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Political Science Registration Information

Spring 2019

Requirements for the Political Science Major

- One class in each of four subfields American politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations, Political Thought
- Methods
- Two seminars
- Four electives
- 34 hours total. Majors may not count more than 4 1000-level courses toward the major. Majors may not count more than 6 hours of independent study or internship work toward the major. Majors must complete at least 4 3000-level or higher classes. Only 15 hours of transfer credit can apply to the major.

Concentrations

- International affairs
- Public Law
- Public Policy

A concentration is optional in the political science major. Concentrations have the same number of credit hours as the general major, though the requirements differ. See the department website. There are also handouts near McGannon 139.

Spring 2019 classes that fulfill distribution requirements for the Political Science major

- American Politics
 - POLS 1150 American Political System (Dr. Cate)
- Comparative Politics
 - POLS 2560 Politics of Asia (Dr. Katagiri)
- International Relations
 - POLS 1600 Introduction to International Politics (Rachel Santon or Dr. Royer)
 - POLS 2820 American Foreign Policy (Dr. Royer)
 - POLS 3650 International Relations of Africa (Dr. Uwalaka)
- Political Thought
 - POLS 2700 Issues in Political Philosophy (Dr. Duncan)
 - POLS 3710 Ancient and Medieval Political Theory (Dr. Groff)

Don't delay taking Methods!

- Dr. Steven Rogers
- MWF 9-9:50am, with a lab on Thursday 3:45-6:45
- Students will learn how to construct, analyze, and criticize important questions relating to political science
- Students will learn about the process of inferential inquiry common to all the social sciences

Internships

- Internships give you the opportunity to apply your learning in the world and investigate career options.
- If you are interested in an internship, see Dr. Cropf as soon as possible!
 - E-mail <u>Robert.Cropf@slu.edu</u> for an appointment
- Paperwork for internships needs to be completed including by the internship site – two weeks before the start of the semester.
- There is information on internships on the department website, under "Student Resources."

Spring courses that meet diversity requirements

Diversity in the U.S.

- POLS 2200 U.S. State and Urban Politics (Dr. Cropf)
- POLS 2930 American Places: Sites of Race Riots and Rebellions (Cicely Hunter)
- POLS 3130 Civil Liberties and Civil Rights (Dr. Hazelton)

Global Citizenship

- POLS 1600 Introduction to International Politics (Rachel Santon or Dr. Royer)
- POLS 2560 Politics of Asia (Dr. Katagiri)
- POLS 3650 International Relations of Africa (Dr. Uwalaka)

Spring courses that meet other core requirements

Philosophy 3000-level or above

- POLS 3710 Ancient and Medieval Classics in Political Thought (Dr. Groff)
- POLS 3740 Capitalism, Racism, Patriarchy: Theorizing Structural Power (Dr. Groff)

Theology 2000-level requirement

POLS 2930 Politics of Pope Francis (Dr. McCormick)

International Studies

- See Dr. Bowen about internships.
- Talk to your mentors to make sure that you are meeting all requirements.
- Students meeting the new major requirements may want to take ANTH 2200 Cultural Anthropology (MWF 1:10-2)
- Don't delay taking language classes!
- The new minor has been approved to start in Fall 2019. Students may complete the minor as a contract minor this academic year.

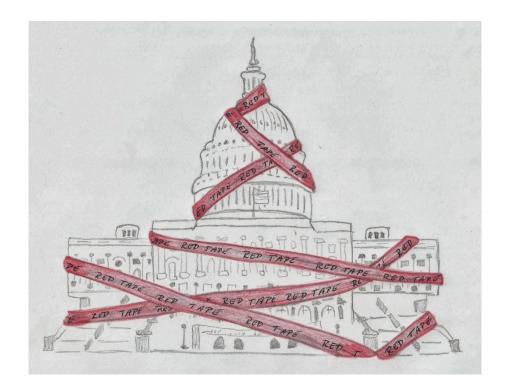
Information on Selected Courses

POLS 1600, Introduction to International Politics, Spring 2019

This course examines the complexities of the international system and the growing number actors that participate in this system. A particular emphasis is placed on anarchy and its effects on the behavior of state and non-state actors alike. We will explore issues related to international law, the global economy and globalization, the effectiveness of international organizations, the changing nature of global violence, international peacebuilding and state-building, and transnational issues that threaten state sovereignty in an increasingly interconnected world. To link this course to current challenges and competing theoretical perspectives, a special focus is placed on North Korea's nuclear and ballistic missile program, the tit-for-tat tariffs between the United States and China, Syria's protracted civil war, and the growing diffusion of political, economic, and military power in a limited unipolar (or possible "apolar") international system.







Coming this Spring! Public Administration – POLS 2300 Tuesdays and Thursdays – 12:45-2:00pm Professor Warren

POLS 2560: Politics of Asia

Take this class to study politics, economy, and security affairs of East and South Asia. Discuss North Korea, China, Japan, Singapore, India, and of course, Trump's Asia policy. No-prereq.



