POLITICAL SCIENCE

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Political science is the study of politics and power from domestic, international, and comparative perspectives. It entails understanding political ideas, ideologies, institutions, public policies, and behavior, as well as groups, classes, government, diplomacy, law, strategy, and war. A background in political science is valuable for citizenship and political action, as well as for future careers in government, law, business, media, education, nonprofit, public service, and more.

Northwestern's Department of Political Science offers classes in the four major subfields of the discipline—American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations, and Political Theory—as well as Methods of Research and Analysis. Many courses cut across subfields. Political science faculty are closely associated with other departments in Weinberg College, Pritzker School of Law, and the Kellogg School of Management, as well as several interdisciplinary programs, including the Buffett Institute for Global Studies, the Institute for Policy Research, the Program of African Studies, the Gender and Sexuality Studies Program, the Chicago Field Studies Program, the Environmental Policy and Culture Program, and the Center for Civic Engagement.

Certificate of Achievement in a Foreign Language

Mastery of a foreign language has become increasingly important to understanding politics at home and abroad. To encourage students to become proficient in a foreign language, the Department of Political Science offers a certificate of achievement in a foreign language that may be earned either through coursework in political science conducted in a foreign language (two or more courses, usually completed during study abroad) or through the substantial use of foreign language materials in a thesis or other independent study–type (POLI_SCI 399-0) work. Faculty advisers can discuss options with students. The certificate must be approved by the Director of Undergraduate Studies.

Certificate of Achievement in Quantitative Skills

Through this certificate of achievement, the department recognizes majors who have sought the quantitative skills that are increasingly important in many careers and in social science research. The certificate requires a grade of B or better in POLI_SCI 312-0 and in one additional advanced quantitative training course (usually from another department), as well as completion of a research project such as those required for POLI_SCI 395-0, a senior thesis (POLI_SCI 398-1 & POLI_SCI 398-2), independent study POLI_SCI 399-0, or another 300-level political science course that employs quantitative methods. The certificate must be approved by the Director of Undergraduate Studies.

The Teaching of Political Science

Weinberg College students pursuing a major in political science who also wish to be certified for secondary teaching must be admitted to the Teacher Education Program (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/education-social-policy/secondary-teaching/) in the School of Education and Social Policy and complete all requirements as outlined in the SESP chapter of this catalog. Students interested in this option are urged to contact the Office of Student Affairs in SESP as early as possible in their academic careers.

Programs of Study

- Political Science Major (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/political-science/political-science-major/)
- Political Science Minor (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/political-science/political-science-minor/)

Learning Objectives

Among many other learning objectives encountered in political science courses, students of political science will:

- Gain a deeper understanding of the dynamic interplay of ideas, institutions, and behavior across political life and over time
- Develop substantive expertise in specific areas of study
- Gain a breadth of knowledge covering multiple fields (international relations, comparative politics, American politics, political theory)
- Learn to critically evaluate problems and solutions
- Develop skills in research, writing, and argumentation
- Develop skills in ethical reasoning
- Acquire quantitative skills and become familiar with multiple methodologies
- Be prepared to pursue a range of careers, including in government, law, business, education, nonprofit sector, politics, journalism, consulting

Political Science Courses

POLI_SCI 101-7 College Seminar (1 Unit) Small, writing and discussion-oriented course exploring a specific topic or theme, and introducing skills necessary to thriving at Northwestern. Not eligible to be applied towards a WCAS major or minor except where specifically indicated. *SOC Additional Distro*

POLI_SCI 101-8 First-Year Writing Seminar (1 Unit) Small, writing and discussion-oriented course exploring a specific topic or theme, and focused on the fundamentals of effective, college-level written communication. Not eligible to be applied towards a WCAS major or minor except where specifically indicated. *SOC Additional Distro*

POLI_SCI 201-0 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. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 210-0 Introduction to Empirical Methods in Political Science (1 Unit) Tools political scientists use. How qualitative, quantitative, and experimental research designs help answer difficult descriptive and causal questions. *Empirical and Deductive Reasoning Foundational Dis SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro*

POLI_SCI 211-0 Introduction to Interpretive Methods in Political Science (1 Unit) Philosophy of inquiry and interpretive research methods for students of political science. Examines diverse schools of thought on research methods and their relevance for research goals. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 212-0 Evaluating Evidence (1 Unit) Introduction to evaluation of qualitative and quantitative evidence across science, politics, society, health, education, and industry. POLI_SCI 212-0 and COG_SCI 202-0 are taught together; may not receive credit for both courses. *Empirical and Deductive Reasoning Foundational Dis SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro*

POLI_SCI 220-0 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. The gateway course for the American politics subfield. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl U.S. Perspectives on Power, Justice, and Equity*

POLI_SCI 230-0 Introduction to 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. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl U.S. Perspectives on Power, Justice, and Equity*

POLI_SCI 240-0 Introduction to International Relations (1 Unit) Introduction to the major theories, concepts, and problems of contemporary international relations. Security, political economy, and cooperation. *Global Perspectives on Power, Justice, and Equity SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 250-0 Introduction to Comparative Politics (1 Unit) Politics of developing and industrialized countries across the world. Major topics include states and state-making, democracy and dictatorship, conflict and violence, constitutions, civil society, and political economy. *Global Perspectives on Power, Justice, and Equity SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 301-0 Ancient Political Theory (1 Unit) Political thought of Greece and Rome in historical context. *Ethical and Evaluative Thinking Foundational Disci SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro*

