POLITICAL SCIENCE (PSCI)

Courses

PSCI 1101 (3) Introduction to American Politics
Emphasizes interrelations among levels and branches of government, formal and informal institutions, processes, and behavior.
Additional Information: GT Pathways: GT-SS1 - Soc Behav Sci: Econ or Pol Systems
Arts Sci Core Curr: Contemporary Societies
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: American
MAPS Course: Social Science
MAPS Course: Social Science US Context

PSCI 2004 (3) Survey of Western Political Thought
Studies main political philosophies and political issues of Western culture, from antiquity to 20th century.
Additional Information: GT Pathways: GT-SS1 - Soc Behav Sci: Econ or Pol Systems
Arts Sci Core Curr: Ideals and Values
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 2012 (3) Introduction to Comparative Politics
Most countries confront a variety of common political problems, including how to gain popular support, what kinds of political institutions are most appropriate, and how to distribute burdens and benefits to different segments of the population. Concentrates on learning how to compare different political systems and provides illustrative examples from several countries in both the industrialized and nonindustrialized world.
Additional Information: GT Pathways: GT-SS1 - Soc Behav Sci: Econ or Pol Systems
Arts Sci Core Curr: Contemporary Societies
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 2028 (3) Special Topics
Offers subjects not covered by existing courses. Offered when department approves a special topic.
Repeatable: Repeatable for up to 12.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: General

PSCI 2075 (3) Quantitative Research Methods
Introduces quantitative research methods used in political science. Focuses on basic tools of analysis: data collection, processing, and evaluation, with special attention to survey techniques. Includes elite and case study analysis; aggregate, cluster, and content analysis; and the use of computers in political research.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Core Curr: Quant Reasn Mathmat Skills
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Quantitative Reasoning Math
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Empirical Theory and Research Methodology
MAPS Course: Mathematics

PSCI 2106 (3) Introduction to Public Policy Analysis
Studies policymaking processes in American government, factors shaping public decision, and issues and questions relevant to political inquiry.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Public Policy

PSCI 2116 (3) Introduction to Environmental Policy and Policy Analysis
Teaches a systematic general framework for the analysis of environmental policy issues. Analyzes the interaction of environmental sciences, ethics, and policy across a range of environmental policy problems. Stress critical thinking and practical applications.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Public Policy

PSCI 2223 (3) Introduction to International Relations
Introduces the field of international relations, with general survey of the theories, histories, and problems of historical and contemporary relations among state and nonstate actors.
Additional Information: GT Pathways: GT-SS1 - Soc Behav Sci: Econ or Pol Systems
Arts Sci Core Curr: Contemporary Societies
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: International Relations

PSCI 2481 (3) Introduction to the Legal Process
Covers basic legal concepts and processes emphasizing the American system. Gives special attention to political functions of law. Recommended as preparation for PSCI 4241.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 1101.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: American

PSCI 3011 (3) The American Presidency and the Executive Branch
Examines the constitutional, institutional and historical development of the presidency and the federal bureaucracy. Explores the changing role of the executive branch in the U.S. political system over time and competing views of executive power.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: American

PSCI 3021 (3) U.S. Campaigns and Elections
Introduces students to the subjects, techniques, and findings of Political Science research on campaigns and elections. Particular emphasis is placed on the study of voting, campaign effects, partisan coalitions, electoral rules, campaign finance, and the policy impact of elections.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 1101.
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: American

PSCI 3022 (3) Russian Politics
Covers the important and pressing issues in modern Russia politics since 1990. How and why did Communism end? How did Putin come to power, what are his goals, and how long will he stay in power? What is going on with the Russian-Ukrainian conflict? Does the Russian government interfere in the politics of other countries? Come learn about the politics of this major world power.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Core Curr: Contemporary Societies
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Comparative
PSCI 3031 (3) Political Parties and Interest Groups
Highlights the practice of party politics in the United States, including the nature, structure, organization, and functions of political parties and interest groups. Analyzes interest group politics and political behavior.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 1101.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 3032 (3) Democracy, Inequality and Violence in Latin America
Stresses different perspectives on Latin American politics and understanding key political actors and processes. Country focus varies.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2012.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Core Curr: Contemporary Societies
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 3035 (3) Introduction to Qualitative Research Methods
Enables students to create and critique qualitative research designs including comparative case studies, process tracing, interviews, archival research, and mixed methods. Includes lectures and in- or out-of-class exercises in which students use ideas discussed in the course to develop their own applied knowledge of these methods. Previously offered as a special topics course.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences

PSCI 3041 (3) The American Congress
Provides intensive examination of the role of Congress in American government, including congressional elections, representation, the organization of Congress, and congressional policy making. Examines larger context of congressional politics, including political parties, the president, and interest groups.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 1110.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: American

PSCI 3051 (3) Public Opinion and Political Behavior
Examines measurement of public opinion and evaluation of its impact on governmental policy formation, including survey research techniques.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 1110.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: American

PSCI 3052 (3) Gender and Politics in Latin America
Examines Latin American politics with particular focus on women's participation in social movements, war, revolution, and elections. Compares women's and men's politics and activism and examines changing gender and sexuality policies, gender relations, and the differential impact of political, economic, and social changes on men and women.
Equivalent - Duplicate Degree Credit Not Granted: WGST 3650
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisite WGST 2600 or PSCI 3032.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Diversity-Global Perspective
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 3054 (3) American Political Thought
Highlights the development of American political theories and ideas from colonial period to present. Can also be taken for American field credit.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2004.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Core Curr: Ideals and Values
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Political Theory

PSCI 3061 (3) State Government and Politics
Examines politics in the American states from a comparative and historical perspective. Considers major political actors—interest groups, citizens (direct democracy), and political parties, as well as central institutions, in the state political arena. Also focuses on major state public policy concerns.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 1101.
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: American

PSCI 3062 (3) Revolution and Political Violence
Studies and evaluates alternative theoretical frameworks for the analysis of revolution and political violence. Theoretical material is firmly couched in case situations, such as ethnic, class, colonial, urban, racial, and religious conflicts.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 1101 or PSCI 2012 or IAFS 1000.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 3064 (3) Environmental Political Theory
Examines environmental discourses as conceptual means for theorizing environmental politics, and applies normative political theories to contemporary environmental policy issues. Considers the roles of political actors (individuals, groups, the state) in defining and addressing environmental problems on local, national, and global levels.
Equivalent - Duplicate Degree Credit Not Granted: ENVS 3064
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2004.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Core Curr: Ideals and Values
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Arts Humanities
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Political Theory

PSCI 3071 (3) Urban Politics
Examines the structure of political, social, and economic influence in urban areas. Focuses on the relationship of the political system to governmental, social, and economic institutions and the contemporary policy processes in American cities.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 1101.
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: American
PSCI 3072 (3) Government and Politics in Southeast Asia
Surveys historical and contemporary forces shaping politics in Southeast Asia. Gives special attention to comparative political economy, including development strategies and transitions to democracy.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2012 or IAFS 1000.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Comparative
Departmental Category: Asia Content

PSCI 3075 (3) Applied Political Science Research
Introduces the types of research design and quantitative methodology used in applied political science research. Directly builds on the data analysis performed in Quantitative Research Methods (PSCI 2075).
Requisites: Requires prerequisite course of PSCI 2075 (minimum grade C).
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Empirical Theory and Research Methodology

PSCI 3082 (3) Political Systems of Sub-Saharan Africa
Analyzes post-independence and post-Cold War change in sub-Saharan Africa and provides intensive case studies of selected countries exemplifying each type with South Africa seen as a special case.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2012 or IAFS 1000.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Core Curr: Contemporary Societies
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 3084 (3) Diversity, Disagreement, and Democracy: an Introduction to the Theory and Practice of Democracy
Examines the justification and limits for moral, political and religious pluralism. Students will be trained in the practice of dialogue and research the historical context of a subject that would be appropriate for a dialogue, and then interview members of the community who have different perspectives on the subject.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 3091 (3) Politics of Social Movements
Examines theoretical and empirical research on social movements from a U.S. perspective. Considers why social movements arise, who participates in them, the tactics they employ, obstacles they face, and their political impact.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 1101.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: American

