POLITICAL SCIENCE

Majors:

• Bachelor of Arts, Human Rights Studies (p. 1)
• Bachelor of Arts, Political Science (p. 3)

Minors:

• Human Rights Studies (p. 4)
• Political Science (p. 4)

The Department of Political Science offers a Bachelor of Arts with a major in Political Science and a Bachelor of Arts with a major in Human Rights Studies. Minors in political science and human rights studies are also offered.

• A major in political science requires 39 semester hours of political science courses.
• A major in human rights studies requires 45 to 57 semester hours of courses in the humanities and the social sciences.
• A minor in political science consists of 15 semester hours. Courses selected by students should strengthen academic or career objectives.
• A minor in human rights studies consists of 18 semester hours. Courses selected should strengthen academic or career objectives.

Minors and Teacher Licensure

A student majoring in political science can acquire teacher licensure through the dual-degree B.A. and B.S.E. program conducted in conjunction with the Department of Teacher Education in the School of Education and Health Sciences, or minor in any related discipline within the College of Arts and Sciences. The student must consult with the department administering the discipline for the particular requirements of a minor.

Faculty

Grant W. Neeley, Chairperson
Director of Human Rights Studies Program: Natalie Hudson
Director of Master of Public Administration: Michelle Pautz
Director of Graduate Certificate in Nonprofit & Community Leadership: Steve Neiheisel
Professors Emeriti: Ahern, Fogel, Insocho, Karns, Lapitan, Nelson
Professors: Ghere, Ingram, Pierce
Associate Professors: Bilocerkowycz, Ensalaco, Hudson, Miller, Neeley, Pautz, Watkins
Assistant Professors: Ambrosius, Devine, Pruce
Lecturers: Birdsong, Neiheisel, Talbott

Bachelor of Arts, Human Rights Studies (HRS) minimum 124 hours

The Bachelor of Arts in Human Rights Studies is an integrated pre-professional degree firmly grounded in the traditional liberal arts. Students, faculty, and staff participating in the program enter into it guided by their fundamental commitment to respect and promote the dignity of each human person. The degree is intended to produce intellectually adept students who are capable of performing rigorous research and conducting high quality analysis of critical questions in the area of human rights studies. It is equally intended to produce thoughtful and transformational servant-leaders who will apply the knowledge and skills obtained in the program to contemporary human rights issues and situations both domestically and internationally. Through the integration of liberal and pre-professional education, the interdisciplinary program prepares distinctive graduates who intend to pursue advanced study and training in the field of human rights, or careers in human rights advocacy and humanitarian assistance. Those graduates will possess the values, knowledge and skills necessary for effective public service in:

• Government agencies
• Non-governmental organizations
• International aid agencies
• Non-profit groups in human rights or humanitarian assistance

Courses taken for the major may also count toward completion of the Common Academic Program and the Liberal Studies Curriculum.

Common Academic Program (CAP) ¹

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Oral Communication

| ENG 200 Writing Seminar II      | 3 cr. hrs. |

Principles of Oral Communication

| CMM 100 Principles of Oral Communication | 3 cr. hrs. |

Social Science

| Social Science                   | 3 cr. hrs. |

| SSC 200 Social Science Integrated | 3 cr. hrs. |

Natural Sciences ⁵

| Natural Sciences                  | 7 cr. hrs. |

Crossing Boundaries

| Crossign Boundaries               | up to 12 cr. hrs. |

Faith Traditions

| Faith Traditions                  | 3 cr. hrs. |

Practical Ethical Action

| Practical Ethical Action          | 3 cr. hrs. |

Inquiry

| Inquiry                          | 3 cr. hrs. |

Integrative

| Integrative                      | 3 cr. hrs. |

Advanced Study

| Advanced Study                   | 3 cr. hrs. |

Philosophy and/or Religious Studies (6 cr. hrs.)

| Philosophy and/or Religious Studies | 3 cr. hrs. |

Historical Studies (3 cr. hrs.) ⁶

1. Common Academic Program (CAP)
2. First-Year Humanities Commons
3. Writing Seminar I
4. Second-Year Writing Seminar
5. Natural Sciences
6. Historical Studies
Diversity and Social Justice 7 3 cr. hrs.

