

Political Science

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Programs

Undergraduate:

- B.A., Political Science**
 - Politics and Government Option
 - Public Policy and Management Option
 - Law and Society Option
- Minor in Political Science

Graduate:

- M.A., Political Science
- Special Session Sponsored Degree:
- M.P.A., Public Sector Management

The Major

The Political Science Department offers a major with 2 options (Politics and Government Option and Public Policy and Management Option), and a minor in Political Science, and participates in undergraduate interdisciplinary programs in African Studies, Asian Studies, Urban Studies and Planning, and Women's Studies. (For descriptions of these programs see African Studies, Asian Studies, Women's Studies, and Urban Studies and Planning).

The Political Science Department supports the concept of international education and encourages students to investigate opportunities for overseas study. Certain courses taken at CSU International Program Study Centers in foreign countries are equivalent to courses in the Department of Political Science and may be used to fulfill some of the requirements for degree options offered by the Department and/or certain general education requirements. Students should consult the International Programs Bulletin available in the Office of International and Exchange Programs, a departmental advisor, or the campus International Programs advisor for more information.

Academic Advisement

Students must consult with a faculty advisor regularly in planning their program and schedule. Faculty advisors are available during the semester at regularly scheduled office hours and by appointment. Students should come to the Department Office for the scheduled office hours of the faculty. Please inquire in the Department Office for the pre-law advisor, John Evans.

Student Learning Outcomes of the Undergraduate Program

Completion of a bachelor's degree in Political Science should provide the student with the basic concepts, theories, research methodology, and

empirical findings within the discipline of political science; a knowledge of Western and non-Western political systems, processes, values and patterns of interaction among these systems; an understanding of the political institutions through which public plans are formulated and implemented; and a working knowledge of research designs, measurement, computer-assisted data analyses, use of the Internet, and the ability to interpret the result of using these tools.

Careers

The major in political science is designed for students who: intend to pursue the study of law and enter the legal profession; intend to work for advanced degrees in political science or other related fields in preparation for university-level teaching; plan a career in public administration, public policy or government service; seek training for positions in the overseas agencies of the United States government, international governmental organizations, or private corporations; or wish to prepare for teaching in the secondary schools.

For Information about the Master of Public Administration Program, please see Public Administration listing in this catalog.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Arts Degree Major In Political Science (48 Units)

A. Politics and Government Option

This option offers a variety of courses in domestic and global politics and policy. The curriculum may be selected by students who a) wish a liberal arts education, or b) who desire to pursue graduate education in political science or other fields, such as law or c) who wish to enter government or d) who intend to teach in secondary schools.

1. Basic Requirements (12 Units)

POLS 372/L	Principles and Methods of Political Science and Lab (1/2)
POLS 350	Great Questions in Politics (3)
or POLS 411	Greek, Roman, and Medieval Political Theory (3)
or POLS 412	Modern Western Political Theory (3)
or POLS 413	American Political Thought
or POLS 414	Western Political Theory in the 20th Century (3)

Choose one of the following:

POLS 155	American Political Institutions (3)
POLS 355	American National, State, and Local Governments* (3)

Choose one of the following:

POLS 156	European and Comparative Government (3)
POLS 225	Elements of International Relations (3)

*Students will receive credit for either POLS 155 or 355, not both.

2. Advanced Upper Division Requirements (36 Units)

- Choose 3 courses in Domestic Politics and Policy (9 units)
- Choose 3 courses in Global Politics and Policy (9 units)
- Choose 6 courses in Domestic or Global or General Electives** (18 units)

** Courses in the Advanced Requirements Electives must include 2 proseminars, or one proseminar and one internship.

3. Advanced Courses

Domestic: 360, 380, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 413, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 455, 457A, 457B, 458, 460, 461, 462, 463, 465, 466, 467, 469/L, 471A, 471E, 471F

Global: 310, 321, 330, 332, 420A, 420B, 420C, 420D, 420E, 420F, 420G, 420H, 421, 422, 424, 426, 427A/L, 427B/L, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432A, 432B, 433A, 433C, 434A, 434B, 435A, 435B, 436A, 438, 439A, 439B, 448, 471B, 471C, 480, 481

General: 303, 321, 350, 372/L, 411, 412, 414, 415, 471D, 486SOC, 490CA, 494SOC, 496A-Z, 498A, 498B, 498C, 499A, 499B, 499C, 499RIA

B. Public Policy and Management Option

This option offers a variety of courses in public policy and management and allows students to form a thorough understanding of the political institutions through which public plans are formulated and implemented. The option may be selected by students who wish to prepare for careers in government, politics, and public offices within public, non-profit, or private sectors.