PSCI 3092 (3) Comparative Political Economy
Presents theories on the interaction between policies and economics, economic models of politics, and familiarizes students with an approach that will prove useful in understanding current developments in both economics and politics. Explores relationships between financial markets, currency regimes and politics with some special consideration of the behavioral foundations of political and economic developments. Recommended prerequisite: PSCI 2012.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 3101 (3) Black Politics
Examines structure of political, social, and economic influence in urban areas. Focuses on the relationship of political processes to governmental, social, and economic institutions and contemporary policy processes in American cities.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2012.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Core Curr: Human Diversity
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Diversity-U.S. Perspective
Departmental Category: American

PSCI 3102 (3) South Asian Politics
Examines the diverse political trajectories of four South Asian countries: India, Pakistan, Nepal, and Sri Lanka. Using a comparative lens, we will take into account historical, cultural, and economic, in addition to political, factors in deciphering this diversity of political paths.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2012 or IAFS 1000.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Comparative
Departmental Category: Asia Content

PSCI 3105 (3) Designing Social Inquiry: An Introduction to Analyzing Political Phenomena
Tackles conceptualization and measurement with a focus on reliability and validity of measures at the individual level. Explores how improper measurement and conceptualization can affect our inferences. Investigates how to use the tools of causal logic with statistical tools to differentiate linear, spurious, intervening and conditional relationships with a particular focus on what it means to “control for other factors”.
Requisites: Requires prerequisite course of PSCI 2075 (minimum grade C). Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors).
Additional Information: Arts Sci Core Curr: Quant Reasn Mathmat Skills
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Quantitative Reasoning Math
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Empirical Theory and Research Methodology

PSCI 3122 (3) Authoritarianism in the Digital Age
Introduces students to cutting edge research on how changes in information communication technologies (ICTs) have shaped politics in authoritarian regimes. Drawing on longstanding theories in the comparative politics literature, students will learn how governments, citizens, and non state actors use digital technologies to achieve their goals.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2012.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences

PSCI 3123 (3) War, Peace, and Strategic Defense
Analyzes employment, or the threat of employing force, in securing American interests in the post-Cold War world. Gives special attention to utilities claimed for nuclear weapons, and alternatively, to weapons control and disarmament.
Equivalent - Duplicate Degree Credit Not Granted: PACS 3800
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2223.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: International Relations
PSCI 3142 (3) Politics, History and Society of Cuba
Provide students with general knowledge about Cuba, its history, government, and economy, with a particular emphasis on the Cuban Revolution and more current events such as changes to travel restrictions and US policy toward Cuba under Obama, Trump and Biden. As a global intensive, it also involves a 10-day travel/educational program in Cuba that will occur after the semester.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences

PSCI 3143 (3) Current Affairs in International Relations
Analyzes the various theoretical and policy challenges facing the post-Cold War world, with an emphasis on examining alternative conceptions of and approaches to such challenges.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2223.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Core Curr: Contemporary Societies
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: International Relations

PSCI 3155 (3) Survey Design and Analysis
Provides the unique experience of involvement in ongoing survey research. Designed for students from different disciplines who will learn about what makes a good versus bad survey, how to write effective questions and how to put survey questions together into a cohesive questionnaire. Gain insight into the pitfalls of survey research and how to overcome them. Provides hands-on, real world experience on the design, implementation and analysis of the annual Colorado Political Climate survey.
Requisites: Requires prerequisite course ANTH 4000 or APPM 4570 or BCOR 1020 or ECON 3818 or GEOG 3023 or GEOL 3023 or MATH 2510 or PSCI 2075 or PSYC 2111 or SOCY 2061 (minimum grade C-).
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Empirical Theory and Research Methodology

PSCI 3163 (3) American Foreign Policy
Examines foundations, assumptions, objectives, dynamics, and methods of U.S. foreign policy since WWII. Gives special attention to domestic and external problems of adapting U.S. policy to the changing world environment.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2223.
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: International Relations

PSCI 3172 (3) Democracy and Its Citizens in the US and EU
Explores the political institutions of the US and the EU and asks questions pertaining to the very citizenship experience in these two places; including policy, rights and liberties, quality of life, national identity, and immigration.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Core Curr: Contemporary Societies
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 3174 (3) Sex, Power, and Politics: U.S. Perspectives
Explores how norms of sex, gender, race and sexuality find expression in institutions and policies in ways that legitimize only certain individuals as political actors, certain identities as politically relevant, and certain relationships as important. Critically examines how norms may be exposed, resisted, and changed by studying the politics of the women’s, gay liberation, and men’s movements in the U.S.
Equivalent - Duplicate Degree Credit Not Granted: WGST 3174
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2004 or WGST 2000 or LGBT 2000.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Political Theory

PSCI 3183 (3) International Law
Investigates the legal principles and landmark judicial cases that govern relations between countries and other international actors. Explores the development and effectiveness of law on issues such as human rights, war crimes, and the use of military force.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2223.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: International Relations

PSCI 3184 (3) Race, Power, and Politics
Examines the fraught relationship between democracy and racial inequality in the US expressed in the founding contradiction between the Declaration of Independence and the recognition of slavery in the US Constitution. Explores these issues through study of the abolition movement, the Jim Crow era, Civil Rights and Black Power movements, immigrant activism, the American Indian movement, and Black Lives Matter.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2004.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences

PSCI 3191 (3) National Security Organization and Policy Making
Analyzes how the American governmental and political system is structured to define, select, and implement national security policies. Examines roles of the president, Congress, bureaucracy, interest groups, and other actors.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 1101.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: American

PSCI 3193 (3) International Behavior
Presents alternate theoretical frameworks for the explanation of international processes. Applies theories of conflict behavior and social organization to problems of war and peace.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2223.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: International Relations
PSCI 3205 (3) Undergraduate Research Experience
Broads and strengthens social science methodological skills and training by providing research collaboration between undergraduates and advanced graduate students and faculty. Promotes hands-on learning, immersion in the research process, and professional relationships. Students will collectively design and execute an original research project on a topic chosen with guidance by the instructor.

Requisites: Requires prerequisite course of PSCI 2075 (minimum grade C-). Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomore, Junior or Senior) Political Science (PSCI) majors or minors only. Restricted to students with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Additional Information: Departmental Category: Empirical Theory and Research Methodology

PSCI 3206 (3) The Environment and Public Policy
Considers constitutional, political, and geographic factors in development of public policy affecting the use of natural resources and management of the environment; organization, procedures, and programs for use of natural resources; and administration of environmental policies.

Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.

Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 1101 or PSCI 2012.

Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences Departmental Category: Public Policy

PSCI 3211 (3) The Politics of Economic Inequality in the United States
Explores empirical and normative origins and current state of economic inequality in the United States from a political science perspective. Evaluates how ideas about democracy and public policy address economic inequality, including the roles of gender, race and class in inequality. Examines the relationship between economic inequality and political inequality in both political behavior and political institutions.

Requisites: Requires a prerequisite course of PSCI 1101 (minimum grade D-).


PSCI 3213 (3) International Political Economy
Analyzes issues at the intersection of international politics and international economics. Utilizes theories and concepts from both economics and political science to understand issues in trade, finance, development and migration. Formerly PSCI 4193.

Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2223.

Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences Departmental Category: International Relations

PSCI 3216 (3) Politics of Social Policy
Examines theoretical assumptions, political processes, program content, and analytical methods used in development of US social policy. Current social policy issues are put in historic context and include assessment of social, economic, and political influences on policy choices and outcomes. Students have opportunity to compare policy approaches and gain practice in evaluating the politics and content of public policy alternatives.

Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 1101, PSCI 2106 or PSCI 2012.

PSCI 3223 (3) International Human Rights
Introduces the basic concepts behind international human rights. We define human rights and learn how human rights norms have developed. We explore why countries regularly violate the human rights of their own citizens. We learn how politics complicates the interactions between countries and other actors to protect human rights. Finally, we analyze the promise and limits of international cooperation and law in promoting human rights.

Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2223.

Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences

PSCI 3225 (3) Strategy and Politics
Focuses on the rational choice approach to understanding political decision making. Introduces students to the tools and methods of game-theoretic reasoning, and examines the strategic logic of many forms of political decision-making, including voting, lawmaking, and international conflict.

Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.

Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 1101 or PSCI 2012 or PSCI 2223.


PSCI 3271 (3) Law and Society: Legal Institutions and Human Behavior
Examines relationship between human behavior and legal system, looking closely at the voluntary relationship between the citizen and the state, the use of law to balance economic liberty and equality, support for civil liberties, and procedural, distributive, and retributive justice.

Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 1101.

Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences Departmental Category: American

PSCI 3274 (3) Capitalism and its Critics
Examines competing theoretical approaches to questions related to origins, development, and purposes of modern government in the United States; particular attention paid to impact of transformations in the underlying structure of the capitalist economy. Formerly PSCI 3171.

Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 1101 or PSCI 2004.


PSCI 3281 (3) Development of American Political Institutions
Learn about the evolution of major American political institutions including the presidency, Congress, the judiciary, the party system and the right to vote.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences Departmental Category: American

PSCI 3294 (3) Theories of Identity
What is identity? How does it shape politics, and vice-versa? What are identity politics, and how do they shape the current political landscape? This course uses political theory, law, and case studies to give a three-part introduction to related core concepts: modern and contemporary theories of identity; the legal construction of identity in the United States; and the relationship between identity, policy, and activism in U.S. history and contemporary politics.

PSCI 3301 (3) Gender, Sexuality and U.S. Law
Contemporary and historic overview of U.S. courts’ treatment of sex and gender. Using the case method, examines policy issues including, but not limited to: same sex marriage and civil unions; privacy; affirmative action; abortion; reproductive technologies; and discrimination based on sex and sexual orientation in education and in the workplace.
Equivalent - Duplicate Degree Credit Not Granted: WGST 3300
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 1101 or WGST 2000.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Core Curr: Human Diversity
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Diversity-U.S. Perspective
Departmental Category: American

PSCI 3311 (3) Gender and U.S. Politics: Protest, Polls and Policy
Provides an overview and critical examination of women as political actors within the United States. Students will examine the gendered components of citizenship, election, political office and public policy. Furthermore, students will explore the ways in which gender intersects with class, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation and other identities in U.S. politics.
Equivalent - Duplicate Degree Credit Not Granted: WGST 3311
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: American

PSCI 3774 (3) Free Speech and Dangerous Ideas
Examines in depth various philosophical and legal justifications of First Amendment rights of speech, press, association and religion. Assesses these justifications in relation to broader normative theories of liberal democracy. Can also be taken for American field credit. Formerly PSCI 4774.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisites PSCI 2004 and PSCI 2481.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Political Theory

PSCI 4002 (3) Western European Politics
Comprehensively analyzes the development of the political systems and processes of European democracies. Emphasizes contemporary institutions, decision making patterns, and policy issues. Special attention to challenges of welfare systems.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2012.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Core Curr: Contemporary Societies
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 4012 (3) Global Development
Analyzes development theory, case studies in development strategies, and the problems and promises of development: specifically issues of gender, environment, labor, corruption and poverty. The primary focus is on explanations for variation in level of development over time and across countries.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2012.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Core Curr: Contemporary Societies
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Diversity-Global Perspective
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 4015 (3) Social Media & Politics Research Methods
Introduces students to state-of-the-art methods for using data from Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, Youtube, and TikTok in quantitative political science research. In this hands-on course, students will conduct original research projects using social media data, while learning text analysis and machine learning techniques that can be applied to diverse types of data.
Requisites: Requires prerequisite course of PSCI 2075 (minimum grade B).
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences

PSCI 4016 (3) Inequality and Public Policy in the U.S. and Europe
Provides an in-depth understanding of factors that change the level of inequality in the U.S. and in Europe and its economic, political, and social consequences across these states over time.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 1101 or PSCI 2102 or PSCI 2106.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Comparative
Departmental Category: Asian Studies

PSCI 4022 (3) Chinese Foreign Policy
History of China’s external relations and theories of foreign policy decision making. Explores two vital bilateral relations (Sino-U.S. and Sino-Japanese) and several key issues (like Taiwan) in China’s 21st century foreign policy.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2012.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Comparative
Departmental Category: Asia Content

PSCI 4024 (3) Senior Seminar in Political Theory
Intensively analyzes and discusses major theories and issues of both contemporary political thought and the history of political philosophy. The topic is announced by the instructor, but might include analysis of concepts (justice, human rights, democracy, etc.) or major theories. Emphasizes advanced discussion plus individual research.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2004.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Political Theory

PSCI 4028 (3) Special Topics
Offers subjects not covered by existing courses. Offered when the department approves a special topic.
Repeatable: Repeatable for up to 12.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: General

PSCI 4052 (3) Chinese Politics
Explores the politics of 20th century China to speculate on China’s future in the 21st century. Begins with an extensive look at the political history of the People’s Republic, before turning to social, cultural, economic, and political issues today. Concludes with an examination of Chinese foreign policy, with a focus on Sino-American relations.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2012.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences
Departmental Category: Comparative
Departmental Category: Asia Content
**PSCI 4062 (3) East European Politics**
Studies developments in the former Soviet satellites and Yugoslavia, their governmental organizations, and their relation to the former Soviet Union and the West.

**Additional Information:** Arts Sci Core Curr: Contemporary Societies  
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences  
Departmental Category: Comparative

**PSCI 4106 (3) Issues and Challenges in American Green Energy Policy**
Explores growth of contemporary American green energy industry. Explores different types of green energy policies and how government institutions and regularly arrangements affect the development of green energy policy.

**Grading Basis:** Letter Grade  
**Additional Information:** Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences  
Departmental Category: Public Policy

**PSCI 4131 (3) Latinos and the U.S. Political System**
Examines the political status and activities of Mexican Americans and other Latino groups (Cuban Americans and Puerto Ricans) in the U.S. Also covers Latino political attitudes and behaviors; Latino efforts to influence the major national, state, and local institutions of the American government; and public policy concerns of Latinos.

**Requisites:** Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.  
**Recommended:** Prerequisite PSCI 1101.

**Additional Information:** Arts Sci Core Curr: Human Diversity  
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences  
Arts Sci Gen Ed: Diversity-U.S. Perspective  
Departmental Category: American

**PSCI 4173 (3) International Organizations**
Explores if and how countries cooperate under anarchy. Investigates cooperation over a number of international issues, including peace and security, trade and development, human rights, and justice for victims of war crimes. Gives special attention to organizations including the United Nations, European Union, International Monetary Fund, and World Trade Organization.

**Requisites:** Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.  
**Recommended:** Prerequisite PSCI 1101.

**Additional Information:** Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences  
Departmental Category: International Relations

**PSCI 4173 (3) Europe and the International System**
Covers the past, present and future of Europe's global role.

**Recommended:** Prerequisite PSCI 2223.

**Additional Information:** Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences  
Departmental Category: International Relations

**PSCI 4213 (3) Political Psychology**
Examines the psychological foundations of political decision-making among citizens and elites. Considers the role of political psychology in explaining political behavior and outcomes at the individual and collective level.

**Recommended:** Prerequisite PSCI 1101.

**Additional Information:** Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences  
Departmental Category: American

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Covers the past, present and future of Europe's global role.

