Political Science

Graduates from the Department of Political Science have found employment in government, the legal profession, nonprofit organizations, and the private sector and have pursued graduate or professional education in political science and public administration. The Department of Political Science is committed to the goal of helping students become well-rounded, effective, and successful members of the global community. Political Science is a vast academic discipline that focuses on the processes and outcomes of collective public decision making. It endeavors to create a stimulating intellectual environment that challenges students to broaden their capacity for a reasoned analysis of political life.

The department offers three undergraduate majors: Political Science, Public Administration, and Health Services Administration. Students who wish to choose to major in a different academic discipline yet still develop a secondary expertise in government and politics can minor in Political Science. The Department of Political Science is also home to the Pre-Law Scholars Program.

Health Services Administration
Students must comply with these requirements to be considered for admission into the Health Services Administration major:

- Submit the Health Services Administration Application with all required documents.
- Complete 30 credit hours of course work, including the university core courses or equivalents.
- Earn a 2.3 or higher GPA in ACCT 2110, MATH 1680 or MATH 1610, and HADM 3000.
- Submit a statement of purpose of no more than 500 words.
- Potential students are encouraged to check with the program coordinator or department advisor for further information about entry requirements and application deadlines.

Majors

- Health Services Administration (http://bulletin.auburn.edu/undergraduate/collegeofliberalarts/departmentofpoliticalsciencepoli/healthservicesadministration_major)
- Law and Justice (http://bulletin.auburn.edu/undergraduate/collegeofliberalarts/departmentofpoliticalsciencepoli/lawandjustice_major)
- Political Science (http://bulletin.auburn.edu/undergraduate/collegeofliberalarts/departmentofpoliticalsciencepoli/politicalscience_major)
- Public Administration (http://bulletin.auburn.edu/undergraduate/collegeofliberalarts/departmentofpoliticalsciencepoli/publicadministration_major)

Minors

- Political Science (http://bulletin.auburn.edu/undergraduate/collegeofliberalarts/departmentofpoliticalsciencepoli/politicalscience_minor)
- Public Administration (http://bulletin.auburn.edu/undergraduate/collegeofliberalarts/departmentofpoliticalsciencepoli/publicadministration_minor)

Community Planning Courses

CPLN 5000 HISTORY AND THEORY OF URBAN FORM (3) LEC. 3. The vocabulary and historical development of urban design, focusing on the environmental and cultural forces that design, shape, build, and redevelop the urban fabric.

CPLN 5010 INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNITY PLANNING (3) LEC. 3. Examines the basic principles of community design and planning, and introduces areas of specialization with the professional of planning.

CPLN 5020 CITIES, PLANNING, AND CLIMATE CHANGE (3) SEM. 3. This course teaches about connections that climate has with urban processes; how cities are affected by climate change, impact of local land use and transportation decisions, and Climate Action Planning at local level including GHG inventory, adaptation and mitigation strategies.

CPLN 5040 LAND USE PLANNING (3) SEM. 3. Students will develop the critical and analytical skills, as well as analyze relevant literature, that will arm them with the necessary tools in order to implement, administer, and analyze a wide range of plans.

CPLN 5050 LAND AND URBAN ECONOMICS (3) LEC. 3. Examines the historical development and contemporary functioning of cities from an economic perspective, with focus on land use and transportation.
CPLN 5060 SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AND POLICY (3) SEM. 3. Program approval for non-majors and ABM students. This topical seminar addresses issues related to transportation and mobility within the context of sustainable, healthy cities. Specific course content may vary from semester to semester.

CPLN 5070 ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING (3) SEM. 3. Program approval for ABM students and non-majors. Addresses issues related to land use, environmental impact and policy, and sustainability. Specific course content may vary from semester to semester. May count either CPLN 5070 or CPLN 6070.

CPLN 5080 AFFORDABLE HOUSING PLANNING AND POLICY (3) SEM. 3. Program approval for ABM students and non-majors. This topical seminar addresses planning issues related to housing and neighborhood conservation. Specific course content may vary from semester to semester. May count either CPLN 5080/6080.

CPLN 5090 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (3) SEM. 3. Program approval for ABM students and non-majors. Planning issues related to community and economic development content may vary from semester to semester. May count either CPLN 5090 or CPLN 6090.

CPLN 5100 URBAN DESIGN METHODS (3) LEC. 3. Departmental approval. Techniques and methodologies in urban design problem-solving and strategies for implementation.

CPLN 5110 SUSTAINABLE URBANISM AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT (3) SEM. 3. This course covers growth management in the United States. It covers growth management programs, the causes of sprawl, the costs and benefits of sprawl and growth management, and solutions to managing growth.

CPLN 5120 ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY (3) SEM. 3. This course covers federal, state, and local environmental policy-making and governance. It discusses how planners, policy-makers, and government officials implement existing environmental policies, how environmental policies are created, theories of environmental policy, and new and emerging methods of environmental policy.

CPLN 5400 HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLANNING (3) LEC. 3. Planning for the preservation, restoration, conservation, adaptive reuse of historic buildings, sites and districts within the comprehensive planning process.

