POLITICAL SCIENCE (POLI_SCI)

POLI_SCI 201-A Introduction to Political Theory (1 Unit)
Examination of texts in political theory. Topics vary but often include
justice, the Greek polis, the modern state, individualism, representative
democracy.

POLI_SCI 220-CN American Government and Politics (1 Unit)
The structure and process of American politics from competing
perspectives. Analysis of representation, voting, interest groups, parties,
leadership, and policymaking institutions.

POLI_SCI 222-CN Amer Government and Politics (1 Unit)
NPEP course.

POLI_SCI 230-CN Law in the Political Arena (1 Unit)
Roles of law in society and politics. Police and prisons, law and social
change, courts and politics, legal reasoning. Supreme Court decision
making, judicial discretion, legal strategies for making change.

POLI_SCI 230-PP Introduction to Law in the Political Arena (1 Unit)
NPEP course.

POLI_SCI 240-CN Introduction to International Relations (1 Unit)
Introduction to the major theories, concepts, and problems of
contemporary international relations. Security, political economy, and
cooperation.

POLI_SCI 250-CN Introduction to Comparative Politics (1 Unit)
Emphasis may be on industrialized and/or developing states. Major
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POLI_SCI 301-CN Classical Political Theory (1 Unit)
Political thought of Greece and Rome in historical context and with
attention to contemporary theoretical interest.

POLI_SCI 320-CN The Presidency (1 Unit)
Structural foundations and historical development of the American
presidency; predominant scholarly theories of presidential power and
leadership; contemporary issues and debates.

POLI_SCI 324-CN Political Parties and Elections (1 Unit)
Role of political parties in a democratic society. Topics include
nomination, national conventions, political funding, campaigns, party
organization, and national, state, and local parties.

POLI_SCI 328-CN Public Policy (1 Unit)
The role of government in regulating economic and social behavior;
theories of public policy making; sources and effects of public policy.

POLI_SCI 332-CN Constitutional Law (1 Unit)
Introduction to interpretation of the US Constitution by the Supreme
Court. Judicial review, federalism, congressional and executive authority,
separation of powers.

POLI_SCI 333-CN Constitutional Law II (1 Unit)
Consideration of US Supreme Court decisions dealing with civil and
political rights, including equality, freedom of speech and religion, and
criminal procedures.

POLI_SCI 341-CN International Political Economy (1 Unit)
Introduction to the politics of international economic relations. Roots
and evolution of the international political economy. Fundamental
controversies about international trade, finance, and development.

POLI_SCI 342-CN International Organizations (1 Unit)
Institutions that govern the interactions of states, including the WTO,
UN, ICJ, and ICC; informal norms, such as international intervention,
international criminal law, and sovereignty.

POLI_SCI 345-CN National Security (1 Unit)
Basic issues in national security, focusing primarily on the United States.
Topics include the nature of “national interest,” major actors in national
security policy making and military strategy, and the influence and role of
the defense establishment.

POLI_SCI 345-PP National Security (1 Unit)
NPEP course.

POLI_SCI 348-CN Globalization (1 Unit)
Analysis of changes in the world economy and their implications for
politics, economics, and society. Politics of multinational production,
finance, and trade in the context of governance problems in a globalizing
world.

POLI_SCI 350-PP Social Movements (1 Unit)
NPEP course.

POLI_SCI 353-CN Politics of Latin America (1 Unit)
Patterns of socioeconomic development and regime forms in Latin
America. Interaction of internal and international economic and political
structures and processes.

POLI_SCI 355-CN Chinese Politics (1 Unit)
Chinese politics since 1949, focusing on social issues and state-society
relations since 1989.

POLI_SCI 359-CN Politics in Africa (1 Unit)
Political structures and relation of cultural factors to political stability and
change; development of modern political systems.

POLI_SCI 361-CN Democratic Transitions (1 Unit)
Theories of the emergence and breakdown of democracy with a focus on
cases from Europe, Latin America, Africa, and Asia.

POLI_SCI 374-CN Politics of Capitalism (1 Unit)
Effects of politics on the economy and vice versa, especially in advanced
industrial economies. The welfare state, varieties of capitalism, and
neoliberalism.

POLI_SCI 378-CN America and the World (1 Unit)
Key debates and developments in the history and politics of American
foreign relations. Domestic politics and foreign policy, political culture,
interventionism, legal globalization, international institutions.

POLI_SCI 390-CN Special Topics (1 Unit)
Topics vary. May be repeated for credit with different topic.

POLI_SCI 395-CN Political Research Seminar (1 Unit)
Students research and complete a term paper on a topic of choice.
Topics vary. May be repeated for credit with different topic.

POLI_SCI 395-PP Political Research Seminar (1 Unit)
NPEP course.

POLI_SCI 399-CN Independent Study (1 Unit)