**Recommended:** Prerequisite PSCI 2223.

**Additional Information:** Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences  
Departmental Category: International Relations

**PSCI 4221 (3) Political Psychology**
Examines the psychological foundations of political decision-making among citizens and elites. Considers the role of political psychology in explaining political behavior and outcomes at the individual and collective level.

**Recommended:** Prerequisite PSCI 1101.

**Additional Information:** Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences  
Departmental Category: American

**PSCI 4241 (3) Constitutional Law**
Focuses on the nature and scope of American constitutional principles as developed by the U.S. Supreme Court, including federalism, separation of powers, commerce, due process and equal protection.

**Requisites:** Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.  
**Recommended:** Prerequisite PSCI 1101.

**Additional Information:** Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences  
Departmental Category: American

**PSCI 4242 (3) Middle Eastern Politics**
Explores the domestic politics of various Middle Eastern countries as well as the development and globalization of the region. Includes topics such as the ongoing prevalence of dictatorships, political Islamism, oil politics, economic growth and stagnation, and relations with the U.S.

**Recommended:** Prerequisite PSCI 2012.

**Additional Information:** Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences  
Departmental Category: Comparative  
Departmental Category: Asia Content

**PSCI 4243 (3) Modern Warfare: Terrorism, Ideology, Identity**
Explores the evolution of warfare and origins of terrorism. Ideological and identity differences have come to the forefront of violent political conflicts while the emerging doctrine of warfare has placed civilians in the middle of modern conflicts. Tracks potential changes in the means of and reasons for fighting, roles of civilians and media, and rules of war.

**Requisites:** Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.  
**Recommended:** Prerequisites PSCI 2223 and PSCI 3193.

**Additional Information:** Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences  
Departmental Category: International Relations

**PSCI 4251 (3) Politics of Ethnicity and Nationalism**
Analyses ethnic identity as a factor in contemporary politics. Deals extensively with the role of ethnic groups in political mobilization, the development of national collective consciousness, nation building, and international relations. Explores the influence of religion, language, history, culture and class on ethnic group formation and behavior.

**Requisites:** Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.  
**Recommended:** Prerequisite PSCI 2012.

**Additional Information:** Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences  
Departmental Category: Comparative

**PSCI 4253 (3) Politics of Identity and Inter-Ethnic Violence**
Discusses politics of identity and why identity is such a potent source of violence. Is inter-ethnic conflict an end in itself, or are ethnic groups trying to achieve other goals through violence? What can be done to prevent or ameliorate inter-ethnic strife? Examines theoretical aspects of identity, inter-ethnic conflict, as well as specific examples of ethnic crises.

**Recommended:** Prerequisite PSCI 2223 or PSCI 2012.

**Grading Basis:** Letter Grade

**Additional Information:** Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences  
Departmental Category: International Relations
PSCI 4283 (3) International Migration and Policy
Explores the politics of international migration, including public attitudes toward immigration, special interests politics of immigration policy making and the dynamics between political institutions and international migrations. Students will learn about the politics of international migration across different receiving and sending states over the past two centuries with an emphasis on the current debates over immigration in the U.S. and Western Europe.
**Requisites:** Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
**Additional Information:** Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 4302 (3) European Union Politics
Explores the development, functioning, focus and future of the European Union. Examines history, institutions, policies and politics as well as governance theories that have been developed to explain origins and evolution of the EU.
**Recommended:** Prerequisite PSCI 1101.
**Additional Information:** Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences Departmental Category: International Relations

PSCI 4322 (3) Indigenous People’s Politics
Explore critical concepts, conversations, and issues surrounding Indigenous peoples’ politics and politics around the globe. Analyze the ways in which Indigenous peoples have been impacted by colonization and look at how Indigenous peoples continue to respond to forces such as colonialism and capitalism in different geographical regions with a focus on the Americas. We will also draw on the experiences of indigenous peoples in Australia and New Zealand.
**Recommended:** Prerequisite PSCI 2012.
**Additional Information:** Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences

PSCI 4341 (3) Media and Politics
Examines aspects of political communication as it applies to citizens, political decision makers, and specific public policies.
**Requisites:** Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors).
**Recommended:** Prerequisite PSCI 1101.
**Additional Information:** Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 4374 (3) Global Seminar: Revolutions in Paris
Study the French Revolution (1789-1799) and the Paris Commune (1871) through immersive role-playing games, while learning about the ideas, history, and impact of these events through visits to important sites in and around the city of Paris. Learn about conservatism, republicanism, proto-socialism, slavery abolition, and anti-colonialism in the French Revolution; and socialism, Marxism, anarchism, and feminism in the Paris Commune.

PSCI 4391 (3) Gender Politics and Global Activism
Addresses the problems and challenges women face around the world and the ways in which women have mobilized to address them. Explores political activism at the local, national, regional and global levels. Focuses on different forms of activism, including strategies aimed at working with and within governmental institutions, as well as outside and against them.
**Equivalent - Duplicate Degree Credit Not Granted:** WGST 4500
**Requisites:** Restricted to students with 57-180 credits (Juniors or Seniors).
**Recommended:** Prerequisite WGST 2000 or WGST 2600.
**Additional Information:** Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences Departmental Category: American

PSCI 4701 (3) Symbolic Politics
Introduces uses and abuses of symbols as instruments and indicators of political change.
**Requisites:** Restricted to students with 57-180 credits (Juniors or Seniors).
**Recommended:** Prerequisite PSCI 1101.
**Additional Information:** Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences Departmental Category: American

PSCI 4703 (3) Technology, Society and the Future
Explores some of the remarkable technological advances made in recent years such as Artificial Intelligence, Robotics, Social Media, “Big Data,” Internet-Interconnectivity, etc. in order to better understand how they are reshaping the world around us. Looks at the implications of these technological advances for a variety of social and political issues including education, communication, medicine, international development, international relations, work, social life, politics, elections and democracy. Recommended Prerequisites: PSCI 2012 and/or IAFS 1000.
**Requisites:** Restricted to students with 57-180 credits (Juniors or Seniors).
**Additional Information:** Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences Departmental Category: International Relations

PSCI 4714 (3) Liberalism and Its Critics
Examines contemporary arguments for and against liberalism. Focuses on the analysis, evaluation, and understanding of the philosophical contributions to this debate. Gives special attention to the concepts of justice, freedom, equality, and individualism.
**Requisites:** Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
**Recommended:** Prerequisite PSCI 2012.
**Additional Information:** Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences Departmental Category: International Relations

PSCI 4715 (3) Honors Political Science Seminar
Involves writing and discussion of selected topics in political science. Critically reviews the major methodological and conceptual features of the discipline. Students begin their honors papers in the seminar.
**Department enforced prerequisite:** minimum 3.3 GPA. Generally offered in fall term only.
**Additional Information:** Arts Sciences Honors Course Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences Departmental Category: Empirical Theory and Research Methodology

PSCI 4716 (3) Selected Policy Problems
Integrates general principles of policy inquiry with documents and other literature on specific problems in public policy, in order to evaluate courses of action.
**Repeatable:** Repeatable for up to 6.00 total credit hours.
**Requisites:** Restricted to students with 57-180 credits (Juniors or Seniors).
**Additional Information:** Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences Departmental Category: Public Policy

PSCI 4725 (3) Political Science Honors Thesis
Involves writing an honors thesis. Formerly PSCI 4008.
**Requisites:** Requires prerequisite course of PSCI 4715 (minimum grade B-).
**Additional Information:** Arts Sciences Honors Course Departmental Category: Empirical Theory and Research Methodology
PSCI 4731 (3) Civic Engagement in America
Closely examines the various understandings of democracy, the arguments for and against democracy, and the progress of and prospects for democratic politics in the United States. Particular attention is paid to economic, social, and political developments in the United States that affect popular sovereignty, political equality, and liberty.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 1101.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences Departmental Category: American

PSCI 4732 (3) Critical Thinking in Development
Exposes students to current issues in the political economy of development. Subjects range from globalization, democratization and economic development. Specifically explores the international and domestic determinants of economic development with special reference to currency markets, foreign direct investment, trade and democratization.
Equivalent - Duplicate Degree Credit Not Granted: INVS 4302
Requisites: Restricted to students with 57-180 credits (Juniors or Seniors).
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2012.