1. Basic Requirements (18 Units)

POLS 155	American Political Institutions (3)
or POLS 355	American Political Institutions (3)
POLS 156	Introduction to Comparative Politics (3)
or POLS 225	Elements of International Relations (3)
POLS 350	Great Questions in Politics (3)
POLS 360	Public Administration (3)
POLS 361	Introduction to Public Policy (3)
POLS 372/L	Principles and Methods of Political Science and Lab (1/2)

2. Advanced Requirements in Upper Division (30 Units)

Select 4 core courses from the following (12 units):

POLS 405	Process of Public Policy Formation (3)
POLS 406	Fundamentals of Policy Analysis (3)
POLS 407	Policy Implementation and Program Evaluation (3)
POLS 462	Ethics in Politics and Administration (3)
POLS 463	Public Personnel Administration (3)
POLS 465	Administrative Behavior (3)

Six Electives chosen from following (18 units)*:

Must include 471E and one Internship (498A-C)

POLS 404	Urban Politics (3)
POLS 428	International Organizations (3)
POLS 429	United States Foreign Policy (3)
POLS 458	Administrative Law (3)
POLS 460	Welfare Policy (3)
POLS 461	Environmental Policy (3)
POLS 464	Comparative Public Policy (3)
POLS 466	The Politics of Public Spending (3)
POLS 467	Urban Administration (3)
POLS 469/L	City Planning and Lab (2/1)
POLS 471E	Proseminar in Public Administration and Public Policy (3)
POLS 498A-C	Internship (1-6)

*Up to 6 units may be taken outside of the department with Chair approval.

C. Law and Society Option

This option offers students an in-depth study of public law and the philosophies upon which our legal system is based. The option may be selected by students who wish to pursue a career in law, prepare for careers in government, politics, and public offices within public, non-profit, or the private sector.

1. Basic Requirements (12 Units)

POLS 155	American Political Institutions (3)
or POLS 355	American Political Institutions (3)
POLS 156	Introduction to Comparative Politics (3)
or POLS 225	Elements of International Relations (3)
POLS 372/L	Principles and Methods of Political Science and Lab (1/2)

2. Advanced Requirements in Upper Division (36 Units)

Choose 3 courses in Domestic Politics and Policy (9 units)

Choose 3 courses in Global Politics and Policy (9 units)

Choose 2 Proseminars (471 A-F) (6 units)*

Choose 4 Electives: Must include two of the following: 450, 455, 457A, 457B;

May also include ENGL 407, PHIL 390, PHIL 446, PHIL 460, SOC 434 (12 units)

**Internship (486SOC or 498C), Model United Nations (427A/L or 427B/L), or a Service Learning Course may be substituted for 3 Units of 471.*

General Education: Students may not double count Political Science and GE courses. POLS 155 or 355 meets both major and Title 5 Requirement Courses in the major and all Title 5 and General Education courses must be taken for a letter grade. They may not be taken Credit/No Credit. POLS 155 or 355 partially fulfill Title 5 requirement.

Total Units in the Major	48
General Education Units	52
Additional Units	24
Total Units Required for the Degree	120

Minor in Political Science

The minor in political science is designed for students who wish to have a formal secondary area of concentration. A minor is not required for a baccalaureate degree.

1. Basic Requirements (6 Units)

Choose one of the following:

POLS 155	American Political Institutions (3)
POLS 355	American National, State, and Local Governments (3)

Choose one of the following:

POLS 156	European and Comparative Government (3)
POLS 225	Elements of International Relations* (3)

**Upper Division students should take POLS 355. Students will receive credit for only POLS 355, not both.*

2. Upper Division (18 Units)

3 courses in Domestic Politics and Policy: 9

3 courses in Global Politics and Policy: 9

(For courses see classification above)

Total Units Required for the Minor	24
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Requirements for the Master of Arts Degree

The graduate program in political science is a liberal arts program based upon superior undergraduate preparation. It requires a higher level of achievement, and places greater emphasis upon Independent Study and research than does the baccalaureate program. Department evaluation and approval is required for admission to either classified or unclassified graduate standing. Please see additional information regarding classification standing in the Graduate Programs and Requirements Section.