CPLN 5450 PLANNING HISTORY AND THEORY (3) LEC. 3. This course provides future practitioners with the theoretical and historical tools and knowledge to effective in the planning field. May count either CPLN 5450 or CPLN 6450.

CPLN 5460 GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS FOR PLANNING AND POLICY (3) LEC. 3. Program approval for non-majors and ABM students. Basic concepts of geographic information systems and digital planning applications. Emphasis on spatial decision-making and visualization of planning scenarios. May count with CPLN 5460 or CPLN 6460.

CPLN 5970 SPECIAL TOPICS: CURRENT ISSUES IN PLANNING (3) LEC. 3. Elective seminar addresses current issues in planning. May count either CPLN 5970 or CPLN 6970.

CPLN 6000 HISTORY AND THEORY OF URBAN FORM (3) LEC. 3. The vocabulary and historical development of urban design, focusing on the environmental and cultural forces that design, shape, build, and redevelop the urban fabric.

CPLN 6010 INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNITY PLANNING (3) LEC. 3. Examines the basic principles of community design and planning, and introduces areas of specialization with the professional of planning.

CPLN 6020 CITIES, PLANNING, AND CLIMATE CHANGE (3) SEM. 3. This course focuses on connections that climate has with urban processes, climate action planning at local level, compiling greenhouse gas inventory, climate adaptation and mitigation strategies, and building sustainable and resilient cities.

CPLN 6040 LAND USE PLANNING (3) SEM. 3. Students will develop the critical and analytical skills, as well as analyze relevant literature, that will arm them with the necessary tools in order to implement, administer, and analyze a wide range of plans.

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CPLN 6060 SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AND POLICY (3) SEM. 3. Program approval for non-majors and ABM students. Addresses issues related to transportation and mobility within the context of sustainable, healthy cities. Specific course content may vary from semester to semester. May count either CPLN 5060 or CPLN 6060.

CPLN 6070 ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING (3) SEM. 3. Program approval for ABM students and non-majors. Addresses issues related to land use, environmental impact and policy, and sustainability. Specific course content may vary from semester to semester. May count either CPLN 5070 or CPLN 6070.
CPLN 6080 AFFORDABLE HOUSING PLANNING AND POLICY (3) SEM. 3. Program approval for ABM students and non-majors. Addresses planning issues related to housing and neighborhood conservation. Specific course content may vary from semester to semester. May count either CPLN 5080 or CPLN 6080.

CPLN 6090 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (3) SEM. 3. Program approval for ABM students and non-majors. Planning issues related to community and economic development. Content may vary from semester to semester. May count either CPLN 5090 or CPLN 6090.

CPLN 6100 URBAN DESIGN METHODS (3) LEC. 3. Techniques and methodologies in urban design problem-solving and strategies for implementation.

CPLN 6110 SUSTAINABLE URBANISM AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT (3) SEM. 3. This course covers growth management in the United States. It covers growth management programs, the causes of sprawl, the costs and benefits of sprawl and growth management, and solutions to managing growth.

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CPLN 6450 PLANNING HISTORY AND THEORY (3) LEC. 3. This course provides future practitioners with the theoretical and historical tools and knowledge to effective in the planning field. May count either CPLN 5450 or CPLN 6450.

CPLN 6460 GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS FOR PLANNING AND POLICY (3) LEC. 3. Program approval for non-majors and ABM students. Basic concepts of geographic information systems and digital planning applications. Emphasis on spatial decision-making and visualization of planning scenarios. May count with CPLN 5460 or CPLN 6460.

CPLN 6970 SPECIAL TOPICS: CURRENT ISSUES IN PLANNING (3) LEC. 3. Elective seminar addresses current issues in planning. May count either CPLN 5970 or CPLN 6970.

CPLN 7200 URBAN DESIGN STUDIO (3) STU. 3. Basic principles of urban design are explored, with an emphasis on the planner's role in shaping the built environment. Exercises and projects provide hands-on experience in making good urban places.

CPLN 7240 QUANTITATIVE METHODS FOR PLANNING (3) LEC. 3. Development of working knowledge of planning techniques such as data collection, basic statistics, demographic analysis, economic analysis, social research, transportation, and evaluation.

CPLN 7400 LAND USE LAW (3) LEC. 3. This course covers three key elements of the planning profession: ethics, law and plan implementation.

CPLN 7400 SYNTHESIS STUDIO I (3) STU. 3. Pr. CPLN 7400. Serves as the primary opportunity for the student to demonstrate their competency in community design and planning by translating knowledge into action through the development of a practical plan.

CPLN 7600 SYNTHESIS STUDIO 2 (3) STU. 3. This class is the second required plan-making studio in the Master of Community Planning Program. Synthesis Studio 2 is the second in a two-semester series of classes that will critically consider a real-world planning project involving a city. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

CPLN 7800 SYNTHESIS PROJECT (6) AAB/STU. 12. Departmental approval. Demonstration of competence in community planning and design through production of an original, comprehensive project that integrates knowledge and experience in addressing a complex planning and design problem.

CPLN 7920 PLANNING INTERNSHIP (1-6) AAB/INT. Departmental approval. Professional experience in public, private or non-profit planning or planning-related agency. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

Health Administration Courses

HADM 2100/2103 MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY (3) LEC. 3. Prefixes, suffixes, and word roots used in the language of medicine; medical vocabulary and terms related to the health care field.