Major Capstone 8 0-6 cr. hrs.

1. The credit hours listed reflect what is needed to complete each CAP component. However, they should not be viewed as a cumulative addition to a student’s degree requirements because many CAP courses are designed to satisfy more than one CAP component (e.g., Crossing Boundaries and Advanced Studies) and may also satisfy requirements in the student’s major.
2. May be completed with ASI 110 and ASI 120 through the Core Program.
3. May be completed with ENG 100A and ENG 100B, by placement.
4. May be completed with ENG 114 or ENG 198 or ASI 120.
5. Must include two different disciplines and at least one accompanying lab.
6. U.S. History AP credit will not satisfy this requirement.
7. May not double count with First-Year Humanities Commons, Second-Year Writing, Oral Communication, Social Science, Arts, or Natural Sciences CAP components, but may double count with courses taken to satisfy other CAP components and/or courses taken in the student’s major.
8. The course or experience is designed by faculty in each major; it may, or may not, be assigned credit hours.

Liberal Studies Curriculum

| Creative and Performing Arts (May include CAP Arts) | 3 |
| L2 Proficiency (Proficiency in a language other than English) | 0-11 |
| Literature (May include CAP Components) | 3 |
| Mathematics, excluding MTH 205 (Satisfies CAP Mathematics) | 3 |
| Natural Sciences (Satisfies CAP Natural Sciences) | 11 |
| Social Sciences (Includes CAP Social Science) | 12 |

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| HRS 200 Introduction to Human Rights | 3 |
| HRS 497 Capstone Seminar in Human Rights Studies | 3 |
| CMM 355 Rhetoric of Social Movements | 3 |
| HST 312 Age of Democratic Revolutions | 3 |
| PHL 371 Philosophy & Human Rights | 3 |
| or POL 361 Leadership in Nongovernmental Organizations | 3 |
| POL 305 Introduction to Public Administration | 3 |
| or POL 361 Leadership in Nongovernmental Organizations | 3 |
| POL 333 Politics of Human Rights | 3 |
| POL 334 Politics of Human Rights II | 3 |
| POL 406 International Law & Organization | 3 |
| REL 363 Faith & Justice | 3 |
| or REL 261 Faith Traditions: Human Rights | 3 |
| SOC 371 Sociology of Human Rights | 3 |
| or ANT 325 Anthropology of Human Rights | 3 |

Select one course from:

- CMM 412 Research Methods in Communication
- HST 301 Historiography
- POL 207 Political Analysis
- SOC 208 Social Research Methods

Select one course from three different concentrations: 9

- Anthropology
  - ANT 360 Making of Modern South Asia
- Criminal Justice Studies
  - CJS 336 Comparative Criminal Justice Systems
- Economics
  - ECO 460 Economic Development & Growth
- History
  - HST 334 History of the Palestinian-Israeli Conflict
  - HST 337 History of Africa - 19th Century to the Present
  - HST 356 Topics in Transnational Feminist History
  - HST 361 U.S. Legal & Constitutional History II
  - HST 399 History of Blacks in the United States Since 1900
- Philosophy
  - PHL 314 Philosophy of Law
  - PHL 317 Ethics of War
  - PHL 327 Philosophy of Peace
  - PHL 370 Political Philosophy
  - PHL 372 Values & Economics
- Political Science
  - POL 300 Political Issues 3
  - POL 319 Twentieth-Century Political Thought
  - POL 331 Nationalism & Ethnopolitics (Satisfies CAP Social Science)
- Religious Studies
  - REL 358 Liberation Theologies
  - REL 360 Christian Ethics
  - REL 366 The Holocaust: Theological & Religious Responses
- Sociology
  - SOC 326 Law & Society
  - SOC 328 Racial & Ethnic Relations
  - SOC 339 Social Inequality
  - SOC 345 Sociology of Extremism
  - SOC 368 Immigration & Immigrants
  - SOC 435 Sociology of Globalization
- Spanish
  - SPN 380 Spanish & Ibero-American Cinema
  - SPN 480 Spanish & Ibero-American Cinema