T/Th: 2-330PM, Professor Nori Katagiri

POLS 2700 Issues in Political Philosophy: Human Nature and Politics

- From a social and philosophical perspective, what does it mean to be human?
- What kind of political order is properly suited and sustainable for human habitation?
- Readings from the ancients to contemporary thinkers

- Dr. Chris Duncan
- **TR 9:30-10:45**
- Fulfills the major theory requirement



POLS 2820, American Foreign Policy, Spring 2019

This course examines the intricacies of American foreign policy through multiple theoretical and applied frameworks. What are the competing currents in American foreign policy? In what ways has American foreign policy evolved? Has American foreign policy changed significantly merely because there is a different occupant of the White House, Trump rather than Obama? A particular emphasis is placed on exploring major international issues confronting the United States since the end of the Cold War, including terrorism, nuclear proliferation, international cooperation, global governance, and a growing diffusion of power (e.g., the rise of China and an increasingly bellicose Russia) in the international system. Is there any central foreign policy doctrine or concept - a grand plan - that can provide the United States with the kind of compass for navigating the post-Cold War era that "containment" provided during the Cold War? Should the goal even be to establish a new grand strategy?



The Politics of Pope Francis

This course considers how Francis' papacy exemplifies the strengths and limitations of the Church as an agent for political change, with a focus on the sex abuse scandal.



POLS/THEO 2930 // MW, 2:10-3:25

Prof Wm McCormick, SJ

Cross-listed with Theology Catholic Studies Attribute Satisfies A&S Social Science Requirement



Civil Liberties & Civil Rights (POLS 3130) Professor Hazelton Tu & Th 11:00-12:15



Al Drago/ The New York Times

- Focuses on major areas of conflicts over constitutional rights, including:
 - Religion
 - Speech
 - Right to Bear Arms
 - Discrimination
- Fulfills the Diversity in the U.S. Requirement



Seminars

- Two seminars are required for the political science major. Juniors and seniors may sign up for seminars. Students must have completed methods and at least one previous course in the same subfield.
- POLS 4126 Sexuality and the Law
 - MW 3:10-4:25pm, Dr.Weiss and Marcia McCormick
- POLS 4174 Law, Policy, Society
 - T 4:15-7pm, Dr. Hazelton, American politics
- POLS 4325 Public Sector Budgeting
 - W 4:15-7pm, Dr. Cropf, American politics
- POLS 4650 War, Peace, and Politics
 - T 7:15-10pm, Dr. Katagiri, international relations
- POLS 4750 American Political Thought
 - M 4:15-7pm, Dr. Moskop, political thought
- POLS 4930 Democratic Erosion
 - R 4:15-7pm, Dr. Royer, comparative

Information on Selected Seminars

Law, Policy & Society (POLS 4171/5171) Professor Hazelton Tu 4:15 – 7:00

Confronting important questions, including:

- When, how, and why do judges make policy?
- To what extent do interest groups affect change through the courts?
- To what extent does the legal system enforce or disrupt inequalities in society?
- Senior Seminar



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POLS 4650/5650: War, Peace, and Politics

Take this class to study cyber security, terrorism, humanitarian intervention, nuclear proliferation, causes of war/peace, among other topics



Tuesdays: 715--1000PM, Professor Nori Katagiri

American Political Thought: Meanings of Citizenship

- POLS 4750/5750, WGST 5930, ASTD 5930
- Spring 2019, Monday 4:15-7 pm
- Dr.Wynne Moskop

The Verdict of the People (George Caleb Bingham, 1854, Saint Louis Art Museum) depicts a frontier town as election results are read.

The painting maps in physical space the relation of the voters in the street—white male citizens of all classes, some sober, some drunk—to groups in the margins of the painting: A black slave pushing a wheel barrow through the revelry, and a group of women clustered on a hotel balcony high above the raucous crowd in the street.



Like Bingham's painting, this course questions what citizenship means, and how it looks, to people in different social groups, including women, Black Americans, new immigrants, and Native Americans. We consider:

- Who are citizens?
- > What entitles them to citizenship?
- > What persons are not considered citizens? Why not?
- How do laws, policies, and social practices differentiate noncitizens from citizens?

We study ideas, issues, and social and political institutions that have been central to the theory and practice of American constitutionalism from the founding era to the present.

Readings include both well-known works by framers and presidents, such as Thomas Jefferson, Federalist and Antifederalist writers, and Abraham Lincoln, and works by those who testify when citizenship is not inclusive, such as Frederick Douglass, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, W.E.B. DuBois, Anna Julia Cooper, and Jane Addams.

Primary sources are supplemented by literature, court cases, and contemporary analyses.

POLS 4930/5930, Democratic Erosion, Spring 2019

This course has its origins in a cross-university collaboration meant to help students critically and systematically evaluate the risks to democracy in today's era of globalization, financial crises, and the rise of populism in the West. Is American democracy really under threat? What about democracy in the West, or the world, more generally? If democracy is indeed under threat, what can we do about it? And if it's not under threat, why are so many of us so worried that it is? This course aims to help answer these questions. An emphasis is placed on exploring competing definitions of democracy and theories of democratization, definitions and theories of democratic erosion, as well as the substantive themes, such as the use and abuses of democratic institutions, populism and demagoguery, propaganda, disinformation, and the media, polarization, scapegoating, and resistance.



Seminars

Qualified majors may substitute Political Science graduate classes for one or more of the required seminars

- POLS 5020 Advanced Topics in Research Methods Wednesday 7:15-10pm, Dr. Nanes
- POLS 6310 Policy Process Monday 7:15-10pm, Dr. Gilsinan

Accelerated BA-MA in Political Science

- Easy application, no fee, no standardized test
- Up to four classes taken at the graduate level count toward both the BA and the MA.
- Talk with Dr. Wynne Moskop, Director of Graduate Studies
- You can apply in the second semester of your sophomore year

Meet with your department mentor

Registration starts November 5