Areas of specialization offered are as follows:

American Government and Politics; Comparative Government; International Relations; Methodology; Political Theory; Public Policy and Administration; Public Law.

A. Admission Requirements for Classified status:

1. Completion of University requirements for admission to graduate standing.
2. Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Political Science or completion of "minimum equivalence."
3. Two letters of recommendation.
4. GPA of at least 3.25 in all undergraduate and graduate political science courses.
5. GPA of at least 3.25 in last 45 units of all course work.
6. Written statement by applicant indicating career objectives.

B. For Conditional Status:

1. Completion of minimum University requirement for admission to graduate standing.
2. Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Political Science or completion of "minimum equivalency."*
3. Two letters of recommendation.
4. GPA of at least 3.0 in all undergraduate and graduate political science courses.
5. GPA of at least 3.0 in last 45 units of all course work.
6. Written statement by applicant indicating career objectives. Exceptional cases which may not meet all the given requirements for minimum equivalency will be considered by the Graduate Committee on petition by the applicant. Specific reasons for the waiver of minimum equivalent requirement must be offered.

* *Minimum equivalency in lieu of Political Science major:*

- a. Completion of all lower division requirements in Political Science required of the major at CSUN.
- b. Completion of a course in research methods.
- c. Completion of an upper division course in political theory (411, 412, 414).
- d. Completion of an upper division course in 3 additional areas of Political Science (i.e. American Government, Comparative Government, International Relations, Public Law, Public Administration).
- e. Completion of an upper division proseminar in one of the 3 areas selected above.

Courses Acceptable for the Master's Degree:

(300-level courses in political science do not carry credit for the Master's in Political Science; all 400-level courses except 490, 498, 499 carry credit for Master's in Political Science). All 500 level graduate seminars in Political Science.

C. Reclassification From Conditional to Classified Status:

1. Completion of at least 9 units in Political Science at CSUN with at least 6 units in 500-level courses.
 - a. No credit or consideration will be given during the reclassification period for POLS 490, 498, 499, 598, or 599.
 - b. GPA of at least 3.25 in these 9 units.
2. Units taken beyond the 9 units will not count toward the master's degree program until the student formally petitions to be reclassified and is given classified status.
3. Completion of minimum University requirements for admission to graduate standing.

Students denied at least conditional status by the Department, if granted admission by the University, may attempt to make up deficiencies and to reapply for admission. However, no course work taken under this status will count toward the 30 units required for the master's degree. The following courses may not be used to remove deficiencies in GPA or course requirements: POLS 490, 498, 499, 598, 599.

D. Degree Requirements

1. Minimum of 30 units of approved graduate work comprised of:
 - a. POLS 570 (Seminar in Political Theory), POLS 571 (Seminar in Methodology)
 - b. 2 graduate seminars in each of 3 areas of political science (Comparative Politics, American Politics, and International Relations).
 - c. 6 additional units, of which may be at the 400 level. POLS 411, 412, 414, or 471D are not acceptable.

2. Comprehensive examination in two areas of political science selected by the student in consultation with an advisor. POLS 597
 - a. Subfield 1
 - b. Subfield

Foreign Language/statistics Recommendation:

In cases where appropriate to the student's fields of specialization and academic career goals, competence in a modern foreign language or in statistics may be recommended by the student's primary subject advisor and Examination Committee, in consultation with the student.

Total Units Required for the M.A.	30
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Course List**POLS 155. American Political Institutions (3)**

Examination of the development and dynamics of American political institutions and political processes including a special emphasis upon the role of minority groups. Satisfies the Title 5 United States Constitution requirement and the California State and Local Government requirement.