Experiential or Research Requirement 3-6

Select one course (for a total of 3 semester hours):

- CMM 390 Independent Study
- HST 496 Independent Study
- PHL 492 Directed Research
- POL 431 Independent Study & Research
- POL 495 Internship
- SOC 409 Senior Project Capstone
- SOC 498 Independent Study

Or complete an Honors Thesis (for a total of 6 semester hours):
Bachelor of Arts, Political Science (POL)
minimum 124 hours

Common Academic Program (CAP) 1
First-Year Humanities Commons 2 12 cr. hrs.

HST 103 The West & the World
REL 103 Introduction to Religious and Theological Studies
PHL 103 Introduction to Philosophy
ENG 100 Writing Seminar I 3
Second-Year Writing Seminar 4 0-3 cr. hrs.

ENG 200 Writing Seminar II
Oral Communication 3 cr. hrs.

CMM 100 Principles of Oral Communication
Mathematics 3 cr. hrs.

Social Science 3 cr. hrs.

SSC 200 Social Science Integrated

Arts 3 cr. hrs.

Natural Sciences 5 7 cr. hrs.

Crossing Boundaries up to 12 cr. hrs.

Faith Traditions
Practical Ethical Action
Inquiry
Integrative
Advanced Study

Philosophy and/or Religious Studies (6 cr. hrs.)
Historical Studies (3 cr. hrs.) 6

Diversity and Social Justice 7 3 cr. hrs.

Major Capstone 8 0-6 cr. hrs.

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2 May include CAP Components.

3 This course can only be counted when taught as International Political Economy.

Liberal Studies Curriculum
Creative and Performing Arts (May include CAP Arts) 3
L2 Proficiency (Proficiency in a language other than English) 0-11 cr. hrs.

Literature (May include CAP Components) 3
Mathematics, excluding MTH 205 (Satisfies CAP Mathematics) 3

Natural Sciences (Satisfies CAP Natural Science) 11

Social Sciences, excluding POL courses (Includes CAP Social Science) 12
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Select seven POL courses (May include CAP Components) 1, 2 21

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Total Hours to total at least 124

1 POL majors are required to have completed POL 207 by their first semester with Jr. standing.
2 Including twenty-one semester hours at the 300/400 level.
3 Students earning the B.A. in Political Science may count no more than six semester hours earned on internships (POL 495) toward the fulfillment of the degree requirements in POL. Students may, however, take additional hours of internship credit (POL 495) and count them toward the necessary 124 hours needed for graduation.

Minor in Human Rights Studies (HRS)

The interdisciplinary minor in Human Rights Studies provides students an opportunity to address issues related to human rights from various disciplinary approaches. The universal nature of human rights issues may directly relate to a major, while in other cases this minor will provide an opportunity for broadening one’s exposure to these important topics.

The Human Rights Studies minor requires 18 semester hours. It is recommended that the required course be taken in the sophomore year. Students should consult with the Director of Human Rights Studies to ensure that the courses selected from the elective pool display a significant degree of coherence. Courses taken from this minor may be applied to other minors and to breadth and general education requirements.

Human Rights Studies

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SOC 435 Sociology of Globalization

1 At least one course must be from CMM, HST, PHL, or REL.
2 Select any course that has not been already used to fulfill other Human Rights Studies Minor requirements.
3 This course can only be counted when the topic is relevant to human rights.