PSCI 4734 (3) Politics and Literature
Broadly examines political topics as they are presented in important literary works and analyzes the possibilities involved in using the literary mode to present political teachings.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 27-180 credits (Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors) only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2004.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences Departmental Category: Political Theory

PSCI 4751 (3) The Politics of Ideas
Examines theoretical arguments and case studies of interactions of ideas, interests, and institutions in policymaking. Analyzes processes through which ideas come to the public agenda, how institutional settings shape those ideas, and why some ideas and interests are more successful.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 57-180 credits (Juniors or Seniors).
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 1101.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences Departmental Category: American

PSCI 4771 (3) Civil Rights and Liberties in America
Implementation of rights and liberties in America. Examines fundamental issues of free speech, press, association, and religion along with rights to due process and equal protection under the law.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 57-180 credits (Juniors or Seniors).
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences Departmental Category: American

PSCI 4783 (3) Global Issues
Studies the principal issues confronting humanity that affect stability and survivability and their economic, social, and political implications.
Requisites: Restricted to Political Science (PSCI), International Affairs (IAFS) or Environmental Studies (ENVS) majors only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2012 or PSCI 2223.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences Departmental Category: International Relations

PSCI 4792 (3) Issues in Latin American Politics
Studies several Latin American countries in some depth including history and contemporary politics. Teaches students to listen to and evaluate different sides of political controversies, and critically evaluate arguments.
Requisites: Restricted to students with 57-180 credits (Juniors or Seniors).
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2012.
Additional Information: Arts Sci Gen Ed: Distribution-Social Sciences Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 4841 (1-3) Independent Study in American Politics
Subjects are chosen and arrangements are made to suit the needs of each student. Independent study is for upper-division students who have completed 9 credit hours of political science and who have an overall GPA of at least 3.00. Not more than 6 credit hours of independent study may be credited toward the minimum requirements in the political science major. A special independent study approval agreement form must be obtained from the department.
Repeatable: Repeatable for up to 7.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 1101.
Additional Information: Departmental Category: American

PSCI 4842 (1-3) Independent Study in Comparative Politics
Subjects chosen and arrangements made to suit needs of each student. Independent study is for upper-division students who have completed 9 credit hours of political science and who have an overall GPA of at least 3.00. Not more than 6 credit hours of independent study may be credited toward the minimum requirements in the political science major. Special independent study approval agreement form must be obtained from the department.
Repeatable: Repeatable for up to 7.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2012 or IAFS 1000.
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 4843 (1-3) Independent Study in International Relations
Subjects chosen and arrangements made to suit needs of each student. Independent study is for upper-division students who have completed 9 credit hours of political science and who have an overall average of at least 3.00. Not more than 6 credit hours of independent study may be credited toward the minimum requirements in the political science major. Special independent study approval agreement form must be obtained from the department.
Repeatable: Repeatable for up to 7.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2223.
Additional Information: Departmental Category: International Relations
PSCI 4844 (1-3) Independent Study in Political Theory

Subjects and arrangements suit individual student needs. Independent study is for upper-division students who have completed 9 credit hours of political science and who have an overall GPA of at least 3.00. Not more than 6 credit hours of independent study may be credited toward the minimum requirements in the political science major. Special independent study approval agreement form must be obtained from the department.

Repeatable: Repeable for up to 7.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.

Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 2004.

Additional Information: Departmental Category: Political Theory

PSCI 4846 (1-3) Independent Study in Public Policy

Subjects chosen and arrangements made to suit needs of each student. Independent study is for upper-division students who have completed 9 credit hours of political science and who have an overall average GPA of at least 3.00. Not more than 6 credit hours of independent study may be credited toward the minimum requirements in the political science major. Special independent study approval agreement form must be obtained from the department.

Repeatable: Repeable for up to 6.00 total credit hours.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Additional Information: Departmental Category: Public Policy

PSCI 4848 (1-3) Independent Study

Subjects chosen and arrangements made to suit needs of each student. Independent study is for upper-division students who have completed 9 credit hours of political science and who have an overall average of at least 3.00. Not more than 6 credit hours of independent study may be credited toward the minimum requirements in the political science major. Special independent study approval agreement form must be obtained from the department.

Repeatable: Repeable for up to 7.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.

Additional Information: Departmental Category: General

PSCI 4938 (3-6) Internship in Government

With instructor’s assistance, students secure an internship with a political or governmental organization. In addition to the internship, the class consists of regular seminars, course readings and assignments, and individual conferences with the instructor. Student pursues an academic research project and writes an original research paper. Instructor approval required in semester preceding internship. Contact instructor prior to early registration.

Repeatable: Repeable for up to 6.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.

Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 1101.

Additional Information: Departmental Category: General

PSCI 6851 (2) Interdisciplinary Social Science Professional Socialization

Trains graduate students and provides professional socialization in interdisciplinary social science research. Open to all interested students, with programming provided by the Institute of Behavioral Science. Sessions include IBS-housed colloquia and workshops in professional socialization, technological tools, interdisciplinary research, ethics, grant writing, etc. Students workshop and submit a research paper.

Equivalent - Duplicate Degree Credit Not Granted: PSYC 6831 and SOCY 6851

Repeatable: Repeable for up to 4.00 total credit hours.

Required: Restricted to graduate students only.

PSCI 6948 (1) Master’s Candidate for Degree

Registration intended for students preparing for a thesis defense, final examination, culminating activity, or completion of degree.

Repeatable for up to 4.00 total credit hours.

Additional Information: Restricted to graduate students only.

PSCI 7002 (3) Seminar in West European Politics

Examines West European politics in terms of general theories of comparative politics, including institutional, behavioral and political economy approaches.

Repeatable: Repeable for up to 12.00 total credit hours.

Required: Restricted to graduate students only.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Additional Information: Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 7004 (3) Seminar: Political Theory

Allows for intensive research in and presentation of selected topics. Introduces students to the broad context within which political ideas arise. Deals with classical and modern thought.

Repeatable: Repeable for up to 12.00 total credit hours.

Required: Restricted to graduate students only.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Additional Information: Departmental Category: Political Theory

PSCI 7008 (1) Teaching Political Science

Designed to prepare graduate student teachers in the essentials of political science teaching and provide a background in theories of political science teaching and practical skills development in discipline-specific education.

Repeatable: Repeable for up to 12.00 total credit hours.

Required: Restricted to Political Science (PSCI) graduate students only.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Additional Information: Departmental Category: General

PSCI 7011 (3) Seminar: American Politics

Core field seminar for students of American politics. Course work emphasizes the diversity of contemporary research on American political history, political institutions, and political behavior.

Repeatable: Repeable for up to 12.00 total credit hours.

Required: Restricted to graduate students only.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Additional Information: Departmental Category: American

PSCI 7012 (3) Seminar: Comparative Political Systems

Discusses current literature on comparative politics including theoretical and methodological issues.

Repeatable: Repeable for up to 6.00 total credit hours.

Required: Restricted to graduate students only.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Additional Information: Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 7013 (3) Seminar: International Relations

Reviews salient literature on international relations, and subsequent presentation and critical discussion of analytical studies. Allows students wide latitude in substantive and methodological approaches. Emphasizes changing trends and efforts to understand the bases for cooperation and conflict.

Repeatable: Repeable for up to 6.00 total credit hours.

