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## Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)

The B.A. is offered in the following areas:

•     Africana Studies

•     Gender and Women’s Studies

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•     Global Studies

•     History

•     Justice Studies

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## Certificate of Undergraduate Study (C.U.S.)

Certificate programs of undergraduate study are offered in the following areas:

• General Science

• Gerontology

• International Nongovernmental Organizations Studies

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Place between General Science and Gerontology:

GEOGraphic INFORMATION SYSTEMS C.U.S.

Retention Requirements

Maintaina 2.0 G.P.A. in the program.

Course Requirements

Courses

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| GEOG 201 | Mapping Our Changing World | 4 | F, Sp |
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| GEOG 202 | Geographic Information Systems I | 4 | F, Sp |
|  | -OR- |  |  |
| PBAD 202 | Geographic Information Systems I | 4 | F, Sp |
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| GEOG 308 | Geographic Information Systems II | 4 | F |
|  | -OR- |  |  |
| PBAD 308 | Geographic Information Systems II | 4 | F |
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| GEOG 463 | Internship in Geography | 4-6 | F, Sp, Su | |

Note: GEOG 201 has a prerequisite of Gen. Ed. Mathematics.

Total Credit Hours: 16-18

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Connections (C)

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| FILM 262 | Cross-Cultural Projections: Exploring Cinematic Representation | 4 | As needed | |
| GEND 261 | Resisting Authority: Girls of Fictional Futures | 4 | Sp (alternate years) | |
| GEND 262 | Lights, Camera, Gender!: Gender in Film | 4 | F | |
| GED 262 | Native American Narratives | 4 | F, Sp | |
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| HIST 263 | Christianity | 4 | F, Sp | |
| HIST 265 | Post-1945 Conflicts in Africa and Globally | 4 | Annually |
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Social and Behavioral Sciences (SB)

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| GEOG 206 | Disaster Management | 4 | F, Sp |
| POL 102 | American Government | 4 | F, Sp, Su |
| POL 103 | Global Politics | 4 | F, Sp |
| POL 104 | Introduction to Political Thought | 4 | F, Sp |
| PSYC 110 | Introduction to Psychology | 4 | F, Sp, Su |

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Undergraduate Degree Programs

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| Gender and Women’s Studies (p. ) | B.A. |
|  |  |
| Global Studies  (p. ) | B.A. |

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Environmental Studies B.A.

Course Requirements

The Human-Environment Interface

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| PHIL 325 | Environmental Ethics | 3 | Sp |
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| POL 102 | American Government | 4 | F, Sp, Su |
|  | -Or- |  |  |
| POL 103 | Global Politics | 4 | F, Sp |
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Depth Courses

**FOUR COURSES**, BUT NO MORE THAN TWO FROM ANY SINGLE DEPARTMENT/PROGRAM FROM:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| ECON 337 | Economics of Climate Change and Sustainability | 4 | Annually (odd years) |
| ENGL 315 | Literature, Environment and Ecocriticism | 4 | Annually |
| ENST 301/ANTH 301 | Ethnobotany | 4 | Alternate years |
| GEOG 202 | Geographic Information Systems I | 4 | F, Sp |
| GEOG 206 | Disaster Management | 4 | F, Sp |
| GEOG 338 | People, Houses, Neighborhoods, and Cities | 4 | F |
| HIST 357 | Public History Experiences | 3 | Annually |