POLS 156. Introduction to Comparative Politics (3)

Introduction to the comparative study of government and politics. Its purpose is to familiarize students with the basic themes, concepts and theoretical approaches that are used by political scientists to explain governmental institutions and political processes in different regions of the world. (Available for General Education, Social Sciences)

POLS 197. Ethnic Politics (3)

Examination of the problems and politics of racial and national subgroups in America. Focuses on problems of ethnic identity, inequality and discrimination, and the impact of minority group politics upon public policy. (Available for General Education, Comparative Cultural Studies)

POLS 225. Elements of International Relations (3)

Analysis of the basic historical, geographical, economic, ideological and strategic factors which underlie and condition conflict and cooperation among actors in the contemporary international system. (Available for General Education, Social Sciences)

Upper Division

General prerequisites: six units of appropriate lower division courses in political science. Additional specific prerequisites as indicated.

POLS 310. Problems of Political Economy (3)

Study of the interaction of politics and economics in selected problem areas involving global, national and urban political economic systems. The political role of global corporations and the political dimensions of trade, taxation and budgeting are considered. (Available for General Education, Social Sciences)

POLS 321. Comparative Political Ideologies (3)

Examines, compare and contrast a range of political ideologies and their interpretation and application in contemporary societies. Attention is paid to defining the role and function of ideologies in specific contemporary states. (Available for General Education, Comparative Cultural Studies)

POLS 332. Politics of Latin America (3)

Introductory study of the politics of Latin America. Topics treated include dependency theory, revolution, the national security state, women in politics, theories of liberation, and redemocratization. Selected nations are used as case studies. (Available for General Education, Comparative Cultural Studies)

POLS 347. The Judicial Process (3)

Examination of the dynamics of the national and state judicial systems, with emphasis on the workings of the Supreme Court within American separation of powers; internal procedures of decision-making; external influences on the courts; the politics of selecting judges; and relations with other political institutions.

POLS 350. Great Questions in Politics (3)

Analysis of perennial political questions about power, authority, justice, equality and freedom. Materials include political and literary writings, films, case studies and legal cases. Aims throughout to relate these questions to contemporary political situations. (Available for General Education, Social Sciences)

POLS 355. American National, State and Local Governments (3)

Not open to students who have taken POLS 155. Detailed study of the structures and functions of the national government and California state and local governments. Special attention given to the legislative and executive branches in the policy-making and administrative processes as well as the constitutional bases for these processes. Satisfies the Title 5 United States Constitution requirement and the California State and local governments requirement.

POLS 360. Public Administration (3)

Analysis of the executive function in governmental processes together with a survey of the principles of administrative organization, personnel management, financial administration, and public relations. Problems and trends in government service as a career are discussed.

POLS 361. Introduction to Public Policy (3)

Introduction to public policy approaches, contexts, processes and outcomes.

POLS 372/L. Principles and Methods of Political Science and LAB (1/2)

Corequisite: POLS 372L. Study of the history, nature, and current developments of research in politics. One hour seminar; 4 hours methods activity.

POLS 380. Los Angeles: Past, Present, Future (3)

Multidisciplinary investigation of the Los Angeles urban area – its patterns of population and resources distribution; its historical, economic, social and cultural developments; and policies models designed to cope with its problems and to develop its potential as an ethnically diverse metropolis on the Pacific Rim. Application of social science methodology. Series of faculty and guest speakers, weekly discussion sessions, and field trips. (Crosslisted with HIST and URBS 380) (Available for General Education, Social Sciences)

POLS 403. State and Local Government (3)

Study of the political, administrative, and judicial systems of states, counties, cities, and special districts. Intergovernmental relations; functions; trends; current problems. Satisfies the Title 5 California state and local government requirement.

POLS 404. Urban Politics (3)

Study of the structures and processes which determine public priorities and programs in urban areas.

POLS 405. The Process of Public Policy Formation (3)

Preparatory: at least 1 upper division course in public administration or American government. Seminar examining several major areas of American public policy, explaining its formation and content by use of several analytic models: Policy areas studied may include civil rights, criminal justice, welfare, health, education, defense, and taxation.

POLS 406. Fundamentals of Policy Analysis (3)

Prerequisite: POLS 372/L. Systematic and critical approach to designing public policies. Integrates theory and social science techniques so students may apply the methods, models and tools of policy analysis to particular cases and problems that confront policy makers.