Required: Restricted to graduate students only.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Additional Information: Departmental Category: International Relations
PSCI 7021 (3) Latinos and U.S. Politics
Examines in depth the theoretical and empirical literature assessing the political situation and activities of Latinos (Mexican Americans, Puerto Ricans, Cuban Americans, and others) in the U.S. Stresses original research.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: American

PSCI 7022 (3) Seminar in Political and Economic Development
Covers domestic political and economic development in Latin America, Africa, and Asia, as well as interactions with the global economy. Includes defining, explaining, and prescribing policies for successful development, and comparing the experiences of developing and industrialized countries.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: American

PSCI 7024 (3) Seminar: Selected Political Theories
Familiarizes students with selected political philosophies or theories in classical or modern political thought.
Repeatable: Repeateable for up to 12.00 total credit hours.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Political Theory

PSCI 7028 (1) Teaching Political Science 2
Second course designed to train graduate teachers in the essentials of political science teaching and provide a background in theories of political science teaching and practical skills development in discipline specific education.
Requisites: Requires prerequisite course of PSCI 7008 (minimum grade D-). Restricted to Political Science (PSCI) graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: General

PSCI 7031 (3) Seminar: Political Attitudes and Behavior
Provides an intensive examination of topics in political attitudes and behavior such as political participation, ideology, voting, and elite behavior. Reviews methodology of behavioral research and introduces ICPSR data archive and computer-based research.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: American

PSCI 7032 (3) Seminar: Latin American Politics
Stresses intensive study of the political process in Latin America with special emphasis on democratization.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 7043 (3) Seminar: Problems of International Institutions
Investigates the choices that political actors make in forming international institutions, the power of institutions, the limits of institutional power, and the dysfunction of institutions. Explores the challenges that institutions face in addressing global problems such as human rights and international violence. Also analyzes the methods used to understand the influence of institutions.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: International Relations

PSCI 7046 (3) Seminar: Urban Public Policy
Focuses on formulation, revision, and outcomes of public policy in American urban communities. Also uses some comparative Canadian and European literature.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Public Policy

PSCI 7051 (3) Seminar: The United States Congress
Comprehensively examines literature and selected research topics concerning the United States Congress.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: American

PSCI 7052 (3) Democracy & Authoritarianism
Examine differences between democracies and authoritarian regimes; the choices and the consequences of democratic institutions in authoritarian regimes; and the causes of authoritarian survival and demise and the subsequent political choice.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 7012.
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 7053 (3) War and Peace
Explores the conditions that promote conflict between countries, focusing on broad and systemic explanations of war and peace. Investigates classical as well as current behavioral approaches to understanding why countries fight.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: International Relations

PSCI 7055 (3) Introductory Game Theory
Develops competence in engaging formal theories of politics and in constructing and solving basic game-theoretic models of political behavior.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Empirical Theory and Research Methodology

PSCI 7056 (3) Readings in Public Policy
Explores diverse approaches to policy choice, change, and learning processes. Overviews literature on policy determinants and typologies, policy subsystems, innovation and diffusion, agenda setting, implementation, problem definition and social construction, policy design, institutional analysis, and policy and democratic values.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Public Policy

PSCI 7062 (3) The Politics of Ethnicity
Explores the political aspects of pluralism, ethnonationalism, separatism, and related phenomena. Examines theories of ethnic mobilization, conflict, and accommodation in the context of political development and nation building. Includes cross-polyit comparisons and case studies of multiethnic societies in the developed and developing world.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Recommended: Requisite at least one course in comparative politics.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Comparative
PSCI 7071 (3) Seminar: An Introduction to the Rule of Law
Introduces students to debates about the role of institutions, particularly but not exclusively legal institutions, in placing limits on the state and fostering the rule of law. What is law? Why do courts exist and what is their role in the state? What institutions are necessary to establish the rule of law? Why are institutions successful in some contexts and not others? Considers these questions by surveying classic and current research from American and comparative politics literatures on topics such as judicial independence, credible commitments, separation of powers and constitutional design.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: American

PSCI 7073 (3) Seminar: Global Political Economy
Introduces graduate students to concepts, theories, and data used to study the global system from a political-economic framework. Examines world systems analysis, regime change theory, and dependency theory with respect to operation of the exchange and power relationship within the contemporary world system.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: International Relations

PSCI 7075 (3) Scope and Methods of Political Science
Introduces students to research design, with a subsequent focus on professional development. Students learn about different styles of research, central methodological points surrounding (and differentiating) these styles, and standards for evaluating research, regardless of approach or content.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Empirical Theory and Research Methodology

PSCI 7085 (4) Introduction to Political Science Data Analysis
Provides intensive experience with quantitative techniques commonly employed in political science research, covering basic inferential and descriptive statistics through multiple regression. Students undertake substantive research projects, requiring lab instruction in the use of the computer in quantitative applications of political science research.
Requisites: Restricted to Political Science (PSCI) graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Empirical Theory and Research Methodology

PSCI 7091 (3) Politics of Social Movements
Examines theoretical and empirical research on American social movements. Emphasizes the role of movements as political actors and their ability to bring about changes in public policy and national political institutions.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: American

PSCI 7095 (3) Advanced Political Data Analysis
Provides advanced training in the statistical modeling of political relationships. Focuses on the properties and assumptions of the ordinary least squares regression model, building on material covered in PSCI 7085: Introduction to Political Science Data Analysis.
Requisites: Requires prerequisite course of PSCI 7085 (minimum grade B-). Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Empirical Theory and Research Methodology

PSCI 7108 (3) Special Topics
Various topics not normally offered in the curriculum. Topics vary each semester.
Repeatable: Repeatable for up to 12.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: General

PSCI 7111 (3) Seminar: American Political Institutions
Intensive examination of the structure and rules of different political institutions in the United States. Explores both the changing approaches to the study of American political institutions as well as many of the major research topics on the presidency, Congress, the judiciary, and the bureaucracy.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: American

PSCI 7114 (3) Survey of Historical and Contemporary Political Theory
Examines major texts of Western political thought from the ancients through the 21st century. Introduces students to major schools of contemporary political theory, while situating these in their larger political context. Professionalizes students through presentations and research projects. Texts vary each semester.
Repeatable: Repeatable for up to 6.00 total credit hours.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Recommended: Requisite some previous coursework in political theory or philosophy.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Political Theory

PSCI 7115 (3) Qualitative Methods
Develop proficiency in constructing research designs with qualitative methods. The goal is to understand and be able to justify research designs involving relatively small numbers of observations as good political science given the fact that such designs may limit our ability to generalize.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Empirical Theory and Research Methodology

PSCI 7116 (3) Context-Sensitive Research Methods
Prepares students to conduct research on topics where data is not obvious or not easily available. Encompasses variations in context and setting as part of data observations. Methods include interviewing protocols, interpretive methods, cluster analyses, case study methodologies and textual analyses.
Equivalent - Duplicate Degree Credit Not Granted: ENVS 5740
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Public Policy

PSCI 7118 (3) Foundations of Environmental Justice
Examines environmental justice movements, policies, institutions, objectives, and scholarship. Identifies factors that contribute to environmental inequality, and efforts to reduce it. Formerly offered as a special topics course.
Equivalent - Duplicate Degree Credit Not Granted: COMM 7118, ENVS 7118 and GEOG 7118
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
PSCI 7123 (3) Civil Conflict
Surveys historical, theoretical, and empirical analyses of violent conflict behavior, including the causes and consequences of civil war, protests, insurgency, terrorism, revolution, and intervention.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: International Relations

PSCI 7124 (3) Contemporary Democratic Theory
Surveys major schools of contemporary democratic theory and introduces students to current scholarly debates about democracy and democratic politics. Professionalizes students through class presentations and research projects. Specific controversies and texts vary each semester.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Recommended: Requisite some previous coursework in political theory or philosophy.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Political Theory

