

Minor in Political Science

21 units

Requirements

Select seven courses (21 units total), of which no more than 6 units may be in common with the student's major.

The Department of History and Political Science maintains the following requirements for each of the minors it offers:

1. Students must complete all prerequisites for any HIST or POLI course with a C- or better before taking the course (except as noted in the course description).
2. Students must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 in all political science and history courses required for the minor.
3. Students must complete each HIST or POLI course with a C- or higher for the course to meet a degree requirement in the Department of History and Political Science.

Code	Title	Units
Core Courses		
POLI 150	American Government ¹	3
POLI 160	Introduction to Politics	3
Select one of the following:		3
POLI 180	Intro to International Relations	
POLI 220	State and Local Government	
POLI 250	Introduction to Criminal Law	
POLI 260	Introduction to Legal Transactions	
Elective Courses		
Select a minimum of four of the following:		12
HIST 334	History of American Foreign Affairs	
POLI 310	Political Geography	
POLI 320	Comparative Politics	
POLI 325	Seminar in International Relations	
POLI 350	Constitutional Law: Fundamental Freedoms	
POLI 351	Constitutional Law: Criminal Justice	
POLI 352	Constitutional Law: National Powers	
POLI 353	Seminar on Legal Studies	
POLI 360	Classical Political Thought	
POLI 363	Modern Political Thought	
POLI 376	The American Founding	
POLI 380	Terrorism and Counterterrorism	
POLI 381	Theories of International Relations	
POLI 382	Diplomacy and Foreign Policy	
POLI 383	National Security	
POLI 385	Politics of Developing Countries	
POLI 390	History and Politics of the Non-Western World	
POLI 399	Political Science Practicum	
POLI 400	Seminar on American Politics	
POLI 405	The American Presidency	
POLI 410	Congress	
POLI 415	The Federal Judiciary	
POLI 420	Women in Politics	
POLI 421	Regional Studies	
POLI 422	International Organizations	
POLI 450	Principles and Practice of Research Design	

POLI 471	Political Topics
POLI 497	Readings
POLI 498	Directed Research
POLI 499	Thesis/Project

Total Units

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¹ Meets the General Education Civic Knowledge and Engagement requirement.

Program Learning Outcomes

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Students who successfully complete this program shall be able to:

1. American Government: Explain the principles, purposes, and main features of American government.
2. International Politics: Explain the main features of international politics.
3. Political Philosophy: Analyze the writing of major thinkers in the history of political philosophy.
4. Christian Foundation: Articulate a Christian understanding of politics and government.
5. Professional Writing: Demonstrate ability to write and cite sources to professional standards within the discipline.