HADM 3000 GATEWAY TO HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION (3) LEC. 3. Basic concepts and principles of health care administration.

HADM 3300 HEALTH CARE POLICY (3) LEC. 3. Pr. HADM 3000 and (ACCT 2110 or ACCT 2117) and (MATH 1680 or MATH 1683 or MATH 1610 or MATH 1613 or MATH 1617) and (P/C HADM 2100 or P/C HADM 2103). Political policies that affect health care services.
HADM 3700 HEALTH LAW (3) LEC. 3. Legal issues that arise between patients and health care providers.

HADM 3800 HEALTH CARE ANALYTICS (3) LEC. 3. Pr. (STAT 2010 or STAT 2017 or STAT 2510 or STAT 2513 or STAT 2610) and (MATH 1610 or MATH 1613 or MATH 1617 or MATH 1680 or MATH 1683) and (ACCT 2110 or ACCT 2117). Majors only. This course focuses on using big data to drive decision making and improve health care quality through data aggregation and validation, strategic management data manipulation and technical reporting implementation.

HADM 4000 DEVELOPING CARE ORGANIZATIONS (3) LEC. 3. Pr. HADM 3300 and HADM 3800. Health Services Administration major only. Organizational strategies for effective interfacing of medical, nursing, allied health and administrative staff with patient needs.

HADM 4200 HEALTH CARE INSURANCE AND REIMBURSEMENT (3) LEC. 3. Pr. HADM 3000 and HADM 3700 and HADM 3800. Health Services Administration major only. Health insurance operations, principles, payment methods and contracts.

HADM 4800 HEALTH ADMINISTRATION AND REGULATION (3) LEC. 3. Pr. HADM 4000. Health Services Administration major only. Government regulatory programs affecting administration of health services organizations.

HADM 4810 CHANGE IN HEALTH ADMINISTRATION (3) LEC. 3. Pr. HADM 4000. Health Services Administration major only. Changes in modern technology, cultural diversity, and governmental policies on the administration of health services organizations.

HADM 4820 LONG-TERM CARE ADMINISTRATION (3) LEC. 3. Pr. HADM 4000. Health Services Administration major only. Analysis of the components (e.g. nursing homes, home health care) of the long-term care system for the elderly.

HADM 4830 COMPARATIVE HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS (3) LEC. 3. Pr. HADM 4000. Health Services Administration major only. Comparative Study and analysis of health care systems around the world.

HADM 4850 LONG-TERM CARE POLICY (3) LEC. 3. Pr. HADM 4000. Health Services Administration major only. Policy issues surrounding the provision of long-term care to the elderly.

HADM 4880 HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (3) LEC. 3. Pr. HADM 4000 and HADM 4200. Health Services Administration major only. Overview and utilization of health care information technology in health care administration.

HADM 4893 ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD APPLICATIONS (3) DSL. 3. Pr. HADM 4000 and HADM 3300 and HADM 3000 and (ACCT 2110 or ACCT 2117) and (MATH 1680 or MATH 1683 or MATH 1610 or MATH 1613 or MATH 1617). Health Services Administration major only. This course covers the definition, benefits, regulations, standards, functionality, and impact of Electronic Health Records (EHR) in the healthcare environment. The course provides the student with a thorough understanding of the terminology of EHR systems as well as practical experience with the clinical and administrative use of EHRs in a medical settings.

HADM 4920 INTERNSHIP (6) AAB/INT. 6. SU. Pr. HADM 4000 and HADM 4200 and FINC 3810 or (FINC 3610 or FINC 3613 or FINC 3617) and (HRMN 3420 or HRMN 3423) or (MNGT 3423 or MNGT 3420). Health Services Administration major only. Internship in selected areas of Health Administration.

HADM 4930 DIRECTED STUDIES (1-3) AAB/IND. Pr. HADM 3000 and ACCT 2100 and (MATH 1680 or MATH 1683) and (MATH 1610 or MATH 1613 or MATH 1617) and (STAT 2010 or STAT 2017) or (STAT 2510 or STAT 2513) or STAT 2610. Health Services Administration major only. This course is designed to facilitate an independent study in an area of special interest of the student and a sponsoring faculty member. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 3 credit hours.

HADM 4950 CAPSTONE SEMINAR (3) LEC. 3. Pr. HADM 4000 and HADM 4200 and (FINC 3810 or FINC 3610 or FINC 3613 or FINC 3617). Health Services Administration major only. Integrates knowledge from courses and internship; applies managerial and research skills to the completion of a research project and the organization of a research symposium.

HADM 4960 SPECIAL PROBLEMS IN HEALTH ADMINISTRATION (1-6) IND. Pr. HADM 3300. Directed readings in Health Administration. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

HADM 4970 SPECIAL TOPICS (3) ST1. 3. Pr. HADM 3000 and (ACCT 2110 or ACCT 2117) and (MATH 1680 or MATH 1683) or (MATH 1610 or MATH 1613 or MATH 1617). Health Services Administration major only. Special Topics courses are used to inform and educate students about new and emerging changes within the health care field. The Topics addressed change to coincide with changes in the health care environment.
Political Science Courses

POLI 1050 GLOBAL POLITICS AND ISSUES (3) LEC. 3. Examination of current trends toward globalization in institutional development to address world problems.