POLS 407. Policy Implementation and Program Evaluation (3)

Prerequisite: POLS 372/L. Overview of policy implementation and program evaluation, by looking at the strategies, the techniques and tools used most frequently by policy makers and evaluators. Students are introduced to the major theories and applications so as to be able to use the techniques of evaluation to assess projects and programs in terms of impact, process and cost.

POLS 411. Greek, Roman, and Medieval Political Theory (3)

Analysis of the major political theories and ideologies from the Sophists, Plato, and Aristotle through the Epicureans, Cynics, Stoics, Cicero, St. Augustine and Thomas Aquinas.

POLS 412. Modern Western Political Theory (3)

Analysis of the major political theories and ideologies from Machiavelli and the Renaissance through Hobbes, Locke, the Enlightenment, Rousseau, Burke and Marx. Regular written assignments required.

POLS 413. American Political Thought (3)

American political ideologies from the colonial period, through the Revolution and the period of the Constitution, to the end of the 19th century.

POLS 414. Western Political Theory in the 20th Century (3)

Study of major contemporary theories in Western Europe and the U.S. Included are such theorists as Sartre, Camus, Easton, Lasswell, Dewey, McLuhan, Marcuse, and Fanon, among other existentialists, behaviorists, Marxists, structuralists.

POLS 420A-H. International Relations of Selected Areas (3)

Intensive study of the international relations and impact on the world of nations or areas of special interest which are not included in other courses: (A) Latin America, (B) Western Europe, (C) Eastern Europe, (D) Middle East, (E) Africa, (F) South Asia, (G.) Southeast Asia and (H)Northeast Asia

POLS 421. The Politics of Development (3)

Examination and critical analysis of the problems, both internal and international, of countries that are undergoing political and economic modernization. Specific issue areas covered may include: human rights; the global economy; women in the global workplace; poverty and world hunger; environmental degradation; militarism. Selected countries are studied to determine historical trends in specific issue areas. Extensive examination of the paths and obstacles to world peace.

POLS 422. International Politics (3)

Advanced study of international politics from the standpoint of theories of international politics, individual, group and state behavior; the relation between continuity, conflict, and change in the international order; and an extensive examination of the paths and obstacles to world peace.

POLS 426. International Law (3)

Case studies of legal precedents affecting the regulation of the international community; together with an evaluation of the efficacy of international judicial sanctions.

POLS 427A/L. Model United Nations I and LAB (1/2)

Corequisite: POLS 427AL. Begins with a general analysis of the role of the U.N. in world politics and comparative foreign policy. Particular emphasis is then placed on the foreign policy of the country to be represented and the internal and external factors on which that policy is based. Seminar format with group presentations and simulations.

May not be repeated. (Offered in Fall semester) 1 hour seminar; 4 hours involving group presentations and simulations.

POLS 427B/L. Model United Nations II and Lab (1/2)

Prerequisite: POLS 427A/L; *instructor consent.* *Corequisite:* POLS 427BL. In-depth preparation of the delegation on the specific issues to be dealt with at the conference and to conduct an evaluation of the year's experience. May not be repeated. (Offered in Spring semester) 1 hour seminar; 4 hours involving group presentations and simulations.

POLS 428. International Organization (3)

Analysis of the roles of various types of international organizations in contemporary world politics. Focus is on the United Nations, specialized (functional) agencies, regional organizations, and non-governmental organizations such as multinational corporations, foundations, and other "transnationals."

POLS 429. United States Foreign Policy (3)

Analysis of the contemporary declaratory and action policies pursued by the U.S. in the conduct of its foreign relations. Various conceptual models such as ends/means analysis, decision-making, and economic determinist are tested and evaluated in terms of their descriptive, analytical and predictive utility.

POLS 430A-Z. Government and Politics of Selected Nations (3-3-3)

Intensive study of the governmental organization, domestic policies, and political structures of a major nation or group of nations which are not included in other courses. Topics vary from semester to semester. May be repeated twice for credit.

POLS 432A. Politics of Mexico (3)

Prerequisites: POLS 156 or 225 or *instructor's permission.* Study of the genesis and development of Mexico's political system. Examines the different interpretations of the Mexican political system and provides the background of the development of the modern Mexican state. Special emphasis in the contemporary challenges of contemporary Mexican politics including the rising participation of civil society, the evolution of the political institutions and processes, and the political impact of globalization and neoliberalism.