Minor in Political Science (POL)

Political Science

Select one POL introductory course (201, 202, 214) 3
Select four POL courses (300/400 level) 12
Total Hours 15

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Bachelor of Arts, Human Rights Studies

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Bachelor of Arts, Human Rights Studies
### Bachelor of Arts, Political Science

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Total credit hours: 124-125
**Political Science Courses**

**HRS 200. Introduction to Human Rights. 3 Hours**
Exploration of the rights of individuals and groups at global, national and local levels. Examination of basic questions about what humans are and what rights are, and a careful consideration of the foundations of rights claims and the myriad of mechanisms for defending and enforcing rights. Investigation into the key social, political, historical, and economic factors that lead to human rights violations and ways in which human rights research methods inform human rights theory and practice.

**HRS 497. Capstone Seminar in Human Rights Studies. 3 Hours**
Examination and reflection of scholarship and experiential learning activity related to interdisciplinary major. Project and public presentation on a contemporary human rights challenge demonstrating practical wisdom and critical evaluation of our times. Exploration of leadership, advocacy and service opportunities in human rights and humanitarian assistance as vocation.

**HRS 498. Independent Study. 1-6 Hours**
Research or special readings on problems of interest to the student under the guidance of a Human Rights Studies faculty or staff member.

**Political Science Courses**

**POL 200. Introduction to Political Science. 3 Hours**
Study of the dominant theoretical approaches, central questions and concepts, and history of political science. Political Science majors only.

**POL 201. The American Political System. 3 Hours**
Study of the American political system, its attitudinal and constitutional base, its structure and processes.

**POL 202. Introduction to Comparative Politics. 3 Hours**
Analysis of major concepts and approaches in the study of comparative government and politics.

**POL 207. Political Analysis. 3 Hours**
Introduction to the basic concepts and processes of research in political science.

**POL 214. Introduction to International Politics. 3 Hours**
Analysis of the dynamic forces of conflict and cooperation in world politics.

**POL 300. Political Issues. 3 Hours**
Introductory examination of contemporary political issues selected by the instructor, such topics as welfare, political morality, political campaigns, institutional reform, and political economy.

**POL 301. The American Judicial Process. 3 Hours**
Study of the judicial process as part of the political system. Focus on the participants (police, lawyers, judges, interest groups, litigants, jurors) and the process (criminal, civil, and appellate proceedings).

**POL 303. State & Local Government. 3 Hours**
Comparative study of the political institutions, processes, and systems of the fifty states and their effect on the content and administration of selected public policies, programs, and services.

**POL 305. Introduction to Public Administration. 3 Hours**
Basic principles of organization and management in executive departments of government at all levels; questions of planning, leadership, and control.

**POL 306. Public Policy Analysis. 3 Hours**
Introduction to public policy-making systems and the methodology of policy analysis; theories of policy formulation, the policy-making process, means for measuring policy effectiveness, analysis of proposals for policy change.

**POL 307. The Politics of Bureaucracy & Regulation. 3 Hours**
Examination of the nature and meaning of bureaucracy in contemporary American society, its relationship to the private sector, and the devices for its evaluation and control.

**POL 308. Morality Policy. 3 Hours**
Introduction to the morality-based public policy debate with comparison of morality policy (e.g. abortion, drugs, gay rights, pornography) and traditional forms of public policy; study of the moral basis underlying current political topics and debate.

**POL 310. Political Parties, Campaigns & Elections. 3 Hours**
Analysis of the history, nature, and function of political parties and their role in the political system in both a domestic and comparative context.

**POL 311. Public Opinion & Political Behavior. 3 Hours**
The formation, maintenance, change, and impact of public opinion on the American political system; the role of theory and analysis of data in understanding public and political behavior.

**POL 312. The American Presidency. 3 Hours**
Study of the American presidency, the development of presidential powers, and its leadership role in the political system.