POLI 1057 HONORS GLOBAL POLITICS AND ISSUES (3) LEC. 3. Pr. Honors College. Examination of current trends toward globalization in institutional development to address world problems.

POLI 1090/1093 AMERICAN GOVERNMENT IN MULTICULTURAL WORLD (3) LEC. 3. Social Science II Core. American political institutions, processes and behavior in comparative context, with special attention to the ways in which cultural and social diversity in the United States has impacted its politics.

POLI 1097 HONORS AMERICAN GOVERNMENT IN MULTICULTURAL WORLD (3) LEC. 3. Pr. Honors College. Social Science II Core. American political institutions, processes and behavior in comparative context, with special attention to the ways in which cultural and social diversity in the United States has impacted its politics.

POLI 2100 STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (3) LEC. 3. Organization and operation of American state and local governments, including their relationship to the United States federal system and their role in public policy issues.

POLI 2120 URBANIZATION AND THE CITY (3) LEC. 3. This course introduces students to main themes and problems in the interdisciplinary field of urban studies.

POLI 3000 POLITICAL SCIENCE RESEARCH METHODS I (3) LEC. 3. Pr. POLI 1090 or POLI 1093 or POLI 1097 or PHIL 1090 or PHIL 1093 or PHIL 1097. Introduction to the basic concepts and methodology used in contemporary political analysis.

POLI 3020 INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL THEORY (3) LEC. 3. Pr. POLI 1090 or POLI 1093 or POLI 1097 or PHIL 1020 or PHIL 1023 or PHIL 1027. Selected major themes in political thought from ancient to modern times.

POLI 3080 MODEL UNITED NATIONS (3) LEC. 3. This course offers an in-depth analysis of the workings of the United Nations. It involves thorough studies of countries, the veto-power of the Security Council, and prepares students to participate in a Model United Nations exercise.

POLI 3090 INTRODUCTION TO INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (3) LEC. 3. International relations, including a consideration of the bases of national power and the rudiments of international politics.

POLI 3100 INTRODUCTION TO WORLD AFFAIRS (3) LEC. 3. Contemporary international politics and an evaluation of foreign policy objectives and strategies of seven major countries and how their stability as sovereign states are affected.

POLI 3120 INTRODUCTION TO COMPARATIVE POLITICS (3) LEC. 3. Methods of classifying governments by institutional and developmental characteristics.

POLI 3140 AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY (3) LEC. 3. Analysis of the decision-making process of American foreign policy and/or of selected current issues of American foreign policy.

POLI 3150 AMERICAN POLITICAL THOUGHT (3) LEC. 3. Principal American political philosophers and philosophies and their influence on political institutions.

POLI 3160 NATIONAL SECURITY POLICY (3) LEC. 3. Introduction to national security aspects of United States foreign policy.


POLI 3180 LATIN AMERICA AND THE UNITED STATES (3) LEC. 3. Analysis of the political, social, and economics aspects of Latin American-United States relations.

POLI 3190 INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OF THE MIDDLE EAST (3) LEC. 3. Survey of contemporary issues in international relations, focusing on the Middle East.

POLI 3240 ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE (3) LEC. 3. Components of the American legal system responsible for administration of public justice.
POLI 3250/3253 INTRODUCTION TO PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (3) LEC. 3. Pr. P/C POLI 1090 or P/C POLI 1093 or P/C POLI 1097. Administration in the public sector with particular emphasis on public administration as it exists in modern American government. May count either POLI 3250 or POLI 3253.

POLI 3260 ORGANIZATION THEORY (3) LEC. 3. Pr. POLI 3250 and (POLI 1090 or POLI 1093 or POLI 1097) or (PHIL 1090 or PHIL 1093 or PHIL 1097). Structure and function of governmental organizations with an emphasis on theories of administrative hierarchies and evaluation of bureaucracy.

POLI 3270 POLICY PROCESS (3) LEC. 3. Formulation and implementation of public policy; the roles of the major governmental institutions in policy-making.

POLI 3290 THE AMERICAN PRESIDENCY (3) LEC. 3. Pr. POLI 1090 or POLI 1093 or POLI 1097 or PHIL 1090 or PHIL 1093 or PHIL 1097. Examination of political styles and personalities of recent presidents and presidential decision-making.

POLI 3300 LAW AND SOCIETY (3) LEC. 3. Introduction to how law and legal actors influence and mediate some of the basic conflicts in society.

POLI 3310 THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS (3) LEC. 3. Pr. POLI 1090 or POLI 1093 or POLI 1097 or PHIL 1090 or PHIL 1093 or PHIL 1097. Principles, procedures, and problems of lawmaking in the United States; special attention to Congress and the state legislatures.

POLI 3320 JUDICIAL PROCESS (3) LEC. 3. Basic information about the structure and function of courts and the role of judges in all societies, with a special focus on American.