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| Note: Cannot receive credit for ANTH 301 and ENST 301. Cannot receive credit for INGO 300 and POL 345. |  |  |  |
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| 4-Faculty of Arts and Sciences, page 35  Environmental Studies Minor  The Human Environment  **CHOOSE ONE COURSE** that cannot be counted in your major from:  …..   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | HIST 258 | Environmental History | 3 | Annually | | GEOG 100 | Introduction to Environmental Geography | 4 | F, Sp, Su | | GEOG 201 | Mapping Our Changing World | 4 | F, Sp | | PHIL 325 | Environmental Ethics | 3 | Sp | | POL 102 | American Government | 4 | F, Sp, Su | | POL 103 | Global Politics | 4 | F, Sp | | SOC 200 | Introduction to Sociology | 4 | F, Sp |   …..  Depth Courses  **CHOOSE TWO COURSES** from:  …..   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | ENGL 315 | Literature, Environment and Ecocriticism | 4 | Annually | | ENST 301/ANTH 301 | Ethnobotany | 4 | Alternate years | | GEOG 202 | Geographic Information Systems I | 4 | F, Sp | | GEOG 206 | Disaster Management | 4 | F, Sp | | GEOG 338 | People, Houses, Neighborhoods, and Cities | 4 | F | | HIST 357 | Public History Experiences | 3 | Annually | | INGO 300 | International NGOs and Nonprofits | 4 | F | | POL 342 | The Politics of Global Economic Change | 4 | Every third semester |   Note: Cannot receive credit for INGO 300 and POL 345.  Total Credit Hours: 20 |

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Gender and Women’s Studies B.A.

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| HIST 234 | Challenges and Confrontations: Women in Europe | 3 | As needed |
| POL 309 | Gender and Politics in the U.S. | 4 | As needed |
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| PSYC 356 | Psychology of Gender | 4 | F, Sp |
| SOC 342 | Women, Crime, and Justice | 4 | F, Sp |

Gender and Women’s Studies Minor

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| HIST 234 | Challenges and Confrontations: Women in Europe | 3 | As needed |
| POL 309 | Gender and Politics in the U.S. | 4 | As needed |
|  |  |  |  |
| PSYC 356 | Psychology of Gender | 4 | F, Sp |
| SOC 342 | Women, Crime, and Justice | 4 | F, Sp |

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NOTE: Delete the Geography B.A. Major but keep the minor.

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Global Studies B.A.

Global Political Systems

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| POL 103 | Global Politics | 4 | F, Sp |
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| POL 337 | Urban Political Geography | 4 | Sp |
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Culture, Geography, Society

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| GEOG 337 | Urban Political Geography | 4 | Sp |
| GEOG 338 | People, Houses, Neighborhoods, and Cities | 4 | F |

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Global Studies Minor

Core Courses

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| GEOG 200 | World Regional Geography | 4 | F, Sp |
| GLOB 200W | Global Studies and the World | 4 | F, Sp |
| HIST 204 | Global History since 1500 | 3 | F, Sp |

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| POL 103 | Global Politics | 4 | F, Sp |

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Justice Studies B.A.

Courses

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| PHIL 208 | Introduction to Theories of Justice | 4 | F, Sp |
| POL 102 | American Government | 4 | F, Sp, Su |

Justice Studies Minor

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| Courses |  |  |  | |
| POL 102 | American Government | 4 | F, Sp, Su | |
| POL 332 | Civil Liberties in the United States | 4 | F, Sp |
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Modern Languages, B.A.

C. Latin American Studies

ONE COURSE from

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| ANTH 461/FNED 461 | LatinX in the United States | 4 | Annually |

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| MLAN 320 | Internship in Modern Languages | 1-4 | As needed |
| POL 103 | Global Politics | 4 | F, Sp |

Latin American Studies Minor

TWO COURSES from:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| ANTH 101 | Introduction to Cultural Anthropology | 4 | F, Sp |
| HIST 241 | Colonial and Neocolonial Latin America | 3 | Annually |
| HIST 242 | Modern Latin America | 3 | Annually |
| LAS 363 | Seminar: Topics in Latin American Studies | 3 | Alternate years |
| POL 103 | Global Politics | 4 | F, Sp |
| POL 341 | The Politics of Developing Nations | 4 | Sp |
| PORT 304 | Brazilian Literature and Culture | 4 | Alternate years |

# Political Science

**Department of Political Science**

**Department Chair:** Michelle Brophy-Baermann

**Department Faculty: Professors** Hofhansel, Linde; **Associate Professors** Brophy-Baermann, Schmeling; **Assistant Professors** Leviss, Noh, Rogol,

A 2.0 GPA in the major at graduation is required for the B.A. in political science. Students **must** consult with their assigned advisor before they will be able to register for courses.