PSCI 7126 (3) Introduction to Public Policy
Designed for graduate students specializing in the field of public policy in the political science program. Surveys a wide variety of approaches to the analysis and understanding of public policy. The course is not a survey of any particular set of substantive policy areas but instead is intended as an examination of the enduring puzzles that analysts of public policy commonly confront, the kinds of research methodologies that they employ, and a selection of the techniques that they bring to bear on their research questions.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Public Policy

PSCI 7131 (3) Political Psychology
Focuses on the psychological roots of political behavior, including the origins of political beliefs, political decision-making processes, and the psychology of group interactions.
Requisites: Restricted to Political Science (PSCI) graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: American

PSCI 7132 (3) Comparative Political Economy
Explores the relationship between economics and politics in developed and developing countries. Gives students an historical overview of 20th century economic trends and covers scholarly approaches to topics such as political and economic institutions, economic ideas and interests, the political causes of growth and equality, globalization and the welfare state, and varieties of capitalism.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 7012.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 7136 (3) Public Policy and Behavioral Science
Public policy is usually designed with the assumption that we make optimal choices based on our own best interests. Findings from the behavioral sciences, however, challenge this traditional view and reveal that a wide array of factors influence our decisions. In this course, we will explore the gaps between how we assume individuals to behave and how people actually behave. With better knowledge of what motivates human behavior, we will examine and discuss how policy might be better designed and executed to improve outcomes in society.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.

PSCI 7143 (3) Strategic Choice of Political Conflict
Explores the conditions under which political actors go to war, and the conditions under which they broker peace. Approaches political conflict from the perspective of strategic choice. Conflict is not an accident, but is the deliberate result of decisions by actors. Actors choose conflict when bargaining obstacles prevent them from reaching a peaceful agreement.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade

PSCI 7145 (3) Advanced Game Theory
Covers more advanced applications of game theory in political science. Equips students with the skills to design and solve models at a reasonably high level of complexity and generality, and to understand how to effectively make use of such models in their research.
Requisites: Requires prerequisite course of PSCI 7055 (minimum grade B-). Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Empirical Theory and Research Methodology

PSCI 7151 (3) American Subnational Politics and Government
Provides a comprehensive overview of the issues and literature concerning American "Subnational" politics. Considers three bodies of literature: American federalism and intergovernmental relations, state politics, and urban/local politics. Also examines a number of policy issues.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: American

PSCI 7155 (3) Maximum Likelihood Estimation and Generalized Linear Models
Introduces maximum likelihood estimation and extends the linear model to several "generalized linear models." Provides students with the skills to analyze and understand a broad class of outcome variables and data structures such as dichotomous outcomes, counts, ordered and unordered categorical outcomes and bounded variables. Also examines several special topics such as multilevel models, causal inference and missing data.
Requisites: Requires prerequisite courses of PSCI 7075 and PSCI 7085 and PSCI 7095 (all minimum grade B-). Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Empirical Theory and Research Methodology

PSCI 7165 (3) Experimental Methods
Focuses on the design, implementation, and analysis of experiments in political science, including lab experiments, survey experiments, and field experiments.
Requisites: Restricted to Political Science (PSCI) graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Empirical Theory and Research Methodology
PSCI 7171 (3) Seminar: Law and Democratic Governance
Explores cutting-edge debates in election law. Studies different perspectives on the current controversies in the field, in addition to select opportunities to engage scholars directly about their work. Develops students’ understanding of the law of democracy, exposing students to some of the best scholarship, and improving students’ ability to evaluate and critique legal scholarship.
Equivalent - Duplicate Degree Credit Not Granted: LAWS 8205
Recommended: Prerequisite PSCI 7011.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: American

PSCI 7172 (3) Comparative Political Institutions
Institutional theory has burgeoned across the social sciences in the last three decades. This course aims to raise awareness and understanding of institutional theory in comparative politics, as compared to alternative approaches such as political economy, political behavior, etc., and to help students develop skills to communicate this awareness and understanding to other professional political scientists.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 7173 (3) The Politics of International Factor Flows
Focuses on the second dimension of international trade: the politics of international factor flows. Economic globalization can be defined as the freer flow of (1) goods and services (i.e., international trade) and (2) factors of production (e.g., capital and labor) across national borders. Links these topics in International Political Economy to broader theories of International Relations, namely Institutionalism and Liberalism.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 7175 (3) Dissertation Seminar
Help students make progress towards (1) in the short term: focusing in on a dissertation topic, crafting a dissertation prospectus, and identifying potential funding sources; and (2) in the long term: sending papers out for review, developing a package for the job market, and understanding the academic job market and the tenure process.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: International Relations

PSCI 7176 (3) Comparative Political Behavior
Addresses a basic empirical puzzle in comparative environmental policy: why are some governmental organizations able to create relatively functional governance arrangements for natural resources management, while many others fail to do so? More specifically, we will seek to understand the particular contextual conditions that make successful governance transformations more likely.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Empirical Theory and Research Methodology

PSCI 7183 (3) International Cooperation
Investigates the origins, forms and consequences of international cooperation. The course covers both theoretical material related to international cooperation and various related global issue areas; security, economy, environment and social welfare. For each issue area, the key theoretical debates, empirical findings, as well as central challenges and parameters that constrain international cooperation will be investigated.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: International Relations

PSCI 7185 (3) Political Network Analysis
Explores all aspects of political network analysis including disciplinary background, theories and concepts, approaches and applications, data basics and measurement, and techniques of analysis. Data assignments use software such as UCINET and R. Introduces visualization software including NetDraw, NetworkX and Cytoscape.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Empirical Theory and Research Methodology

PSCI 7191 (3) Law and Politics Colloquium: Race in America
A co-taught colloquium that exposes students to highly prominent scholars conducting research on current topics at the intersection of race, social science and the law, including racial profiling, hate crime and affirmative action. Students will complete a final paper satisfying the CU Law seminar requirement.
Equivalent - Duplicate Degree Credit Not Granted: LAWS 8645
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: American

PSCI 7203 (3) Political Economy of International Migration and Policy
Provides an overview of the seminal and cutting edge research on the political economy of international migration including both immigration and emigration. Covers a diverse set of international migration issues, including public attitudes toward immigration, special interest politics of immigration policy making and the dynamics between political institutions and international migration.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: American

PSCI 7206 (3) Public Policy and the Governance of Natural Resources
Addresses basic empirical puzzle in comparative environmental policy: why are some governmental organizations able to create relatively functional governance arrangements for natural resources management, while many others fail to do so? More specifically, we will seek to understand the particular contextual conditions that make successful governance transformations more likely.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Public Policy

PSCI 7222 (3) Comparative Political Behavior
Provides an introduction to research on behavioral processes and outcomes using readings mainly from the sub-fields of American Politics and Comparative Politics. Geographic emphasis leans toward advanced democracies because this is how behavioral research has generally developed but will also explore works by developing country experts. The main goals are to help students become familiar with the existing literature and to help them explore several key debates in the field.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Comparative
PSCI 7255 (3) Time Series and Pooled Time Series
Time series models, models which take advantage of variation over time in a single unit, and pooled time series (sometimes called cross-sectional time series or time series cross-sectional) models, which utilize variation across both time and spatial units, are very common in political science. While these models offer substantial leverage over important social science problems that use purely cross-sectional data, there are a number of pitfalls that are necessary to avoid during estimation.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Recommended: Prerequisite students should have a background in advanced regression statistics (such as PSCI 7085, PSCI 7095 and PSCI 7155).
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Empirical Theory and Research Methodology

PSCI 7306 (3) Program Evaluation
Focuses on applying the tools of causal inference and program evaluation to various policy issues. The course materials explore whether programs meet their desired goals. There are a number of ways in which the effectiveness of a program can be defined and measured. Empirical applications based on real-world data will be drawn from a wide range of policy areas, including education, welfare, unemployment, discrimination, health, immigration, the environment, and economic development. Previously offered as a special topics course.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade

PSCI 7901 (1-3) Independent Study
Not a free option; must be approved by the student’s advisor and program chair. Does not count as seminar. Not more than 6 hours of independent study may be credited toward PhD degree in political science. Special independent study approval agreement form must be completed by student and signed by faculty advisor.
Repeatability: Repeatable for up to 6.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Political Theory

PSCI 7902 (1-3) Independent Study
Not a free option; must be approved by the student’s advisor and program chair. Does not count as seminar. Not more than 6 hours of independent study may be credited toward PhD degree in political science. Special independent study approval agreement form must be completed by student and signed by faculty advisor.
Repeatability: Repeatable for up to 6.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: American

PSCI 7903 (1-3) Independent Study
Not a free option; must be approved by the student’s advisor and program chair. Does not count as seminar. Not more than 6 hours of independent study may be credited toward PhD degree in political science. Special independent study approval agreement form must be completed by student and signed by faculty advisor.
Repeatability: Repeatable for up to 6.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 7904 (1-3) Independent Study
Not a free option; must be approved by the student’s advisor and program chair. Does not count as seminar. Not more than 6 hours of independent study may be credited toward PhD degree in political science. Special independent study approval agreement form must be completed by student and signed by faculty advisor.
Repeatability: Repeatable for up to 6.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Empirical Theory and Research Methodology

PSCI 7905 (1-3) Independent Study
Not a free option; must be approved by the student’s advisor and program chair. Does not count as seminar. Not more than 6 hours of independent study may be credited toward PhD degree in political science. Special independent study approval agreement form must be completed by student and signed by faculty advisor.
Repeatability: Repeatable for up to 6.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Empirical Theory and Research Methodology

PSCI 7906 (1-3) Independent Study
Not a free option; must be approved by the student’s advisor and program chair. Does not count as seminar. Not more than 6 hours of independent study may be credited toward PhD degree in political science. Special independent study approval agreement form must be completed by student and signed by faculty advisor.
Repeatability: Repeatable for up to 6.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Public Policy

PSCI 7907 (1-3) Independent Study
Not a free option; must be approved by the student’s advisor and program chair. Does not count as seminar. Not more than 6 hours of independent study may be credited toward PhD degree in political science. Special independent study approval agreement form must be completed by student and signed by faculty advisor.
Repeatability: Repeatable for up to 6.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: General

PSCI 7908 (1-3) Independent Study
Not a free option; must be approved by the student’s advisor and program chair. Does not count as seminar. Not more than 6 hours of independent study may be credited toward PhD degree in political science. Special independent study approval agreement form must be completed by student and signed by faculty advisor.
Repeatability: Repeatable for up to 6.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: American

PSCI 7909 (1-3) Independent Study
Not a free option; must be approved by the student’s advisor and program chair. Does not count as seminar. Not more than 6 hours of independent study may be credited toward PhD degree in political science. Special independent study approval agreement form must be completed by student and signed by faculty advisor.
Repeatability: Repeatable for up to 6.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: International Relations

PSCI 7910 (1-3) Independent Study
Not a free option; must be approved by the student’s advisor and program chair. Does not count as seminar. Not more than 6 hours of independent study may be credited toward PhD degree in political science. Special independent study approval agreement form must be completed by student and signed by faculty advisor.
Repeatability: Repeatable for up to 6.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Political Theory

PSCI 7911 (1-3) Independent Study
Not a free option; must be approved by the student’s advisor and program chair. Does not count as seminar. Not more than 6 hours of independent study may be credited toward PhD degree in political science. Special independent study approval agreement form must be completed by student and signed by faculty advisor.
Repeatability: Repeatable for up to 6.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: International Relations

PSCI 8901 (1-3) Graduate Research Topic
Provides an opportunity for independent research in a topic of special interest. Arrangements are made to suit the needs of each particular student. Not a free option; must be approved by student’s advisor and department chair. Does not count as a seminar.
Repeatability: Repeatable for up to 6.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Requisites: Restricted to graduate students only.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: American
PSCI 8902 (1-3) Graduate Research Topic
Provides an opportunity for independent research in a topic of special interest. Arrangements are made to suit the needs of each particular student. Not a free option; must be approved by student's advisor and department chair. Does not count as a seminar.
Repeatable: Repeatable for up to 6.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 8903 (1-3) Graduate Research Topic
Provides an opportunity for independent research in a topic of special interest. Arrangements are made to suit the needs of each particular student. Not a free option; must be approved by student’s advisor and department chair. Does not count as a seminar.
Repeatable: Repeatable for up to 6.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: International Relations

PSCI 8904 (1-3) Graduate Research Topic
Provides an opportunity for independent research in a topic of special interest. Arrangements are made to suit the needs of each particular student. Not a free option; must be approved by student’s advisor and department chair. Does not count as a seminar.
Repeatable: Repeatable for up to 6.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Political Theory

PSCI 8905 (1-3) Graduate Research Topic
Provides an opportunity for independent research in a topic of special interest. Arrangements are made to suit the needs of each particular student. Not a free option; must be approved by student’s advisor and department chair. Does not count as a seminar.
Repeatable: Repeatable for up to 6.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Empirical Theory and Research Methodology

PSCI 8906 (1-3) Graduate Research Topic
Provides an opportunity for independent research in a topic of special interest. Arrangements are made to suit the needs of each particular student. Not a free option; must be approved by student’s advisor and department chair. Does not count as a seminar.
Repeatable: Repeatable for up to 6.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Public Policy

PSCI 8908 (1-3) Graduate Research Topic
Provides an opportunity for independent research in a topic of special interest. Arrangements are made to suit the needs of each particular student. Not a free option; must be approved by student’s advisor and department chair. Does not count as a seminar.
Repeatable: Repeatable for up to 6.00 total credit hours. Allows multiple enrollment in term.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Additional Information: Departmental Category: General

PSCI 8901 (1-10) Doctoral Dissertation
All doctoral students must register for not fewer than 30 hours of dissertation credit as part of the requirements for the degree. For a detailed discussion of doctoral dissertation credit, refer to the Graduate School section.
Repeatable: Repeatable for up to 99.00 total credit hours.
Additional Information: Departmental Category: American

PSCI 8992 (1-10) Doctoral Dissertation
All doctoral students must register for not fewer than 30 hours of dissertation credit as part of the requirements for the degree. For a detailed discussion of doctoral dissertation credit, refer to the Graduate School section.
Repeatable: Repeatable for up to 99.00 total credit hours.
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Comparative

PSCI 8993 (1-10) Doctoral Dissertation
All doctoral students must register for not fewer than 30 hours of dissertation credit as part of the requirements for the degree. For a detailed discussion of doctoral dissertation credit, refer to the Graduate School section.
Repeatable: Repeatable for up to 99.00 total credit hours.
Additional Information: Departmental Category: International Relations

PSCI 8994 (1-10) Doctoral Dissertation
All doctoral students must register for not fewer than 30 hours of dissertation credit as part of the requirements for the degree. For a detailed discussion of doctoral dissertation credit, refer to the Graduate School section.
Repeatable: Repeatable for up to 99.00 total credit hours.
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Political Theory

PSCI 8995 (1-10) Doctoral Dissertation
All doctoral students must register for not fewer than 30 hours of dissertation credit as part of the requirements for the degree. For a detailed discussion of doctoral dissertation credit, refer to the Graduate School section.
Repeatable: Repeatable for up to 99.00 total credit hours.
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Empirical Theory and Research Methodology

PSCI 8996 (1-10) Doctoral Dissertation
All doctoral students must register for not fewer than 30 hours of dissertation credit as part of the requirements for the degree. For a detailed discussion of doctoral dissertation credit, refer to the Graduate School section.
Repeatable: Repeatable for up to 99.00 total credit hours.
Additional Information: Departmental Category: Public Policy