POLI 3340 INTRODUCTION TO CONFLICT RESOLUTION (3) LEC. 3. Methods of conflict resolution at various levels, from the interpersonal to international.

POLI 3350 CONTROVERSIES IN CONSTITUTIONAL LAW (3) LEC. 3. Origins and influence of controversial Supreme Court decisions, in such areas as religion, free speech, privacy, abortion, and criminal justice.

POLI 3360 FEDERAL JURISDICTION (3) LEC. 3. Introduction to the federal court system and Federal Jurisdiction under Article III.

POLI 3370 FEDERAL INDIAN LAW (3) LEC. 3. Introduction to the federal laws governing and regulating the relationship between tribal nations, on the one hand, and the states and federal governments, on the other.

POLI 3380 EVIDENCE AND LEGAL REASONING (3) LEC. 3. Introduction to the rules governing the presentation of evidence at trial.

POLI 3390 RELIGION AND POLITICS (3) LEC. 3. Interaction of religion with governmental institutions, elections, and public policies.

POLI 3400 POLITICAL PARTIES AND INTEREST GROUPS (3) LEC. 3. Pr. POLI 1090 or POLI 1093 or POLI 1097 or PHIL 1090 or PHIL 1093 or PHIL 1097. Nature, organization and operation of political parties in the United States; suffrage; nominating and electoral processes; importance and nature of interest groups.

POLI 3410 POLITICAL PARTICIPATION (3) LEC. 3. Pr. POLI 1090 or POLI 1093 or POLI 1097 or PHIL 1090 or PHIL 1093 or PHIL 1097. Political participation in the traditional and unconventional forms and the developing trends in citizen participation in recent years.

POLI 3420 POLITICS AND THE MEDIA (3) LEC. 3. Influences of the media on political action, the electoral process and popular concepts of political institutions, role of the media and its regulation by government.

POLI 3430 JUSTICE AND SOCIETY (3) LEC. 3. Historical overview of issues affecting legal policy.

POLI 3510 THE EUROPEAN UNION (3) LEC. 3. Analysis of the complex mixture of historical, economic, and cultural phenomena that comprise the European Union.

POLI 3520 COMPARATIVE POLITICS OF THE MIDDLE EAST (3) LEC. 3. Domestic politics in the states of the Middle East.


POLI 3540 EAST EUROPEAN POLITICS (3) LEC. 3. Survey and analysis of evolving political institutions and policies in eastern and central Europe under Communism and in the post-Communism period.
POLI 3550 GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS OF LATIN AMERICA (3) LEC. 3. Political environment, institutions and processes of Latin America, emphasizing factors that influence the degree of democracy and authoritarianism, stability and instability, and political development.

POLI 3560 THE ARAB SPRING (3) LEC. 3. Examination of the Arab Uprising that began in Tunisia in 2010 and spread to the rest of the region.

POLI 3610 ASIAN POLITICS (3) LEC. 3. Politics of the leading nations in East Asia with major attention being devoted to China, Japan, North and South Korea, and Taiwan.

POLI 3710 ISSUES IN AMERICAN POLITICS (3) LEC. 3. Pr. POLI 1090 or POLI 1093 or POLI 1097 or PHIL 1090 or PHIL 1093 or PHIL 1097. Topics in American politics. Focus will vary according to the instructor. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 3720 ISSUES IN COMPARATIVE POLITICS (3) LEC. 3. Topics in comparative politics. Focus will vary according to the instructor. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 3730 ISSUES IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (3) LEC. 3. Topics in international relations. Focus will vary according to the instructor. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 3740 ISSUES IN POLITICAL THOUGHT (3) LEC. 3. Topics in political thought. Focus will vary according to the instructor. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 3750 ISSUES IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (3) LEC. 3. Pr. POLI 1090 or POLI 1093 or POLI 1097 or PHIL 1090 or PHIL 1093 or PHIL 1097. Topics in public administration. Focus will vary according to the instructor. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 3760 ISSUES IN PUBLIC POLICY (3) LEC. 3. Topics in public policy. Focus will vary according to the instructor. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 3770 ISSUES IN PUBLIC LAW AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION (3) LEC. 3. Topics in public law and conflict resolution. Focus will vary according to the instructor. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 3980 UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH (1-3) LAB. Pr. POLI 3000. Supplementary learning concurrent with experience political science research. May be repeated twice, with change of topic. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 4010 CONSTITUTIONAL LAW: GOVERNMENT POWERS (3) LEC. 3. Constitutional law cases dealing with separation of powers, federalism, and elections.

POLI 4020 CONSTITUTIONAL LAW: CIVIL LIBERTIES (3) LEC. 3. Constitutional law cases dealing with First Amendment freedoms of religion, speech, press, assembly, and association.

POLI 4030 CONSTITUTIONAL LAW: CIVIL RIGHTS (3) LEC. 3. Supreme Court opinions defining gender discrimination, race discrimination, age discrimination, affirmative action, and such right to privacy issues as abortion, marriage, and physician-assisted suicide.


POLI 4050 AMERICAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT (3) LEC. 3. Pr. POLI 2100. Structure of local government, the roles and incentives of key elected and appointed officials, and the policy issues faced by those officials.