Political Science B.A.

Course Requirements

Required Courses

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| POL 102 | American Government | 4 | F, Sp, Su |
| POL 103 | Global Politics | 4 | F, Sp |
| POL 104 | Introduction to Political Thought | 4 | F, Sp |
| POL 300 | Methodology in Political Science | 4 | F, Sp |
| POL 308W | Current Political Controversy | 4 | F, Sp |

AT LEAST SIX ADDITIONAL political science courses, at least FOUR of which must be 3 or 4 credits and at the 300-level or above



Total Credit Hours: 41-44

Internship

The Department of Political Science strongly encourages students to undertake internship experiences as part of their undergraduate education. Every fall, spring, and summer the department offers a twelve-week internship for students in political science, public administration, justice studies, gerontology, and other programs. Students are placed in federal, state, and local government agencies; in private sector public service organizations; and in organizations engaged in campaigns or political advocacy. To enroll in this internship, students should register for POL 328.

In addition, under the auspices of the Rhode Island State Internship Program, the department offers a twelve-week internship every spring semester, placing students with individual members of the Rhode Island state legislature or with members of the executive and judicial branches of state government. To enroll in this internship, students should register for POL 327.

Political Science Minor

Course Requirements

The minor in political science consists of a minimum of 18 credit hours, as follows:

Courses

TWO COURSES from:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| POL 102 | American Government | 4 | F, Sp, Su |
| POL 103 | Global Politics | 4 | F, Sp |
| POL 104 | Introduction to Political Thought | 4 | F, Sp |

and additional Political Science courses at the 300- or 400-level, with the exception of PBAD 325.

Total Credit Hours: 18

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# Public Administration

**Department of Political Science**

**Department Chair:** Michelle Brophy-Baermann

**Director of Public Administration:** Perri Leviss

The major in public administration is designed for students who seek employment in federal, state, local, or nonprofit agencies and organizations, and for those applying for admission to graduate programs in public administration, public affairs, or public policy. A GPA of 2.0 in the major is required to graduate with a B.A. in public administration. Students **must** consult with their assigned advisor before they will be able to register for courses.

Public Administration B.A.

Course Requirements

Courses

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|  |  |  | F, | |
| PBAD 325 | Politics of Public Management | 4 | Sp |
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| POL 102 | American Government | 4 | F, Sp, Su |
| POL 300 | Methodology in Political Science | 4 | F, Sp | |
| POL 301W | Foundations of Public Administration | 4 | F |
| POL 331 | Courts and Public Policy | 4 | F |
| POL 355 | Policy Formation Process | 4 | Sp |

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ONE COURSE from

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| POL 327 | Internship in State Government | 4 | Sp |
| POL 328 | Field Experiences in the Public Sector | 4 | F, Sp, Su |

Cognates

THREE ADDITIONAL COURSES (9-12 credits) at the 300 or 400-level other than political science department courses and chosen in consultation with the public administration director. The cognate requirement can be satisfied by completing a dual major other than in political science, or a minor other than in political science, or a college-approved, credit-bearing certificate program.

Total Credit Hours: 41-44

Public Administration B.A.-M.P.A.

Rhode Island College cooperates with the University of Rhode Island in providing Rhode Island College students with an opportunity to begin their graduate training in public administration as they complete their studies leading to a degree at Rhode Island College. Early advisement is essential for students seeking admission to this program. A student in this cooperative program could earn the Master of Public Administration degree in fifteen months of full-time study or pursue the degree on a part-time basis. Students should consult with the director of the undergraduate public administration program no later than the second semester of their junior year.

Public Administration M.P.A.

The Master of Public Administration Program is a cooperative program of Rhode Island College and the University of Rhode Island. M.P.A. students may take graduate-level electives at Rhode Island College to fulfill their plan of study. Requests for program information should be made to the director of the public administration program at Rhode Island College.

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Teaching Concentration in Middle Level General Science

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| POL 102 | American Government | 4 | F, Sp, Su |

Note: ART 210, BIOL 111, MATH 144 and GEOG 200 or POL 102 courses can also apply to General Education requirements.

