

## Political Science Courses

***CPO 2002 INTRODUCTION TO COMPARATIVE POLITICS*** (3)

Introduction to politics in different states; comparison and analysis of representative European and non-Western political systems.

***CPO 4034 POLITICS OF THE DEVELOPING AREAS*** (3)

An analysis of the ideologies, governmental structures, and political processes of selected nations of the non-Western world.

***CPO 4930 COMPARATIVE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS OF SELECTED COUNTRIES OR AREAS*** (3)

Studies political systems with common elements. Structure, process, domestic and foreign politics, and regional roles are considered. May be repeated up to 9 credit hours as topics vary.

***CPO 5934 SELECTED TOPICS IN COMPARATIVE POLITICS*** (3)

Studies specific substantive areas in comparative politics such as political economy or the politics of specific countries or regions. May be repeated for credit as topics vary.

***INR 2002 INTRODUCTION TO INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS*** (3)

Concepts and analytical tools applied to events such as politics among nations, control of foreign policies, types of actors, war and peace.

***INR 3102 AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY*** (3)

Analysis of the development and scope of United States foreign policy, emphasizing goals and objectives, policy formulation and implementation, themes and issues.

***INR 4035 INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL ECONOMY*** (3)

Analysis of the development and politics of the international economic system, focusing on questions of cooperation and conflict in trade, aid, and investment relationships.

***INR 4254 AFRICA IN WORLD AFFAIRS*** (3)

An examination of Africa's place and role in world affairs including an analysis of the impact of external forces, international relations in post-colonial Africa, the relations of African states with the major World Powers, the UN and its agencies.

***INR 4334 DEFENSE POLICY*** (3)

Analytic institutional factors contributing to formulation of defense policy and the impact of such policy on international relations.

***INR 4403 INTERNATIONAL LAW*** (3)

Examines essential components of the international legal system; recognition; succession; sea, air and space law, treaties, diplomats, International Court of Justice; laws of war, etc. Introduces the student to legal reasoning as employed in the international context.

***INR 4502 INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS*** (3)  
Study of the operations and structure of international organizations and effects on world politics; background and achievement of the UN; regional organizations and multi-national corporations.

***INR 5086 ISSUES IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS*** (3)  
Explore specific topics and provides the student with an opportunity for in-depth study of historical and contemporary problems in international politics. May be repeated for credit as topics vary.

***POS 2041 AMERICAN NATIONAL GOVERNMENT*** (3)  
Analysis of basic principles and procedures of the American governmental system with emphasis on current issues and trends.

***POS 2080 THE AMERICAN POLITICAL TRADITION*** (3)  
This course is an introductory survey of the historical developments and changes in American political institutions, processes, and thought.

***POS 2112 STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS*** (3)  
Analysis of the structure and function of state and local governments, of the social and political influences that shape them, and of the dynamics of their administrative processes.

***POS 3142 INTRODUCTION TO URBAN POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT*** (3)  
Governmental and political structures and processes as they function in urban areas, with special focus on municipalities and locally based public services.

***POS 3145 GOVERNING METROPOLITAN AREAS*** (3)  
Examines governmental units and interactions in metropolitan areas, proposals for changes in governance, and policy areas of area-wide concern, such as human services.

***POS 3173 SOUTHERN POLITICS*** (3)  
Examines changes in electoral politics in the South, and the role of interest groups and the state and federal government in facilitating change.

***POS 3182 FLORIDA POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT*** (3)  
A study of Florida political culture, political parties and elections, the legislative, executive, and judicial systems, and policy patterns.

***POS 3273 PRACTICAL POLITICS*** (3)  
PR: POS 2041 or POS 3453 or CI. Coordinated scholarly and practical activity through class lecture and supervised field work in local political parties and election campaigns.

***POS 3283 JUDICIAL PROCESS AND POLITICS*** (3)  
The organization, development, and functioning of American court systems and the causes and consequences of judicial behavior from an empirical perspective.

***POS 3453 POLITICAL PARTIES AND INTEREST GROUPS*** (3)  
Analysis and understanding of role, functions, structure, and composition of such, and their impact on American governmental institutions.

***POS 3691 INTRODUCTION TO LAW AND POLITICS*** (3)  
Nature of law, legal process, relationship to political life of constitutional law, administrative law, the judicial process, and private law.

***POS 3697 ENVIRONMENTAL LAW*** (3)  
This course examines some of the major issues involving environmental law. Specially, the course provides a survey and analysis of statutes, both state and federal, regulating water, air, soil pollution, and resource conservation and recovery. The course will also address questions pertaining to problems of implementation, interpretation, enforcement, and development of environmental laws.

***POS 3713 EMPIRICAL POLITICAL ANALYSIS*** (3)  
Fundamentals of empirical political inquiry: systematic data collection and quantitative analysis techniques. Laboratory exercises using the computer are required.

***POS 3931 SELECTED TOPICS*** (3)  
Selected topics in political science with course content based upon student demand and instructor's interest. May be repeated for up to 6 credits as topics vary.

***POS 4165 COMMUNITY LEADERS AND POLITICS*** (3)  
Analysis of the roles and powers of mayors, city managers, council members, and interest and ethnic groups; distribution of community power.

***POS 4204 POLITICAL BEHAVIOR, PUBLIC OPINION, AND ELECTIONS*** (3)  
Analysis of economic and socio-psychological factors influencing mass and elite political behavior; voting behavior, public opinion, and political activism.