POLS 432B. Governments and Politics of South America (3)

General survey of the political structures of the South American states, with particular emphasis upon Argentina, Brazil, Chile, and Uruguay; institutional and non-institutional means of organizing political power; contemporary political trends within the region.

POLS 433A. The Politics of Central America (3)

Study of the politics of Central America emphasizing current socio-economic and political crises and U.S. involvement in those crises.

POLS 433C. The Church and Politics in Latin America (3)

Study of the role of the Catholic Church in contributing to change in the politics of Latin American societies. The Church will be viewed as a political value bearer as well as an evolving institution.

POLS 434A. Government and Politics of South Asia (3)

Study of contemporary problems, political organization and governmental institutions of India, Bangladesh, Pakistan, Afghanistan, Nepal and Sri Lanka. Special attention to the development of nationalism and the process of modernization in the region.

POLS 434B. Government and Politics of Southeast Asia (3)

Comparative analysis of political processes, political change, and major national problems (i.e., poverty, population, and foreign economic penetration) in selected Southeast Asian states: Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Burma, Thailand, Vietnam.

POLS 435A. Government and Politics of China (3)

Analysis of the People's Republic of China, including its ideology, revolutionary origin, party organization, central and local government, role of the military, mass participation, economic modernization, cultural policies, and foreign policy. Changes from the Maoist to the post-Mao period will be emphasized. The question of Taiwan will be discussed.

POLS 435B. Government and Politics of Japan (3)

Analysis of continuity and change in political economy, society, and culture; state institutions, political power, and political issues; political competition; key national issues, policies, and their outcomes.

POLS 436A. Government and Politics of Europe (3)

Comparative analysis of recent and contemporary European politics, focusing on the political, economic, and social structures that have shaped European Affairs since the end of World War II. Emphasis on the role played by the modern state, the interstate system, nationalism, and the world economy in shaping postwar European politics.

POLS 438. Governments and Politics of the Middle East (3)

Study of contemporary social and political movements, governmental institutions, and politics of the Arab states, Israel, and Iran.

POLS 439A. Government and Politics of Sub-Saharan Africa (3)

Study of the national governments, emerging political patterns, and problems of new states of west and east Africa. Study includes an overview of traditional societies and the politics of cultural sub-nationalism. Major focus on contemporary nationalism, modernization and ideological developments, and on single-party, military, and other political structures. Seminar format with individual presentations.

POLS 439B. Government and Politics of Southern Africa (3)

Study of the national political structures and international politics of southern Africa. Analysis focuses on the dynamics of race relations, African liberation movements, forms of government and politics, development of white and black nationalism, attempts at regional organization and international involvement in southern Africa. Seminar format with individual presentations.

POLS 440. American Political Parties and Politics (3)

Study of the rise of American political parties, their structure, operation, control, and political leadership.

POLS 441. Interest Groups (3)

Study of the tactics and aims of interest groups in their efforts to mold public opinion and to influence legislators, executives, judges, and administrators.

POLS 442. Government and Business (3)

Study of the exercise of public power to regulate business, industry, and agriculture; the significant effects of a federal system upon business enterprise; inquiry into "doctrines in competition" through the use of decisions of the United States Supreme Court.

POLS 443. The Legislative Process (3)

Detailed analysis of the structure, operations, and activities of the legislative bodies, including Congress, state legislatures, and municipal councils.

POLS 444. Elections and Voting Behavior (3)

Study of the electoral process in the U.S., presented in terms of the history of elections, election and campaign techniques, and patterns of voting behavior.

POLS 445. Political Behavior (3)

Introduction to political behavior; influences of culture; ideology and social structure on political life; group influences on political behavior and major factors in leadership; psychological bases of participation in normal and extreme politics.

POLS 446. The Presidency (3)

Analysis of the evolution of the Presidency since 1789, with regard to the President's role as party leader, chief administrator, chief legislator, and national symbol. Analysis of major characteristics of the Presidency, issues concerning the President's constitutional powers and limitations, his present responsibilities, and the political and administrative tools available.

POLS 448. Women and Politics in the United States and the World (3)

Examines feminist theories and public policies as they shape the various political possibilities and strategies for women in the U.S. and in other selected countries.