Note: All cognates require a minimum grade of C.

Note: If taking GEOG 200 then must choose HIST 107 from the General Education History distribution. If taking POL 102 any HIST General Education is accepted.

Teaching Concentration in Middle Level Mathematics

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| POL 102 | American Government | 4 | F, Sp, Su |

Note: ART 210, BIOL 111, MATH 144 and GEOG 200 or POL 102 courses can also apply to General Education requirements.

Note: All cognates require a minimum grade of C.

Note: If taking GEOG 200 then must choose HIST 107 from the General Education History distribution. If taking POL 102 any HIST General Education is accepted.

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A-Content Major in English

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B-Content Major in Multidisciplinary Studies

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| POL 103 | Global Politics | 4 | F, Sp |
| POL 104 | Introduction to Political Thought | 4 | F, Sp |

C-Content Major in Social Studies

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| POL 103 | Global Politics | 4 | F, Sp |
| POL 104 | Introduction to Political Thought | 4 | F, Sp |

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Elementary Education, B.S.

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| POL 102 | American Government | 4 | F, Sp, Su |

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Secondary Education, History Major

Certification Courses

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| POL 102 | American Government | 4 | F, Sp, Su |

Secondary Education, Social Studies Major

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| POL 102 | American Government | 4 | F, Sp, Su |

Concentrations

Select one concentration area (A, B, C or D) and then one course from the courses listed for your concentration.

B. Geography (select one course)

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| GEOG 100 | Introduction to Environmental Geography | 4 | F, Sp, Su |
| GEOG 337 | Urban Political Geography | 4 | Sp |
| GEOG 338 | People, Houses, Neighborhoods, and Cities | 4 | F |
|  |  |  |  |

C. Global Studies (select one course)

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| GLOB 356 | The Atlantic World | 4 | As needed |
| INGO 301 | Global Development | 4 | Sp |
| POL 103 | Global Politics | 4 | F, Sp |
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D. Political Science (select one course)

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| POL 103 | Global Politics | 4 | F, Sp |
| POL 104 | Introduction to Political Thought | 4 | F, Sp |

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International Business Minor

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| POL 103 | Global Politics | 4 | F, Sp |
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*POL 103 fulfills the Social and Behavioral Sciences category of General Education.*

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Social Work, B.S.W.

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| POL 102 | American Government | 4 | F, Sp, Su |

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# GEOG - Geography

GEOG 201 - Mapping Our Changing World (4)

Basic mapping theories, models, and techniques enable students to become knowledgeable, critical consumers of the geographic data that is promulgated by government, industry, and the popular media.

General Education Category: Advanced Quantitative/Scientific Reasoning.

Prerequisite: Gen. Ed. Mathematics.

Offered: Fall, Spring.

GEOG 202 - Geographic Information Systems I (4)

Introductory concepts and techniques, with hands-on laboratory experience, enable students to produce their own GIS maps of human and environmental phenomena. Students cannot receive credit for both GEOG 202 and PBAD 202

Offered: Fall, Spring.

GEOG 205 - Earth's Physical Environments (4)

Atmospheric, oceanic, and landform processes are studied as they shape and give character to the surface of the earth.

General Education Category: Advanced Quantitative/Scientific Reasoning.

Prerequisite: Gen. Ed. Mathematics.

Offered: Fall, Spring.

GEOG 206 - Disaster Management (4)

Focus is on societal responses to disasters and the systems created to deal with such phenomena. Included are causes of disasters and plans formulated to cope with them. (Formerly GEOG 300.)

General Education Category: Social and Behavioral Sciences.

Offered: Fall, Spring.

GEOG 209 – Political Geography of Rhode Island (4)

Discussion centers on the geographic elements in the history and development of Rhode Island. Rhode Island's place in the New England, national and world scenes is assessed. Students cannot receive credit for both GEOG 209 and POL 209

Offered: Alternate years.

