Spring 2020

Political Science Registration Information
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 2020 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 (Dr. Uwalaka or Dr. Nanes)
  - POLS 2640 International Terrorism (Dr. Nanes)
  - POLS 3640 International Law (Dr. Uwalaka)

- **Political Thought**
  - POLS 2700 Issues in Political Philosophy (Dr. Groff)
  - POLS 3710 Ancient and Medieval Political Theory (Dr. McCormick)
Don’t delay taking Methods!

- Dr. Ali Fisunoglu
- TR, 12:45-2:00, 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 Robert.Cropf@slu.edu 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 3330 Metropolitan Environment (Dr. Gilsinan)
  - POLS 3800 The Structure of Poverty (Dr. Arnold)

- Global Citizenship
  - POLS 1600 Introduction to International Politics (Dr. Uwalaka or Dr. Nanes)
  - POLS 2560 Politics of Asia (Dr. Katagiri)
  - POLS 2600 Introduction to International Political Economy (Dr. Fisunoglu)
  - POLS 3860 Global and Transnational Feminism (Dr. Izzo)
Spring courses that meet other core requirements

- Philosophy 3000-level or above
  - POLS 3710 Ancient and Medieval Classics in Political Thought (Dr. Groff)
International Studies

- See Dr. Katagiri 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 (TR 9:30-10:45)
- Don’t delay taking language classes!
- The new minor has been approved.
Law, Religion & Politics Minor

Contact Dr. Hazelton

- Analyze and compare legal norms, theory, and practice.
- Understand justice, equity, and human dignity.
- Strengthen skills of analysis and oral argumentation.
- Gain experience through an internship.
Information on Selected Courses
Introduction to International Politics
Spring 2020
POLS 1600-02
MW, 3:30-4:45
CRN: 26578
Dr. Uwalaka
emmanuel.uwalaka@slu.edu

This class fulfills the Global Citizenship, Political Science and International Studies Majors, and Foreign Service Minor requirements
The American Constitution (POLS 2100)
Professor Hazelton
MWF 11:00-11:50

• Learn about the Constitution and interpretations of it.
• Topics include:
  – Congressional Powers
  – Impeachment
  – Judicial Review
  – Federalism
• Public Law Core Class
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.

M/W: 210-325PM, Professor Nori Katagiri
Introduction to International Political Economy

Dr. Ali Fisunoglu, Tuesdays and Thursdays 11.00 to 12.15

Should you be taking this class?

Pros

$ Explains how international politics and economics affect domestic politics and economics (and vice versa).

$ Will make you the most knowledgeable person in most rooms on the following topics:

  $ Trade, foreign direct investment, exchange rates, interest rates, outsourcing, financial crises, immigration…

$ Uses, among others, the Smurfs’ Village and Batman to explain some major theories.

$ Fulfills the Global Citizenship and Social Sciences requirement for the college core and the IR requirement for the major in Political Science.

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POLS 2640: International Terrorism

• What is terrorism, who uses it, and why?
• Is suicide terrorism rational?
• How can governments defeat terrorism?
• How does global security in 2020 differ from past eras?
• What are the most relevant terrorist groups, and what do they want?

Professor Matthew Nanes
matthew.nanes@slu.edu
The Metropolitan Environment
Pols 3330 M/W/F
12:00 – 12:50

You can’t understand today’s headlines without understanding the importance of place
– Immigration
– Crime
– Education
– Climate Change
– Homelessness

All require an understanding of the metropolitan environment and how it got that way

Pols 3330 explores these issues and the influence of place on how you became you!
International Law

Spring 2020
POLS 3640
MWF, 12:00-12:50
CRN: 26590
Dr. Uwalaka
emmanuel.uwalaka@slu.edu

Why do states obey international law?

Register to learn.

This class fulfills the Political Science, International Studies Majors, and Foreign Service Minor requirements.
Ancient & Mediaeval Political Thought

Read Great Texts:
Plato
Aristotle
The Bible
Augustine
Gelasius
Aquinas

Study Classic Themes:
Happiness and Politics
Knowledge and Virtue
Faith and Reason
The City and Philosophy
Empire and Nation-State
Church and State

POL 3710/PHIL 4360
Catholic Studies & Mediaeval Studies Attributes
MWF, 1:10-2p
Bill McCormick, SJ // mccormickw@slu.edu
American Political Movements

Dr. Sarah Cate
POLS 3930
T/Th 2:15 – 3:30pm

- Periodically American politics breaks from its routine of interest group lobbying and elections and fundamental questions about power and democracy are posed.

- What is the source of these periodic upheavals in American politics?

- What do the successes and failures of social movements tell us more generally about the possibilities and limits for democratic and social reform in the United States?
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 4140 Political Parties**
  - R, 4:15-7pm, Dr. Rogers, American

- **POLS 4650 War, Peace, and Politics**
  - M, 7:15-10pm, Dr. Katagiri, International Relations

- **POLS 4730 Contemporary Political Ideologies**
  - W, 4:15-7pm, Dr. Moskop, Political Thought

- **POLS 4390 Religion and Law**
  - M, 4:15-7pm, Dr. Flanders

- **POLS 4390 Politics of Economic Development**
  - T, 7:15-10pm, Dr. Bowen, Comparative
POLS 4140

Political Parties

How do voters develop their partisanship?
Why is America so polarized?
What is parties role in elections?

Prof. Rogers    Thur. 4:15 - 7pm
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.

Mondays: 715--1000PM, Professor Nori Katagiri
POLS 4730/5730 Seminar: Contemporary Political Ideologies
Wednesday 4:15-7 pm, Dr. Wynne Moskop, wynne.moskop@slu.edu

- What are ideologies, and how do they operate in everyday life? In policy debates?
- Who is served by particular ideologies?
- Why is an understanding of ideologies important for us as citizens who work for justice in our communities and around the world?

“The study of ideologies explores actually existing forms of political thought—whether present or past” (Michael Freeden). These forms include familiar “isms”--such as liberalism, conservatism, socialism, fascism, nationalism, feminism, ecologism—newer ideologies such as neoliberalism and globalism, and contemporary social movements.

Students examine selected ideologies and develop their own research project. The course satisfies: 1) a senior seminar requirement for the POLS major, and 2) the political theory requirement for POLS MA concentrations in both International Affairs and Public Policy and Administration.
POLS 4930: RELIGION AND THE LAW
Professor Chad Flanders, J.D., Ph.D.

• Can a town put a cross in the public square? Can it punish a baker for refusing to bake a cake for a same-sex wedding? And what is a “religion,” anyway, so that it might deserve special treatment under the law?

• This course will look at the history of the so-called “religion clauses” of the First Amendment as interpreted by the United States Supreme Court. Topics include: defining religion, the scope of religious accommodations, and the limits of state support for religion. How do we draw the line between “church” and “state”? How should we?
Seminars

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

  - POLS 6320 Organization Theory & Behavior
    - Monday 4:15-7pm, Dr. Gilsinan

  - POLS 6330 Public Finance Theory
    - Tuesday 4:15-7pm, Dr. Cropf
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 4