

**POLITICAL SCIENCE-MINOR**

21 CREDITS

**Core Courses (6 credits, both of which are general education requirements)****\_\_\_ PLS 102 American Government and Politics (3) & \_\_\_ PLS 103 Issues in World Politics (3) or PLS 211 International Relations (3)**

Choose one class from each of the 4 categories below. At least 9 credits must be in 300 level. Independent studies and internships do not count toward the 300 level requirement.

**\_\_\_ Category - American Politics** (Prerequisite is PLS 102 or Junior standing except where noted)

PLS 202 American Election Campaigns	PLS 306 American Constitutional Law I
PLS 203 State Politics	PLS 307 American Constitutional Law II
PLS 205 The Policy Process	PLS 308 American Judicial Politics
PLS 206 American Constitutional Foundations (no prerequisite)	PLS/PA 310 Politics and Health Policy
PLS 301 Poverty, Inequality, & US Policy (junior standing)	PLS 330 Religion and Politics
PLS/WGS 302 Women, Politics and Policy	PLS 340 Mass Media and American Politics
PLS/ENS 303 Intro. US Environ. Policy (junior standing)	PLS 341 Elections and Voting Behavior (PLS 102, STA 215 and PLS 300)
PLS 304 Political Parties & Interest Groups	PA 307/GPY 308 Local Politics and Administration (no prerequisite)
PLS 305 SWS Congress and the Presidency (PLS 102 or junior standing, & WRT 150)	

**\_\_\_ Category – International Relations**

PLS 211 International Relations	PLS 315 International Political Economy (PLS 211 or ECO 200 or ECO 210 or ECO 211)
PLS 212 Great Decisions (no prerequisite)	PLS/HRT 316 Human Rights in International Politics (PLS 103 or PLS 211 or junior standing)
PLS 311 International Conflict and Conflict Resolution (PLS 211 or junior standing)	PLS 321/HNR 311 The European Union (PLS 221 or permission of instructor)
PLS 312 U.S. Foreign Policy (PLS 102 or PLS 211 or junior standing)	
PLS 313 International Organization (PLS 211 or junior standing)	
PLS 314 International Law (PLS 211 or junior standing)	

**\_\_\_ Category – Comparative Politics**

PLS 103 Issues in World Politics	PLS 320 Comparative Politics of the Middle East (no prerequisite)
PLS 221 Government and Politics of Western Europe (no prerequisite)	PLS 325 Human Rights & Democracy in Russia & the Post-Communist World (PLS 103 or junior standing)
PLS 240 The Holocaust (no prerequisite)	PLS 327 Politics of Developing Countries (PLS 103 or junior standing)
PLS 281 Comparative Political Systems: Canada (no prerequisite)	PLS 339 Democracy and the Authoritarian Challenge (junior standing)
PLS 283 Chinese Politics and U.S.-Chinese Relations (no prerequisite)	
PLS 284 Latin American Politics (no prerequisite)	
PLS/AAA 319 African Politics (junior standing)	

**\_\_\_ Category – Political Thought – take at least one course at the 200 or 300 level**

PLS/HRT 105 Introduction to Human Rights	PLS/HRT/HNR 335 Theory of Human Rights (PLS 231 or PLS 232 or PLS/HRT 105 or HNR 263)
PLS 231 Classical Political Thought (no prerequisite)	PLS 337 U.S. Political Thought (junior standing)
PLS 232 SWS Modern Political Thought (WRT 150)	PLS 338 SWS Citizenship (junior standing & WRT 150)
PLS 333 Contemporary Political Thought (PLS 231 or 232 or junior standing)	
PLS/WGS/HNR 334 Sex, Power, and Politics (junior standing)	

**\_\_\_ 1 course from any of the 4 categories above or from any of the ones below:**

PLS 380 Special Topics in Politics	PLS 490 Internship
PLS 399 Readings in Political Science	PLS 499 Independent Research

It is imperative to meet with your faculty advisor and an advisor in the CLAS Academic Advising Center regularly.

The CLAS Academic Advising Center is located in C-1-140 MAK, 616-331-8585.

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