GEOG 308 - Geographic Information Systems II (4)

GIS is used by students in the computer laboratory to produce complex, multi-layered maps of various spatial phenomena at a level designed to promote proficiency with the latest analytical software. Students cannot receive credit for both GEOG 308 and PBAD 308

Prerequisite: GEOG 202 or PBAD 202.

Offered: Fall.

GEOG 337 - Urban Political Geography (4)

Geographic and political analyses are used to study the growth of cities. Discussion includes the role of cities on local, national, and world scales. Students cannot receive credit for both GEOG 337 and POL 337.

Prerequisite: Completion of any 100- or 200-level geography or political science course, or consent of program director.

Offered: Spring.

GEOG 338 - People, Houses, Neighborhoods, and Cities (4)

City planning and housing development are studied within the context of how and why neighborhoods change over time. Attention is given to land use plans, zoning maps, and the city building process. Students cannot receive credit for both GEOG 338 and POL 338.

Prerequisite: Completion of any 100- or 200-level geography or political science course or consent of program director.

Offered: Fall.

GEOG 401 - Geography for Social Studies Educators (4)

An introduction to teaching human geography and the spatial aspects of social studies.

Prerequisite: Admission to a secondary education teacher preparation program or consent of department chair.

Offered: Spring.

GEOG 463 - Internship in Geography (4-6)

This internship, normally taken in the senior year, provides on-the-job experience in applied professional geography. Normally this involves a negotiated number of hours per week working in either a private firm or public agency.

Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.

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POL 102 - American Government (4)

The institutions and principles of American national government are examined. Topics include the constitutional foundation, federalism, political parties, Congress, the presidency, the Supreme Court, and civil rights.

General Education Category: Social and Behavioral Sciences.

Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

POL 103 - Global Politics (4)

This is an introduction to the governance of other contemporary national political systems and to the forces, principles, and transnational arrangements of international politics.

General Education Category: Social and Behavioral Sciences.

Offered: Fall, Spring.

POL 104 - Introduction to Political Thought (4)

Fundamental concepts and issues of philosophy and political theory are investigated. Basic precepts about authority, law, government, and the terms of obligation are examined in light of contemporary concerns.

General Education Category: Social and Behavioral Sciences.

Offered: Fall, Spring.

POL 206 - State and Local Government (4)

Students examine the political structures, processes, policies, and power distributions in state and local governments in the United States. Topics include intergovernmental relations, executive leadership, and legislative policy making.

Offered: Every third semester.

POL 209 – Political Geography of Rhode Island (4)

Discussion centers on the geographic elements in the history and development of Rhode Island. Rhode Island's place in the New England, national and world scenes is assessed. Students cannot receive credit for both POL 209 and GEOG 209

Offered: Alternate years

POL 240 – Model United Nations (4)

Students will learn about the history, organization, structure, and power dynamics of the United Nations in preparation for a Model United Nations conference..

Prerequisite: 30 completed college credits or consent of instructor

Offered: Alternate years.

POL 300 - Methodology in Political Science (4)

The approaches and methods of empirical political science research are surveyed. Emphasis is on research design, data collection, and interpretation.

General Education Category: Advanced Quantitative/Scientific Reasoning.

Prerequisite: POL 102 and any Gen. Ed. Mathematics course, or consent of department chair.

Offered: Fall, Spring.

POL 301W - Foundations of Public Administration (4)

The art and science of public administration is introduced. Focus is on the administrative leadership necessary to manage government agencies within the American political system. This is a Writing in the Discipline (WID) course.

Prerequisite: POL 102 or consent of department chair.

Offered: Fall.

POL 303 - International Law and Organization (4)

Both twentieth-century international organization and the place of evolving international law are considered with respect to the settlement of disputes and the maintenance of peace.

Prerequisite: POL 103 or consent of department chair.

Offered: Spring.

POL 307 - Political Behavior (4)

Students examine how individuals interact with the American political system. Topics include political socialization, political psychology, public opinion, voting behavior, and other forms of mass political participation.

Prerequisite: POL 102

Offered: Fall (even years).