***POS 4413 THE AMERICAN PRESIDENCY-6A*** (3)  
The presidency as a political institution; analysis of powers; legislative, administrative, political, and foreign policy leadership; crisis management and decision making; White House staffing; limits on power.

***POS 4424 THE AMERICAN CONGRESS*** (3)  
Organization, procedures, committee system, party leadership, relations with governmental and nongovernmental organizations and agencies, oversight, decision-making processes, House/Senate comparisons.

***POS 4614 CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I*** (3)  
PR: POS 2041. Leading social problems, principle institutions, and the scope of powers. Analysis of Supreme Court decisions, scholarly commentaries, and the writings of leading public figures.

***POS 4624 CONSTITUTIONAL LAW II*** (3)  
PR: POS 2041. Analysis of Supreme Court decisions and scholarly commentaries on the constitutional rights of individuals.

***POS 4693 WOMEN AND LAW I*** (3)  
Introduction to issues concerning the legal aspects of sex and sex-based discrimination as embodied in statutory and case law, focusing on constitutional and family law and reproductive freedom issues. (May also be taken for credit in Women's Studies.)

***POS 4694 WOMEN AND LAW II*** (3)  
PR: POS 4693 or CI. Legal position of women in American society and remedies available to challenge current laws and practices, with specific emphasis on employment and education issues as they relate to both women and men. (May also be taken for credit in Women's Studies.)

***POS 4905 INDEPENDENT STUDY*** (1-3)  
PR: 3.0 average in Political Science and CI. Specialized study determined by the student's needs and interests. (S/U only.)

***POS 4910 INDIVIDUAL RESEARCH*** (1-3)  
PR: 3.0 average in Political Science and CI. Investigation of some aspect of political science culminating in the preparation of an original research paper.

***POS 4936 SENIOR SEMINAR*** (3)  
PR: Senior standing and CI. An opportunity to work with others in a seminar format, exploring specialized topics.

***POS 4941 FIELD WORK*** (3)  
PR: 3.0 average in Political Science and CI. Opportunity for students to obtain practical experience as aides to agencies of government and political parties.

***POS 4970 HONOR THESIS*** (3)  
PR: Admission to Honor option. Writing of honor thesis under direction of faculty members.

***POS 5094 ISSUES IN AMERICAN NATIONAL AND STATE GOVERNMENT*** (3)  
Selected topics of study in American government. May be repeated for credit as topics vary.

***POS 5155 ISSUES IN URBAN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS*** (3)  
Selected issues and topics in Urban Government and politics. May be repeated for credit as topics vary.

***POS 5736 POLITICAL RESEARCH METHODS*** (3)  
A survey of methods, problems, and issues in political research and analysis for the advanced student.

**POT 3003 INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL THEORY** (3)  
Examines various kinds of theory used in political science for understanding political life: normative theory, empirical theory, historicist theory, analytical theory, and critical theory.

**POT 3013 CLASSICAL POLITICAL THEORY** (3)  
Analysis of basic ideas of Plato, Aristotle, Cicero, St. Thomas, and other leading pre-modern political philosophers.

**POT 4054 MODERN POLITICAL THEORY** (3)  
Analysis of basic political ideas of Machiavelli, Hobbes, Locke, Rousseau, Burke, and other modern philosophers.

**POT 4064 CONTEMPORARY POLITICAL THOUGHT** (3)  
Examines various political views and political phenomena in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Diverse theoretical types and salient political phenomena will be presented.

**POT 4109 POLITICS AND LITERATURE** (3)  
Critical examination of the connections between politics and literature.

**POT 4204 AMERICAN POLITICAL THOUGHT** (3)  
Examines political writings in the U.S. and responses to critical periods in history, beginning with the Founding Fathers, and culminating in recent contributions and understanding contemporary political problems and solutions.

**POT 4661 THE POLITICS OF IDENTITY, DIFFERENCE AND INEQUALITY** (3)  
PR: POT 3003. An analysis of how relationships of social identity and difference become the basis of social, political and economic inequality in modern society. It incorporates both contemporary and "classical" discussions of inequality.

**POT 4936 SELECTED TOPICS IN POLITICAL THEORY** (3)  
Selected topics or thinkers in political theory.

**POT 5626 ISSUES IN POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY AND LAW** (3)  
PR: Graduate or senior standing and CI. Selected topics in political philosophy and law. May be repeated as topics vary.

**PUP 3313 BLACKS IN THE AMERICAN POLITICAL PROCESS** (3)  
An examination of the political experience of Blacks in the American political process including their political socialization, and struggle to become effective participants in the American political process. (May also be taken for credit in Africana Studies.)

**PUP 4002 PUBLIC POLICY** (3)  
Examines the formation and implementation of public policy in areas such as the economy, health, etc.

***PUP 4203 ENVIRONMENTAL POLITICS AND POLICY*** (3)  
Examines the politics of environmental issues, formation and implementation of environmental policy.

***PUP 4323 WOMEN AND POLITICS*** (3)  
An analysis of the impact of gender on power and influence in American society, and women's changing role in the political process. (May also be taken for credit in Women's Studies.)

***PUP 5607 PUBLIC POLICY AND HEALTH CARE*** (3)  
The study of health care policy as it relates to the policy process in the American setting.

***URP 4050 CITY PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT*** (3)  
An introduction to the development, role, and components of city planning, and the political and actual policies of government in attempting to regulate or control urbanization.