POLS 449. The Politics of Community Action (3)

Prerequisite: Upper Division standing. Examines the role of community organizing and community action as it translates into social movements and public policymaking. Students are required to perform either fieldwork or an internship and to integrate their experiences with literature and research on community organizing, social movements and/or public policy making for their final paper. Course will qualify as an internship to substitute for 1 of the two proseminars required for the Political Science major.

POLS 450. Jurisprudence (3)

Critical survey of the modern schools of jurisprudence and their treatment of law and such legal concepts and problems as obligation, responsibility, punishment, and the limits and purposes of law. The works of students of jurisprudence or legal philosophy are supplemented with descriptive accounts of the nature and operation of modern legal systems.

POLS 455. Criminal Procedures (3)

Critical examination of the law and practices of the criminal process. Emphasis on the major problems involved in pretrial procedures. These include search and seizure, self-incrimination, bail, plea bargaining, and the enforcement of constitutional rights.

POLS 457A. Constitutional Law I (3)

General principles of federal and state Constitutional Law; powers of the national government; federal-state relations. Study of the leading decisions of the United States Supreme Court.

POLS 457B. Constitutional Law II (3)

Limitations on the national government; the scope of constitutional rights and liberties. Study of the leading decisions of the United States Supreme Court.

POLS 458. Administrative Law (3)

Intensive study of the administrative process, with particular emphasis on legal requirements affecting administrative adjudication and rule-making.

POLS 460. Welfare State (3)

Introduction to the development of welfare policy and the evolution of the welfare state in western industrialized nations by inquiring into the philosophical and political debates surrounding social policy and its implementation.

POLS 461. Environmental Policy (3)

Study and evaluation of the political process governing the making of environmental policy. Specific issues covered include energy policy, land use, air and water pollution, and hazardous and toxic waste disposal.

POLS 462. Ethics in Politics and Administration (3)

Examination of the various kinds of ethical problems faced by elected and non-elected government personnel. Focus is on the scope and limits of individual responsibility in the practice of politics and the management of public organizations.

POLS 463. Public Personnel Administration (3)

Analysis of the decline of the spoils system and development of the civil service, and analysis of practices and problem issues concerning such topics as recruitment, position classification, fringes, morale, in-service training, public-service unions, and civil liberties of public employees.

POLS 464. Comparative Public Policy (3)

Examines why different nations formulate and implement different public policies for similar problems. Systematic and critical approach to understanding the effect of ideological orientations, political institutions, and governmental processes on the public policies of modern states.

POLS 465. Administrative Behavior (3)

Analysis of classic theories and case studies in administrative behavior; relations of organizational structure and personality types; survey of approaches to rationality in decision-making through study of the factors influencing administrative choices.

POLS 466. The Politics of Public Spending (3)

Critical analysis of how government financial policies are formulated and controlled within a setting of conflicting views and interests. Examines the influence of the system of checks and balances, the effects of cooperation between chief executives, administrators, budget bureaus, legislators, pressure groups, and the general public, and the impact of government spending on the private economy.

POLS 467. Urban Administration (3)

Analysis of public executives, including mayors, city managers, and chief administrative officers, and their relationships to the structures of urban government and the public priorities and programs of urban areas. Focus includes the executive's relationships with the formal structures, councils, civil servants, budgets, political parties, interest groups, independent agencies, the media, and other levels of governments.

POLS 469/L. City Planning and Lab (2/1)

Corequisite: 469L. Seminar which deals with the role of government in guiding the development of the urban physical environment. Nature, history, objectives, and methods of city planning. Organization for city planning. Political dynamics of policy formulation and control. Two hours seminar; two hours field activity.

POLS 471A-F. Proseminar (3)

Prerequisite: POLS 372/L. Intended for seniors only. (Juniors require instructor consent.) Advanced research in a subfield in Political Science. (A) American Government, (B) Comparative Government, (C) International Relations, (D) Political Theory, (E) Public Administration and Public Policy and (F) Public Law

POLS 480. The Politics of Globalization (3)

Prerequisite: Upper Division standing. Introduction to some of the major changes that have accompanied the processes of globalization over the last 30 years and to identify and assess the positive and negative consequences of these changes. Discussion of different approaches to globalization, its technical and historical roots, the economic, political, ethical and cultural consequences of globalization. The case of NAFTA and its 3 members, Canada, the U.S., and Mexico serve as a case study on which the class focuses to understand how the general trends of globalization take shape in a particular region.