POL 308W - Current Political Controversy (4)

Students learn the art and science of political analysis by critically reading and writing about political controversies currently in the news while learning to use the tools and data available to political scientists. This is a Writing in the Discipline (WID) course.

Prerequisite: POL 102 and completion of 30 credits.

Offered: Fall, Spring.

POL 309 - Gender and Politics in the U.S. (4)

Focus is on the increasing involvement of women in the politics and issues of contemporary America. Women's political socialization, voting behavior and political roles in government are also discussed.

Prerequisite: POL 102 or consent of department chair.

Offered: As needed.

POL 316 - Modern Western Political Thought (4)

The ideas of major Western political thinkers are reviewed. Students cannot receive credit for both HIST 316 and POL 316.

Prerequisite: POL 104 or consent of department chair.

Offered: Fall.

POL 317 - Politics and Society (4)

Relationships of power and authority and their social foundations are examined. Students cannot receive credit for more than one of the following: HIST 317, POL 317, and SOC 317.

Prerequisite: POL 104 or consent of department chair.

Offered: Spring.

POL 330 - Jurisprudence and the American Judicial Process (4)

Students examine and compare theories of law and legal reasoning, focusing on how judges determine what the law is and apply it to decide cases across different areas of law.

Prerequisite: One 100-level political science course or consent of department chair.

Offered: As needed.

POL 331 - Courts and Public Policy (4)

Students examine the role of courts in forming and implementing public policy. Topics include litigation strategies, the selection of judges, judicial activism, and the impact of court decisions on society.

Prerequisite: POL 102.

Offered: Fall.

POL 332 - Civil Liberties in the United States (4)

Traditional constitutional guarantees of civil liberty and due process in American life are examined. Included are an examination of legal decisions and the justifications offered for those decisions.

Prerequisite: POL 102.

Offered: Fall, Spring.

POL 334 - Contemporary Constitutional Problems (4)

Students explore current issues in constitutional law, focusing on questions of federalism and the separation of powers, and participate in a Supreme Court simulation.

Prerequisite: POL 102 and one of the following: POL 208, POL 315, POL 331, POL 332, or consent of department chair.

Offered: Spring (alternate years).

POL 337 - Urban Political Geography (4)

Geographic and political analyses are used to study the growth of cities. Consideration is given to the role of cities on local, national, and world scales. Students cannot receive credit for both GEOG 337 and POL 337.

Prerequisite: Any 100-level geography or political science course or consent of department chair.

Offered: Spring.

POL 338 - People, Houses, Neighborhoods, and Cities (4)

City planning and housing development are studied within the context of how and why neighborhoods change over time. Attention is given to land use plans, zoning maps, and the city building process. Students cannot receive credit for both GEOG 338 and POL 338.

Prerequisite: Any 100- or 200-level political science or geography course or consent of program director.

Offered: Fall.

POL 340 – Global Politics and Film (4)

Students explore ideas and approaches to international relations through a series of appropriate films, to examine mythmaking as a key mechanism of global politics in war, trade, love, and anarchy.

Prerequisite: POL 103 or consent of instructor..

Offered: Alternate years.

POL 341 - The Politics of Developing Nations (4)

Students study politics with an emphasis is on determinants of political development and economic growth, including (non)democratic institutions, natural resources, human capital, and international trade.

Prerequisite: POL 103 or consent of department chair.

Offered: Spring.

POL 343 - The Politics of Western Democracies (4)

The political structures, processes, and policies of the principal West European and Anglo-American postindustrial societies are compared and analyzed.

Prerequisite: One 100-level political science course or consent of department chair.

Offered: As needed.

POL 343 - The Politics of Western Democracies (4)

The political structures, processes, and policies of the principal West European and Anglo-American postindustrial societies are compared and analyzed.

Prerequisite: One 100-level political science course or consent of department chair.

Offered: As needed.

POL 344 - Human Rights (4)

Important and relevant theories of human rights and current case studies relating to the protection and violation of human rights are examined.

Prerequisite: Completion of at least 30 college credits.

Offered: Spring (alternate years).