**POL 314. Interest Group Politics. 3 Hours**
Exploration of the role of interest groups in the American political system through an examination of their internal organization and their roles in the electoral and policy making processes at the national, state and local levels. Prerequisite(s): POL 201.

**POL 316. American Political Thought. 3 Hours**
An exploration and critical investigation of selected actors, thinkers, texts, ideas and movements in American political thought and theory from the colonial period to the present. Topics may include the founding, the age of Jackson, the Civil War, Progressivism, Women's Suffrage, the New Deal, the Cold War, the Civil Rights Movement, the 1960s, and others.

**POL 317. Development of Political Theory. 3 Hours**
Analysis of selected theorists and political doctrines forming the tradition of Western thought on politics. Theorists including Plato, Aristotle, the Stoics, Augustine, Aquinas, Machiavelli, Hobbes, Locke, Rousseau, Mill, Marx, Spencer, Lenin, Gasset, and Camus presented in their historical and socio-political contexts.

**POL 318. Public Integrity & Political Leadership. 3 Hours**
Analysis of contemporary leadership issues related to integrity and values in political office-holding, public service, and global governance contexts. Prerequisite(s): CMM 201 or (POL 201 or POL 202 or POL 214) or permission of instructor.

**POL 319. Twentieth-Century Political Thought. 3 Hours**
Analysis of selected political theorists, concepts, and movements from the late nineteenth century to the present. Thinkers and concepts may include Marx, Nietzsche, Sartre, Camus, Freud, Arendt, Strauss, the Frankfurt School, Fanon, Foucault, Rawls, Rorty, existentialism, feminism, colonialism, post-modernity, liberalism, neo-conservatism among others.
POL 320. Comparative Politics: Western Europe. 3 Hours
Analysis of governmental institutions and political processes of Western Europe.

POL 321. Comparative Politics: Russia & the New States. 3 Hours
Analysis of governmental institutions and political processes of Russia and the New States.

POL 323. Comparative Politics: Latin America. 3 Hours
Analysis of governmental institutions and political processes of Latin America.

POL 331. Nationalism & Ethnopolitics. 3 Hours
An analysis of the politics of nationalism and ethnicity and their impact on social justice. Diverse case studies (US, Russia, Northern Ireland, Israeli-Palestinian) and institutions (European Community, United Nations) will be explored.

POL 333. Politics of Human Rights. 3 Hours
Examines the evolution of international human rights norms and the creation of the institutions for the protection and promotion of human rights, and case material relating to each category of internationally recognized human rights.

POL 334. Politics of Human Rights II. 3 Hours
This research seminar examines select topics related to the protection and promotion of human rights. This course is required for all Human Rights Studies majors. The research seminar adopts a case-study approach that enables students to analyze the complex social, economic, cultural, and political factors that impede the full realization of internationally recognized human rights, and to critically evaluate the effectiveness of the advocacy strategies used by inter-governmental human rights bodies and non-governmental human rights organizations. Thus, this seminar is designed to enable students to connect human rights theory and practice. Part I (Overview) provides a more in-depth examination of the material covered in POL 333 (the Politics of Human Rights I). Part II (Case Studies) examines critical contemporary issues and covers the full range of civil, political, economic, social, and cultural rights. Students will collaborate on team research projects and produce a final Human Rights Report containing an analysis of a specific situation of the violation of human rights, findings of fact, and recommendations aimed at rectifying the situation. Students will present and defend their team reports and present in class at the end of the semester. Prerequisite(s): POL 333.

POL 335. United States National Security Policy. 3 Hours
Analysis of various political, economic, and military issues and problems relating to U.S. national security.

POL 336. United Nations System: Theory and Practice. 3 Hours
Introduction to the United Nations system with detailed case studies of specific countries, issues, and policies. Course also serves to prepare students for participation in the National Model United Nations Conference. Prerequisite(s): SSC 200.

