

## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### POLITICAL SCIENCE

<b>GEPO 150</b> <b>UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT - 3 semester hours</b> An introductory course in the study of the American political system.	<b>F,Sp</b>
<b>POLI 102</b> <b>STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT -3 semester hours</b> A study of the structure, operations, and functions of the state and local institutions of government.	<b>F,Sp,Su</b>
<b>POLI 201</b> <b>POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY - 3 semester hours</b> A study of the development of political thought from the Greek period through the Middle Ages.	<b>S</b>
<b>POLI 202</b> <b>CONTEMPORARY POLITICAL THOUGHT - 3 semester hours</b> A study of political thought from the end of the Middle Ages to the present.	<b>F</b>
<b>POLI 203</b> <b>GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS IN RUSSIA -3 semester hours</b> A study of the theory, organization, and administrative processes in the Russian political system.	<b>S</b>
<b>POLI 204</b> <b>MODERN AFRICA - 3 semester hours</b> A political and historical analysis of the problems of nation-states on the African continent, from 1945 to the present.	<b>F</b>
<b>POLI 205</b> <b>GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES - 3 semester hours</b> A study of the political and economic problems of underdeveloped countries in the Third World.	<b>S</b>
<b>POLI 206</b> <b>GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS OF CHINA - 3 semester hours</b> A study of the political ideologies, institutions, and decision-making processes in the People's Republic of China.	<b>S</b>
<b>POLI 207</b> <b>INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS - 3 semester hours</b> A study of the political, social, and economic dynamics of the present international system.	<b>F</b>
<b>POLI 208</b> <b>INTERNATIONAL LAW AND ORGANIZATION - 3 semester hours</b> A study of the origin, character, and principles of law that determine the duties and rights of nations in their relations.	<b>F</b>
<b>POLI 209</b> <b>PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION -3 semester hours</b> A study of the principles of public administration; structure, organization, and management in modern government with emphasis on the bureaucratic role in public policy formation.	<b>F,Sp,Su</b>
<b>POLI 210</b> <b>COMPARATIVE GOVERNMENT -3 semester hours</b> A comparative analysis of nation-states within the contemporary international system.	<b>Sp, Su</b>

<b>POLI 301</b> <b>THE SCOPE AND METHODS OF POLITICAL SCIENCE -</b> <b>3 credit hours</b>	<b>F</b>
Inquiry into the methodology, epistemology, and techniques of the discipline of political science.	
<b>POLI 302</b> <b>THE TECHNIQUES OF POLITICAL ANALYSIS - 3 semester hours</b>	<b>Sp</b>
A study of the research methodologies and techniques used in the study of political problems.	
<b>Prerequisite: POLI 301 The Scope and Methods of Political Science</b>	
<b>POLI 303</b> <b>POLITICAL PARTIES AND PRESSURE GROUPS - 3 semester hours</b>	<b>Sp</b>
A study of political parties and interest groups and their impact on public policy.	
<b>POLI 304</b> <b>AMERICAN CONSTITUTIONAL LAW - 3 semester hours</b>	<b>F</b>
A study of judicial interpretation, the nature of judicial review, selected leading decisions of the United States Supreme Court and their impact on the basic principles of government.	
<b>POLI 305</b> <b>SEMINAR IN BLACK POLITICS - 3 semester hours</b>	<b>Sp</b>
A study of the political impact of African-Americans in local, state, and national policy issues.	
<b>POLI 306</b> <b>SEMINAR IN URBAN PROBLEMS - 3 semester hours</b>	<b>F</b>
A study of the political, social, and economic problems affecting metropolitan communities.	
<b>POLI 307</b> <b>AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY - 3 semester hours</b>	<b>F</b>
A study of the formation, implementation, and implications of American foreign policy.	
<b>POLI 308</b> <b>POLIMETRICS I - 3 semester hours</b>	<b>F</b>
A study of statistical approaches in political science research, with emphasis on survey research and data analysis using the SPSS statistical analysis program.	
<b>Prerequisites: GEMA 112 Basic Mathematics; GEMA 113 Basic Mathematics; STAT 210 Elementary Statistics I</b>	
<b>POLI 309</b> <b>POLIMETRICS II - 3 semester hours</b>	<b>Sp</b>
A study of statistical approaches in political science research. Advance data analysis techniques, including univariate, bivariate, and multivariate analysis, and the testing of hypotheses.	
<b>Prerequisites: POLI 308 Polimetrics I</b>	
<b>POLI 310</b> <b>POLITICAL SCIENCE INTERNSHIP - 6 semester hours</b>	<b>Sp,Su</b>
Students provided with the opportunity to experience the workings of government, through placement in internships with various legislators, and public and private agencies.	
<b>Prerequisite: Minimum sophomore status, or approval of Department Chairperson</b>	
<b>POLI 315</b> <b>THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT - 3 semester hours</b>	<b>Sp</b>
A study of the political, social, and economic dimensions of the civil rights movement from 1954 to the present.	

**POLI 400**  
**SEMINAR IN LOCAL POLITICS - 3 semester hours** **Sp**  
A study of the dynamics of local politics. Seminar format that would include assigned readings, field research, lecture, and discussion.

**POLI 403**  
**SENIOR THESIS - 3 semester hours** **F**  
Execution of senior thesis research design, computer-based data analysis, and production of first draft of the senior thesis.  
**Prerequisites: POLI 301 The Scope and Methods of Political Science; POLI 302 The Techniques of Political Analysis**

**POLI 404**  
**SENIOR SEMINAR - 3 semester hours** **Sp**  
Production of final draft of senior thesis complete  
Production of final draft of senior thesis must be concluded by deadline date for submission of senior grades.  
Prerequisite: POLI 403 Senior Thesis

**POLI 408**  
**INDEPENDENT RESEARCH/STUDY - 3 semester hours** **Sp,Su**  
Opportunity to work on community issues, policy  
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faculty member.  
Prerequisite: Approval of Department Chairperson

**POLI 409**  
**CONSTITUTIONAL AND CIVIL LIBERTIES - 3 semester hours** **Sp**  
A study of the role of the Constitution and the function of the courts in defining and safeguarding civil rights and civil liberties.

**POLI 410**  
**PRESIDENTIAL POLICY-MAKING - 3 semester hours** **Sp,Su**  
A study of the President's role in formulating public policy through interaction with domestic and foreign political actors.

**POLI 412**  
**THE POLITICAL ECONOMY OF SOUTHERN AFRICA - 3 semester hours** **F**  
A study of the political and economic forces which shape the politics of nation-states in southern Africa.

**POLI 413**  
**THE POLITICS OF MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS IN THE THIRD WORLD - 3 semester hours** **Sp**  
A study of the impact of multinational corporations on the politics of nation-states in the Third World.

**POLI 414**  
**MARXIST POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY - 3 semester hours** **Sp**  
A study of the nature of the state, politics, social development, and class struggle from the writings of Karl Marx and Frederick Engels.