POL 345 - International NGOs and Nonprofits (4)

The various roles of international nongovernmental and nonprofit organizations are examined. Students cannot receive credit for both INGO 300 and POL 345.

Prerequisite: POL 103 or consent of program director.

Offered: Fall.

POL 346 - Foreign Policy (4)

American foreign policy, decision making, and politics are examined. The policies and decision-making particulars of other governments are developed where appropriate.

Prerequisite: POL 103.

Offered: As needed.

POL 347 - Political Activism and Social Justice (4)

Students explore nonviolence as a strategy for change through international and national social movements since World War II. Hybrid course.

Prerequisite: Minimum of 30 completed college credits.

Offered: Spring (Alternate years).

POL 348 - Middle Eastern and North African Politics (4)

Students analyze ongoing political transformation and developments in the region, tied to both historical and political contexts. Topics include authoritarianism, oil, gender, terrorism, political Islam, and more.

Prerequisite: POL 103 or consent of department chair.

Offered: Fall.

POL 353 - Parties and Elections (4)

Political parties and the American system of elections are analyzed. Also covered are the organizational aspects of the parties, mass voting behavior, the impact of elections on policymaking and national and state trends.

Prerequisite: POL 102 or consent of department chair.

Offered: Fall, of election years.

POL 354 - Interest Group Politics (4)

This is an in-depth examination of interest groups and the roles they play in American politics. Topics include group formation and maintenance, lobbyists and lobbying, electioneering, issue advocacy, and campaign finance.

Prerequisite: POL 102 or consent of department chair.

Offered: Fall (alternate years).

POL 355 - Policy Formation Process (4)

Public policy formulation, from input to output, by the major institutions of government is studied. Included are the internal processes and interactions of legislatures and executives.

Prerequisite: POL 102 or consent of department chair.

Offered: Spring.

POL 357 - The American Presidency (4)

The constitutional and institutional evolution of the presidency is studied, including the demands and resources of the office. Students cannot receive credit for both HIST 332 and POL 357.

Prerequisite: Any 100-level history or political science course or consent of department chair.

Offered: As needed.

POL 358 - The American Congress (4)

Students examine the development of Congress and assess its structure, the behavior of its members, and its role in American politics.

Prerequisite: POL 102 or consent of department chair.

Offered: Every third semester.

POL 359 - Politics and the Media (4)

The role media plays in politics is analyzed. Topics include media evolution and regulation and the relationship between media and political institutions/policy in the United States.

Prerequisite: POL 102 or consent of instructor.

Offered: As needed.

POL 381 - Workshop in Public Service (1-4)

Selected topics are investigated in various formats.

Prerequisite: Varies.

Offered: As needed.

POL 390 - Directed Study in Political Science (1-4)

Designed to be a substitute for a traditional course under the instruction of a faculty member.

Prerequisite: Major in political science and consent of instructor, department chair and dean.

Offered: As needed.

POL 456 - Policy Analysis (3)

The substance of public policy in the United States is investigated. Focus is on various models of policy analysis that seek to explain the variables that influence the initiation, implementation, and outcome of policy decisions.

Prerequisite: POL 102 or consent of department chair.

Offered: Spring.

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PBAD 202 - Geographic Information Systems I (4)

Introductory concepts and techniques, with hands-on laboratory experience, enable students to produce their own GIS maps of human and environmental phenomena. Students cannot receive credit for both PBAD 202 and GEOG 202.

Offered: Fall, Spring.

PBAD 308 - Geographic Information Systems II (4)

GIS is used by students in the computer laboratory to produce complex, multi-layered maps of various spatial phenomena at a level designed to promote proficiency with the latest analytical software. Students cannot receive credit for both PBAD 308 and GEOG 308.

Prerequisite: GEOG 202 or PBAD 202

Offered: Fall.

PBAD 325 - Politics of Public Management (4)

Budgeting and Personnel Administration, Emphasis is on the central role of public budgets in policy formation and on the search for balance among a representative public work force, neutral competence, and political responsiveness.

Prerequisite: POL 301 or POL 301W, or consent of department chair.

Offered: Spring.