POLI 4130 POLITICS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS (3) LEC. 3. Politics and public agencies and their employees at all levels of government.

POLI 4140 PUBLIC FINANCE (3) LEC. 3. Pr. POLI 3250 and (POLI 1090 or POLI 1093 or POLI 1097) or (PHIL 1090 or PHIL 1093 or PHIL 1097). Theory and practice of public finance, with an emphasis on applications in state and local government.

POLI 4160 PUBLIC PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION (3) LEC. 3. Pr. POLI 3250 and (POLI 1090 or POLI 1093 or POLI 1097) or (PHIL 1090 or PHIL 1093 or PHIL 1097). Responsibilities, challenges, and opportunities that confront modern public administration in the management of human resources.
POLI 4340 CONTEMPORARY POLITICAL THEORY (3) LEC. 3. Pr. POLI 3020 or PHIL 1050 or PHIL 1053. Survey of late 20th- and early 21st-century political philosophies, including neo-classicist, post-modernist, communitarian, and critical theories.

POLI 4920 INTERNSHIP (1-6) AAB/INT. SU. Internship in selected areas of political science. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 4930 DIRECTED STUDIES (1-3) AAB/IND. Pr. POLI 1090 or POLI 1093 or POLI 1097 or PHIL 1090 or PHIL 1093 or PHIL 1097. Course may be repeated with change in topics.

POLI 4960 SPECIAL PROBLEMS (1-3) IND. Directed readings in political science, including topics such as American policies, comparative politics, international relations, political theory, public administration, public policy, public law, and methodology. Course may be repeated with change in topics.

POLI 4967 HONORS SPECIAL PROBLEMS (1-3) IND. Pr. Honors College. POLI 1090 or POLI 1093 or POLI 1097. Directed readings in political science, including topics such as American politics, comparative politics, international relations, political theory, public administration, public policy, public law, and methodology. Course may be repeated with change in topics.

POLI 4997 HONORS THESIS (1-3) IND. Pr. Honors College. POLI 1090 or POLI 1093 or POLI 1097. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 5150 INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS AND FEDERALISM (3) LEC. 3. Mid-level introduction to American federalism and the intergovernmental system, including theory, historical developments, major themes and emerging issues. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5150 and POLI 6150.

POLI 5170 ELECTION LAW (3) LEC. 3. Legal issues surrounding the election process within a democratic political system. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5170 and POLI 6170.

POLI 5180 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW (3) LEC. 3. General nature of administrative law; types of administrative action and enforcement; analysis of rule-making and adjudication; administrative due process; judicial review. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5180 and POLI 6180.

POLI 5210 VOTING BEHAVIOR AND REPRESENTATION (3) LEC. 3. Pr. POLI 1090 or POLI 1093 or POLI 1097 or PHIL 1093 or PHIL 1097. Causes of voting and vote choice and their consequences for the behavior of representatives. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5210 and POLI 6210.

POLI 5270 ELECTION ADMINISTRATION (3) LEC. 3. Elections and the shifting relationships among local, state, and federal governments. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5270 and POLI 6270.

POLI 5340 THEORY AND PRACTICE OF MEDIATION (3) LEC. 3. Pr. POLI 1090 or POLI 1093 or POLI 1097 or PHIL 1093 or PHIL 1097. Theoretical and comparative perspectives on conflict resolution, with emphasis on the role of mediation in various societies. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5340 and POLI 6340.

POLI 5350 NONPROFIT LAW AND GOVERNANCE (3) LEC. 2.5. Introduction to the legal principles that apply to the governance, and operation of the organizations that constitute the American nonprofit and voluntary sector. Also focuses on nonprofit governance relative to board leadership, development, diversity, effectiveness, and accountability.

POLI 5370 NONPROFIT MANAGEMENT (3) LEC. 3. Comprehensive overview of the complex and diverse nonprofit sector in the United States, including theory and practice of governance and key management functions. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5370 and POLI 6370.

POLI 5380 INGS AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS (3) LEC. 2.5. Examines the size, scope, and role of global civil society, emphasizing organizations active in international development: grassroots NGOs, international nonprofits, and transnational aid agencies. Covers innovations in global philanthropy, and opportunities and challenges faced by global civil society.

POLI 5410 SOUTHERN POLITICS (3) LEC. 3. Introduction to the politics and government of the southern region of the United States. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5410 and POLI 6410.

POLI 5510 ISSUES IN AMERICAN POLITICS (1-3) LEC. Pr. POLI 1090 or POLI 1093 or POLI 1097 or PHIL 1090 or PHIL 1093 or PHIL 1097. Topics in American politics. Focus will vary according to the instructor. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5510 and POLI 6510. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.
POLI 5520 ISSUES IN COMPARATIVE POLITCS (1-3) LEC. Topics in comparative politics. Focus will vary according to the instructor. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5520 and POLI 6520. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 5530 ISSUES IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (1-3) AAB/LEC. Topics in international relations. Focus will vary according to the instructor. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5530 and POLI 6530. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 5540 ISSUES IN POLITICAL THEORY (1-3) LEC. Topics in political theory. Focus will vary according to the instructor. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5540 and POLI 6540. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 5550 ISSUES IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (1-3) LEC. Topics in public administration. Focus will vary according to the instructor. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5550 and POLI 6550. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 5560 ISSUES IN PUBLIC POLICY (1-3) LEC. Topics in public policy. Focus will vary according to the instructor. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5560 and POLI 6560. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 5570 ISSUES IN PUBLIC LAW AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION (1-3) LEC. Topics in public law and conflict resolution. Focus will vary according to the instructor. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5570 and POLI 6570. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 5610 WOMEN IN POLITICS (3) LEC. 3. Examination of the political role of women in American society. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5610 and POLI 6610.