POL 340. Gender, Women's Rights and Global Politics. 3 Hours
Overview of the ways international relations scholars study gender and use gender as a lens on world politics. Course includes a foundation in feminist theory as it relates to other international relations theories as well as investigation of political topics such as war, labor, human rights, political participation, and violence. Course is intersectional in approach, examining how the power of gender operates to maintain interlocking inequalities based on gender, nationality, race, class, and sexuality and how these inequalities result in problematic gender equality policymaking. Prerequisite(s): POL 214 or permission of instructor.

POL 341. Power, Gender & Performance. 3 Hours
Consideration of performances of identity and advocacy at the intersection of political power and gender as constructive responses to gender inequality. Performance protests for gender equality, and cultural performances of gender are examined in historical case studies and current events.

POL 350. Legislative Politics. 3 Hours
Study of the U.S. Congress, its organization and procedures, and its powers and influence in the political system.

POL 354. Political Campaign Communication. 3 Hours
Examination of theory and research on the role, processes and effects of communication in political campaigns with emphasis on mass media, public speaking, debates, advertising, and interpersonal communications. Prerequisite(s): CMM 100 and Sophomore standing.

POL 360. Urban Politics & Policy. 3 Hours
Study of the nature of urban political systems in the U.S. with emphasis on explanation of differences in their policy responses.

POL 361. Leadership in Nongovernmental Organizations. 3 Hours
Examination of management skills required of professionals in various types of nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) and how leaders integrate agency values and management processes to promote rights-related missions. HRS and POL majors or minors only or permission of the department chairperson.

POL 365. Disaster Policy & Administration. 3 Hours
Exploration of policy approaches and administrative response strategies related to various phases of disasters and security crises in the U.S. and international settings with attention to human rights issues. Prerequisite(s): POL 201 or permission of instructor.

POL 371. Environmental Policy. 3 Hours
Examination of environmental public policymaking and implementation in the United States. Students will apply knowledge of government and policy processes to specific environmental issues, analyze governmental response, and consider how action on those issues may be pursued. Prerequisite(s): SSC 200.

POL 381. Film & Politics. 3 Hours
Exploration of film as a medium for both reflecting societal opinions and influencing those opinions. In this course, students will investigate various political topics and issues and explore how American narrative film has dealt with these topics integrated across fields such as history, economics, communications and sociology.

POL 404. United States - Latin American Relations. 3 Hours
This course examines the foreign relations of the United States with other countries of the Western hemisphere. Political, economic and security issues are examined from both theoretical and historical perspectives. Prerequisite(s): (POL 210 or POL 214) or permission of instructor.

POL 406. International Law & Organization. 3 Hours
Study of rules governing the community of nations; their nature, sources, and development; the international agencies responsible for their development, interpretation, and administration. Prerequisite(s): POL 214 or permission of instructor.

POL 408. American Foreign Policy. 3 Hours
Critical study of the American foreign policy process and evaluation of the sources of American foreign policy. Prerequisite(s): (POL 201, POL 214) or permission of instructor.

POL 409. Russian Foreign Policy. 3 Hours
Analysis of the internal and external factors shaping the foreign policies of Russia and the independent republics.
POL 410. Comparative Foreign Policy. 3 Hours
Comparative analysis of the foreign policies of major states with emphasis on the process of policy development and on the national and international determinants of policy behaviors. Prerequisite(s): (POL 202 or POL 217) or permission of instructor.

POL 411. Constitutional Law. 3 Hours
Analysis of the role of the U.S. Supreme Court in its interpretation of the Constitution. Emphasis on the various methods of judicial interpretation as they affect such provisions as the commerce clause, the taxing and spending powers, due process, the dimensions of presidential and congressional authority, and the doctrine of judicial review. Prerequisite(s): POL 301 or permission of instructor.

POL 412. Comparative Law. 3 Hours
Explores how foreign judicial systems protect and promote civil and political rights through different constitutional designs. Prerequisite(s): POL 301.

