

## POLITICAL SCIENCE

# Political Science

## Major

## Minor

	MAJOR	MINOR
Hours Required in Political Science:	37	21
Hours Required in Other Departments:	0	0
<b>Total Hours Required:</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>21</b>

### Professors:

Andorfer, Bowman, D. Lewis,  
O'Rorke, Simpson

### Associate Professors:

Hartlaub, S. Johnson, Twing (Chair)

- Only courses in which you earn a grade of C or better will count towards satisfaction of major or minor requirements.
- The Department strongly encourages majors to consider the internship option.
- POSC 492 counts as elective credit toward POSC major; POSC 495 counts as general elective credit.
- The Department considers it essential that majors take POSC 250 Research Methods before enrolling in 300 and 400 level POSC courses.
- Upon the completion of 75 credit hours, all majors must enroll in POSC 490 Capstone Seminar.

## Summary of Requirements for Major/Minor in Political Science

### Major

#### 1. Introductory Level Courses: (6 hours)

POSC 110/112 Introduction to American Politics (GEP Group D)  
and one of the following:

POSC 113/114 Introduction to World Politics (GEP Group D) or  
POSC 131 Introduction to Comparative Politics  
(GEP Group D or F)

#### 2. Research Methods: (3 hours)

POSC 250 Research Methods

#### 3. Capstone Seminar (1 hour)

POSC 490 Capstone Seminar in Political Science

#### 4. Distribution within Department: (15 hours)

Select one course in each of the following five groups.\*

#### GROUP I American Politics

POSC 321 American State & Local Politics  
POSC 323 Public Administration  
POSC 324 Criminal Justice Systems in Action  
POSC 352 Interest Groups  
POSC 361 Public Opinion and Political Behavior  
POSC 362 Political Parties and Elections  
POSC 363 Media and Politics  
POSC 365 Women and Politics  
POSC 421 American Legislative Politics  
POSC 422 American Constitutional Law I  
POSC 423 American Constitutional Law II  
POSC 427 The American Presidency  
POSC 462 Personality and Politics

#### GROUP II Comparative Politics

POSC 330 Politics of Africa  
POSC 331 Politics of Latin America  
POSC 332 Politics of Middle East  
POSC 333 Politics of Europe  
POSC 431 Russian Politics  
POSC 435 Model Organization of American States

#### GROUP III International Relations

POSC 341 International Organization  
POSC 342 Foreign Policy of the United States  
POSC 441 Theory and Practice of International Relations  
POSC 442 National Security Policy  
POSC 443 Transnational Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism

#### Group IV Public Administration and Policy

POSC 355 Public Budgeting  
POSC 358 American Public Policy  
POSC 450 Environmental Public Policy  
POSC 455 Public Program Evaluation

#### GROUP V Political Theory

POSC 370 Introduction to Political Thought  
POSC 470 Seminar in Political Thought  
POSC 471 American Political Thought

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\*Seminar courses may be applicable to the distribution requirements with the prior approval of the department chair.

**Major** *(continued)***5. Free Elective Hours in Department:***(12 hours)**Any courses from the above subfields not already taken and/or:*

POSC 492 Internship Seminar (3 or 6 credits)

*and/or* POSC 488 Comparative Legal Systems

POSC 498 Readings in Political Science

**Minor** *(continued)***5. Free Elective Hours in Department:***(15 hours)**Any courses from the above subfields not already taken and/or:*

POSC 492 Internship Seminar (3 or 6 credits)

*and/or* POSC 488 Comparative Legal Systems

POSC 498 Readings in Political Science

**Psychology**