge to their own experiences and make connections across disciplines.