POLI 5620 AFRICAN AMERICAN POLITICS (3) LEC. 3. Political values, theories, problems issues and behavior relating to African Americans in the United States. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5620 and POLI 6620.

POLI 5710 PERSIAN GULF POLITICS (3) LEC. 3. Pr. POLI 1090 or POLI 1093 or POLI 1097 or PHIL 1090 or PHIL 1093 or PHIL 1907. Examination of the politics of the Persian Gulf. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5710 and POLI 6710.

POLI 6150 INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS AND FEDERALISM (3) LEC. 3. Mid-level introduction to American federalism and the intergovernmental system, including theory, historical developments, major themes, and emerging issues. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5150 and POLI 6150.

POLI 6170 ELECTION LAW (3) LEC. 3. Legal issues surrounding the election process within a democratic political system. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5170 and POLI 6170.

POLI 6180 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW (3) LEC. 3. General nature of administrative law; types of administrative action and enforcement; analysis of rule making and adjudication; administrative due process; judicial review. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5180 and POLI 6180.

POLI 6210 VOTING BEHAVIOR AND REPRESENTATION (3) LEC. 3. Causes of voting and vote choice and their consequences for the behavior of representatives. Credit will not be given for both POLI 6210 and POLI 5210.

POLI 6270/6276 ELECTION ADMINISTRATION (3) LEC. 3. Elections and the shifting relationships among local, state, and federal governments. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5270 and POLI 6270.

POLI 6340 THEORY AND PRACTICE OF MEDIATION (3) LEC. 3. Theoretical and comparative perspective on conflict resolution, with emphasis on the role of mediation in various societies. Credit will not be given for both POLI 6340 and POLI 5340.

POLI 6350 NONPROFIT LAW AND GOVERNANCE (3) LEC. 2.5. Introduction to the legal principles that apply to the formation, governance, and operation of the organizations that constitute the American nonprofit and voluntary sector. Also focuses on nonprofit governance relative to board leadership, development, diversity, effectiveness, and accountability.

POLI 6370 NONPROFIT MANAGEMENT (3) LEC. 3. Comprehensive overview of the complex and diverse nonprofit sector in the United States, including theory and practice of governance and key management functions. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5370 and POLI 6370.

POLI 6380 INGOS AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS (3) LEC. 2.5. Examines the size, scope, and role of global civil society outside of the US, with an emphasis on organizations active in international development, including international nonprofits, transnational aid agencies, and unilateral aid.

POLI 6410 SOUTHERN POLITICS (3) LEC. 3. Introduction to the politics and to a lesser extent government of the southern region of the United States. Credit will not be given for POLI 5410 and POLI 6410.
POLI 6510 ISSUES IN AMERICAN POLITICS (1-3) LEC. Topics in American politics. Focus will vary according to the instructor. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5510 and POLI 6510. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 6520 ISSUES IN COMPARATIVE POLITICS (1-3) LEC. Topics in comparative politics. Focus will vary according to the instructor. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5520 and POLI 6520. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 6530 ISSUES IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (1-3) LEC. Topics in international relations. Focus will vary according to the instructor. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5530 and POLI 6530. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 6540 ISSUES IN POLITICAL THEORY (1-3) LEC. Topics in political theory. Focus will vary according to the instructor. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5540 and POLI 6540. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 6550 ISSUES IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (1-3) LEC. Topics in public administration. Focus will vary according to the instructor. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5550 and POLI 6550. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 6560 ISSUES IN PUBLIC POLICY (1-3) LEC. Topics in public policy. Focus will vary according to the instructor. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5560 and POLI 6560. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 6570 ISSUES IN PUBLIC LAW AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION (1-3) LEC. Topics in public law and conflict resolution. Focus will vary according to the instructor. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5570 and POLI 6570. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 6610 WOMEN IN POLITICS (3) LEC. 3. A theoretical, historical, social, and political examination of the role of women in American society. Credit will not be given for both POLI 6610 and POLI 5610.

POLI 6620 AFRICAN AMERICAN POLITICS (3) LEC. 3. Political values, structure, and behavior of African Americans in the United States. Credit will not be given for both POLI 6620 and POLI 5620.

POLI 6710 PERSIAN GULF POLITICS (3) LEC. 3. Examination of the politics of the Persian Gulf. Credit will not be given for both POLI 5710 and POLI 6710.

POLI 7000 RESEARCH METHODS (3) LEC. 3. Statistics and other quantitative techniques for the analysis of policy and for administrative decision making.

POLI 7050 STATE POLITICS (3) LEC. 3. Current and classical research on state government, politics, and policy. Students critique others' research and design their own for submission to a professional journal.

