The Political Journalism interdisciplinary minor promotes skills in analysis of political phenomena and the effective communication of ideas through a variety of platforms. The interdisciplinary minor is suitable for students interested in journalism, public relations in governmental or political organizations, or work on political campaigns.

**Required foundational courses - 13 credits**
- CMM 2500: Media Lab - 1 credit
- CMM 2100: Journalism: Newswriting - 3 credits
- CMM 4100: Multiplatform Journalism - 3 credits
- POLS 1100: Introduction to American Government - 3 credits
- POLS 1600: Introduction to International Politics - 3 credits

**Electives - 12 credits**
Six credits of Communication electives. Pick from:
- CMM 3060: Political Communication
- CMM 3110: Feature Writing
- CMM 3130: Editorial & Opinion Writing
- CMM 3420: Literary Journalism
- CMM 4160: Editing
- CMM 4420: Theory of Free Expression
- CMM 4470: Media and Politics

Six credits of Political Science electives. Pick from:
- POLS 1200: American State & Local Politics
- POLS 1510: Politics of Developing World
- POLS 2120: The American Congress
- POLS 2140: American Presidency
- POLS 2150: Black Politics
- POLS 2160: Campaigns & Elections
- POLS 2520: Introduction to African Politics
- POLS 2530: Soviet & Post Soviet Politics
- POLS 2540: Ethnicity and Internal War
- POLS 2550: Political Systems of the Sub-Sahara
- POLS 2560: Politics of Asia
- POLS 2570: Introduction to Latin American Politics
- POLS 2600: Introduction to International Political Economy
- POLS 2640: International Terrorism
- POLS 2650: War & Peace in the Middle East
- POLS 2660: Middle East in International Politics
- POLS 3130: Civil Rights & Civil Liberties
- POLS 3140: Public Opinion & Mass Communication
- POLS 3150: American Presidential Elections
- POLS 3200: Women & Political Leadership
- POLS 3500: Asian Miracles
- POLS 3600: Problems of Globalization
- POLS 3620: International Organization & the Management of World Problems
- POLS 3650: International Relations of Africa
- POLS 3740: Capitalism, Racism, Patriarchy: Theorizing Structural Power
- POLS 3850: Feminism in Action
- POLS 3860: Global & Transnational Feminism

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