Requirements for the Gender and Politics Concentration

The Gender and Politics concentration requires 30 hours of coursework, including the following:

**Core courses - 9 hours**

- POLS 5760 Feminist theory
- POLS 5770 Feminist epistemology
- POLS 5150 Gender and American Politics

**Research methods - 3 hours**

- POLS 5020 Advanced Topics in Research Methods

**Other required courses in gender or race - 12 hours. Choose from:**

- POLS 5130 American Race Relations
- POLS 5580 Islam and Gender
- POLS 5710 Citizenship and Social Difference
- POLS 5780 Leadership and Culture
- POLS 5750 American Political Thought: Meanings of Citizenship
- Other courses approved by the Graduate Coordinator

**Political Science electives - 6 hours**

- 6 hours of electives, which may be in the form of an internship or M.A. thesis
- Courses from outside Political Science and Women's Studies require approval of the Director of Graduate Studies.

**Field exam - 0 hours, taken at the start of the final semester of coursework**

All students need 30 credit hours for the degree. No more than 12 hours of the M.A. may be taken outside Political Science; no more than 6 hours may be taken at the 4000-level; and no more than 6 hours may be independent study classes or internships.

Some classes have prerequisites. Depending on their undergraduate preparation, students may be required to take specific undergraduate classes prior to enrolling in graduate classes.

Exceptions will be allowed only with the approval of the Coordinator of Graduate Studies for the department.