POLI 7130 POLITICS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS (3) LEC. 3. Politics and public agencies and their employees at all levels of government. Credit will not be given for both POLI 7130 and POLI 4130.

POLI 7140 PUBLIC BUDGETING (3) LEC. 3. Comprehensive theoretical underpinning for research. Focuses on models associated with descriptive and prescriptive budgeting research.

POLI 7150 PUBLIC PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION (3) LEC. 3. Personnel policies, processes, and politics in American governments, including history, theory, and practice.

POLI 7160 FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION (3) LEC. 3. Application of macroeconomic theory to public finance, with emphasis on capital budgeting, taxation, user charges, debt administration, cash management, and investment for small governments.

POLI 7260 ORGANIZATIONAL THEORY AND ADMINISTRATIVE BEHAVIOR (3) LEC. 3. Structure and functioning of government organizations, with an emphasis on applied management and on leadership techniques.

POLI 7330 SEMINAR IN ADMINISTRATIVE LEADERSHIP, RESPONSIBILITY, AND DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT (3) SEM. 3. Problems and ethics, democratic theory and leadership as they relate to public administration.

POLI 7350 SEMINAR IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (3) SEM. 3. Introduction to public administration as practiced in the United States.

POLI 7360 SEMINAR IN POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION (3) SEM. 3. Formation, execution, and evaluation of public policy and an in-depth analysis of selected policy areas.

POLI 7520 PROGRAM EVALUATION (3) LEC. 3. Theory and practice of program evaluation in the public sector with attention to program planning, process assessment, and impact assessment.
POLI 7630 DIVERSITY IN PUBLIC LIFE (3) LEC. 3. Developing and institutionalizing diversity in complex public organizations as a major part of organizational culture.

POLI 7700 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND COMPETITION (3) LEC. 3. Politics of economic development at the local, state, and national levels, especially the infrastructure offered by communities and the types of plans that might attract outside investment.

POLI 7920/7926 MPA INTERNSHIP (3-6) INT. SU. Administrative experience in a governmental agency or participation in an approved governmental research project. May count either POLI 7920 or POLI 7926. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 7930/7936 MPA RESEARCH PROJECT (3-6) IND. SU. Completion and approval of a paper related to a policy or administrative issue or problem. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

POLI 7960/7966 SPECIAL PROBLEMS (1-3) IND. Directed readings in political science, including topics such as American politics, comparative politics, international relations, political theory, public administration, public policy, public law, and methodology. Course may be repeated with change in topics.

POLI 8000 DOCTORAL SEMINAR IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (3) LEC. 3. Nature of public administration as a field of study and different theoretical perspectives as reflected in current research.

POLI 8010 RESEARCH DESIGN AND ANALYSIS (3) LEC. 3. Development and testing of causal models in political and social science. Students will develop a complex research design under the close supervision of the instructor.

POLI 8020 DOCTORAL SEMINAR IN PUBLIC POLICY (3) SEM. 3. Advanced study of the nature of public policy development and implementation.

POLI 8040 DOCTORAL SEMINAR IN PUBLIC FINANCE (3) SEM. 3. Theory and practice of public finance in a comparative perspective.

POLI 8060 DOCTORAL SEMINAR IN PUBLIC POLICY ANALYSIS AND RESEARCH (3) SEM. 3. Examination of advanced policy analysis and research methodology and the relationship between evaluation and quantitative analysis and policy formulation and implementation.

POLI 8070 DOCTORAL SEMINAR IN HUMAN RESOURCE ADMINISTRATION IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR (3) SEM. 3. Major environmental values affecting public personnel administration and the major processes used in public personnel management.

POLI 8110 AMERICAN GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC POLICY (3) LEC. 3. Survey of the literature on the main institutions and policy processes of American national government, with emphasis on research design, methodology, and validity.

POLI 8120 QUALITATIVE RESEARCH METHODS (3) SEM. 3. Pr. POLI 8110. In-depth analysis of the use of qualitative methods in political science research.

POLI 8130 QUANTITATIVE METHODS (3) LEC. 3. Pr. POLI 8110. In-depth analysis of the use of quantitative methods in political science research.

POLI 8260 PUBLIC ORGANIZATIONAL THEORY AND MANAGEMENT (3) SEM. 3. Development and refinement of research on administrative and organizational theory in public management. Credit will not be given for both POLI 7260 and POLI 8260.

POLI 8450 COMPARATIVE POLITICS AND PUBLIC POLICY (3) LEC. 3. Theoretical approaches and important sub-field literatures. Applies insights and approaches to solving practical contemporary problems in public policy.

POLI 8550 INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND PUBLIC POLICY (3) LEC. 3. Application of the scholarship in international relations to public policy, with a focus on war, defense policy, and conflict management.


POLI 8750 PUBLIC LAW AND PUBLIC POLICY (3) LEC. 3. Role of the courts in public policy-making.

POLI 8970 SPECIAL TOPICS (3) LEC. 3. Directed study of topics of interest. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 9 credit hours.

POLI 8990/8996 RESEARCH AND DISSERTATION (1-10) DSR. Research related to writing the dissertation. Course may be repeated with change in topics.