POLS 481. Globalization, Gender and Democratization (3)

Prerequisite: Upper Division standing. Concerned with 3 major phenomena of the modern world; globalization, democratization, and feminization, their interrelationship, and their impact on gender regimes (or gender relationships) in various parts of the world. Incorporates gender analysis into a critical study of the processes of globalization and democratization. Identifies a number of gender regimes in the world and explore the economic, political, and interpersonal practices (including

globalization) that contribute to their stability or ability to change in various institutions.

POLS 486SOC. Social Science Career Internship (3)

Prerequisites: Upper Division standing in a social or behavioral sciences major, appropriate methods course as specified by the department; instructor consent. Social and behavioral sciences principles are applied to the work place. At least 10 hours per week of supervised fieldwork required. Students complete learning contracts and submit written reports related to their internships. (Crosslisted with GEOG, PAS, PSY, and SOC 486SOC) (See section on Academic Internships.)

POLS 490. Supervised Individual Projects (1)

Prerequisite: Instructor consent. Individual, supervised studies in selected areas of political science.

POLS 490CA. Supervised Individual Project-California Government (1)

Prerequisite: Instructor consent. Individual, supervised studies in California government. Satisfies the Title 5 California State and Local Government (requirement 3).

POLS 494I. Political Science Internship (3 units)

Prerequisite: Consent of instructor. Does not carry credit for Master's degree. Approximately 120 hours of supervised fieldwork required. Students complete learning contracts and submit written reports related to their internships. Students will meet as a seminar group with faculty member during the semester.

POLS 494J. Judicial Internship (3)

Prerequisite: Instructor Consent. Students are assigned to a Superior Court judge and observe the inner workings of the Los Angeles County Superior Court. Through observation of trials, settlement conferences, plea bargains, and preliminary hearings, students develop a familiarity with the processes of the judicial system and the issues facing the legal system.

POLS 496A-Z. Experimental Topics Courses in Political Science (3)

Selected topics in Political Science with course content to be determined.

POLS 499. Independent Study (1-6)

Prerequisite: Instructor consent. Does not carry credit for master's degree. (300-level courses do not carry credit for a master's degree. 400-level courses carry credit for a master's degree only if they are approved by the department.)

Graduate

Prospective students must consult with the Department to determine the status of the program before applying.

POLS 522A-G. Seminar in International Relations (3)

Prerequisite: Classified graduate status or consent of instructor. Inquiry into major contemporary theories in international relations, including treatment of the problems of theory building and testing. (A) Theory and Methodology, (B) International Law, (C) International Organizations, (D) Comparative Foreign Policies, (E) National Security Policies, (F) International Relations of Selected Areas and (G) Selected Topics

POLS 530A-J. Seminar in Comparative Government (3)

POLS 540A-J. Seminar in American Government and Politics (3)

Prerequisite: Classified graduate-status or instructor consent. Special studies in the institutions of American government and the operation of political parties.

POLS 560. Seminar in Public Administration Theory (3)

Prerequisite: Classified graduate status or instructor consent. Students study extensively the nature of public organizations and explore various analytical models, concepts, functions and techniques of administrative leadership, group dynamics and decision making which shape the procedures and policies of government in different administrative settings national, state, local, and cross-national.

POLS 570. Seminar in Political Theory (3)

Prerequisite: Open to graduate students in the Social and Behavioral sciences; instructor consent for upper division students. Graduate survey seminar course in political theory. Engages students in in-depth analysis of the arguments of some of the defining figures of political theory, both ancient and contemporary.

POLS 571. Seminar in Methodology (3)

Prerequisites: POLS 372/L; instructor consent. Study of representative literature in the field of Political Science with emphasis upon the underlying methodological assumptions, analysis of statistical techniques employed with respect to appropriateness, evaluation of research design and application, and evaluation of validity of conclusion, with recommendations for replication or improvement.

POLS 597. Directed Comprehensive Studies (3)

Open by special permission to students electing to do a comprehensive examination in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the degree Master of Arts.

POLS 599. Independent Study (1-6)

Prerequisite: instructor consent.