POL 413. The Politics of Bureaucracy & Regulation. 3 Hours
Examination of the nature and meaning of bureaucracy in contemporary American society and the devices for its evaluation and control.

POL 421. Seminar in Political Science. 3 Hours
Seminar on current problems and issues in political science. May be taken more than once when content changes. Prerequisite(s): Political Science major; completed POL core courses.

POL 426. Leadership in Building Communities. 3 Hours
Investigation of the processes by which urban neighborhoods develop themselves from the inside out. Students cultivate their own interdisciplinary appreciation of urban communities through extensive interaction with one neighborhood’s visioning process. Topics include asset-based community development, social capital, citizenship, adaptive leadership, and community building strategies and tools.

POL 431. Independent Study & Research. 1-6 Hours
Individual reading and research on selected topics under faculty direction. Recommended for seniors only. Prerequisite(s): POL 207 and permission of instructor or department chairperson.

POL 450. Civil Liberities. 3 Hours
Analytical examination of civil liberties in the U.S. with emphasis on the Supreme Court as arbiter in the endless conflict between the demand for individual liberty and the needs of constitutional authority. Prerequisite(s): (POL 301 or POL 411) or permission of instructor.

POL 452. Political Violence. 3 Hours
Consideration of theoretical approaches to understanding violent change in political institutions; the continuum between violence and nonviolence; revolution, revolt, campus dissent, and political assassination. Prerequisite(s): (POL 202 or POL 333) or permission of instructor.

POL 477. Honors Thesis Project. 3 Hours
First of two courses leading to the selection, design, investigation, and completion of an independent, original Honors Thesis project under the guidance of a faculty research advisor. Restricted to students in the University Honors Program with permission of the program director and department chairperson. Students pursuing an interdisciplinary thesis topic may register for three semester hours each in two separate disciplines in consultation with the department chairpersons. Prerequisite(s): Approval of University Honors Program.

POL 478. Honors Thesis Project. 3 Hours
Second of two courses leading to the selection, design, investigation, and completion of an independent, original Honors Thesis project under the guidance of a faculty research advisor. Restricted to students in the University Honors Program with permission of the program director and department chairperson. Students pursuing an interdisciplinary thesis topic may register for three semester hours each in two separate disciplines in consultation with the department chairpersons. Prerequisite(s): Approved 477; approval of University Honors Program.

POL 479. Selected Topics in Public Policy. 3 Hours
Intensive examination of policy process, outcomes, and impact in an area or areas of American public policy selected by the instructor; such topics as transportation, education, welfare, national defense, urban and community development, civil rights, and science and technology. May be repeated once when topic changes.

POL 495. Internship. 1-9 Hours
Supervised experience in government agencies and programs. Prelaw students are assigned to law firms and judicial chambers. Prerequisite(s): Permission of supervising professor.

POL 496. Public Service Practicum. 1-6 Hours
Individualized mentorship course integrating professional development and a critical analysis of applied experience related to public service. Includes an integrative presentation which connects students’ internship to political science theories and concepts presented in coursework. Prerequisite(s): Permission of instructor.

POL 497. Service Learning Experience. 1 Hour
Supervised community research or service experience that complements a specific upper division course in Political Science. Repeatable up to three semester hours. No more than three semester hours of Social Science 497 credits can count toward graduation. Prerequisite(s): Permission of instructor. Corequisite(s): A 300-400 Political Science course.

POL 498. Political Science and Vocation. 0 Hours
Political Science as Vocation reflects on the purposes of life and proposed work through the language of vocation. For those majors writing an honors thesis, independent study, or completing a capstone in a second major. All others must take POL 499. Prerequisite(s): Senior standing and permission of the department chair.

POL 499. Political Science Capstone. 3 Hours
Project and presentation in the scholarship, activity and/or practice related to the major. Students will present their work in a forum appropriate to the major. Senior standing. Prerequisite(s): POL 207.
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