POLI_SCI 302-0 Subjects, Citizens, Revolutionaries: Early Modern Political Thought (1 Unit) Political philosophers from the 16th, 17th, and 18th centuries. Topics include sources of power and their impact on justice, equality, and law. No prerequisites, but some knowledge of political theory is desirable. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro*

POLI_SCI 303-0 Modernity and Its Discontents (1 Unit) Examination of late 19th and early 20th century social and political thought in the works of writers such as Marx, Weber, Mill, Kafka, Darwin, Nietzsche, Freud, and de Beauvoir. No prerequisites, but some knowledge of political theory is desirable. *Ethical and Evaluative Thinking Foundational Disci SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro*

POLI_SCI 304-0 Human Rights Between East and West (1 Unit) In this course, students consider challenges leveled against the declared universalism of human rights. They assess these challenges from the perspective of two non-western traditions: Islam and Confucianism. *Ethical and Evaluative Thinking Foundational Disci Global Perspectives on Power, Justice, and Equity SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro*

POLI_SCI 305-0 Integrity and the Politics of Corruption (1 Unit) This seminar delves into fraught political problems revolving around corruption and abuse of power. To tackle these problems, we examine two ideas related to "the people." First, the people as the owner of public property stolen by corrupt politicians. Second, the people as an agent with its own moral integrity. Both ideas combine abstract philosophy with concrete politics. *Ethical and Evaluative Thinking Foundational Disci SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro*

POLI_SCI 306-0 American Political Thought (1 Unit) Advanced introduction to the development of political thought in the United States from the revolutionaries to the 20th century pragmatists. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro*

POLI_SCI 307-0 Deportation Law and Politics (1 Unit) Analysis of deportation law and politics from colonial America through today. Requires two visits to Chicago immigration courts. *Ethical and Evaluative Thinking Foundational Disci SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro U.S. Perspectives on Power, Justice, and Equity*

POLI_SCI 308-0 Critical Theory and the Study of Politics (1 Unit) Critical theory examines and contests hegemonic thinking about politics and envisages alternate worlds of political possibility. Note: students cannot receive credit for both POLI_SCI 308-0 (Evanston) and POLI_SCI 308-SA (study abroad). *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro*

POLI_SCI 308-SA Critical Theory and the Study of Politics (1 Unit) Critical theory examines and contests hegemonic thinking about politics and envisages alternate worlds of political possibility. This study abroad course is restricted to students in Northwestern's Paris program in critical theory, literature, and media. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro*

POLI_SCI 309-0 Political Theories of the Rule of Law (1 Unit) Key documents and debates in the development of theories of law and jurisprudence. From Aeschylus to contemporary democratic and legal theories and major court cases on topics ranging from torture to Title IX. POLI_SCI 309-0 and LEGAL_ST 309-0 are taught together; may not receive credit for both courses. *Ethical and Evaluative Thinking Foundational Disci SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro*

POLI_SCI 312-0 Statistical Research Methods (1 Unit) Statistics and data science as applied in political science, including research design, data collection and handling, social scientific communication, and transparency practices. *Empirical and Deductive Reasoning Foundational Dis SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro*

POLI_SCI 313-0 Experiments in Political Science (1 Unit) Randomized experiments are the central tool for establishing cause and effect in politics and the social sciences. Students learn the potential-outcomes framework, why random assignment licenses causal claims that correlational data cannot, and how to estimate treatment effects in R. Each student designs, runs, analyzes, and presents an original experiment. No prerequisites. Ideal in the sophomore or junior year. *Empirical and Deductive Reasoning Foundational Dis*

POLI_SCI 320-0 The American Presidency (1 Unit) Structural foundations and historical development of the American presidency; predominant scholarly theories of presidential power and leadership; contemporary issues and debates. Prerequisite: POLI_SCI 220-0 or equivalent. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 321-0 Urban Politics (1 Unit) Structure of local and regional political power and its relation to the social and economic structure of community. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl U.S. Perspectives on Power, Justice, and Equity*

POLI_SCI 323-0 Public Opinion and Voting Behavior (1 Unit) Who votes and for whom. Social, psychological, economic, and political factors influencing election choices. Sources of opinions. Focus on American presidential elections with some comparative and nonpresidential material.

Prerequisite: POLI_SCI 220-0 or equivalent.
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POLI_SCI 324-0 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.
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POLI_SCI 325-0 Congress and the Legislative Process (1 Unit)
Organization of legislatures to make public policy; impact of constituents and political parties on legislative decision making; polarization; legislative-executive relations. Emphasis on the US Congress and contemporary politics.
Prerequisite: POLI_SCI 220-0 or equivalent.
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POLI_SCI 326-0 Race and Public Policy (1 Unit) Analysis of how diversity shapes policy in the United States and how policies contribute to racial and ethnic diversity. Immigration reform, school choice, residential segregation, and criminal justice. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl U.S. Perspectives on Power, Justice, and Equity*

POLI_SCI 327-0 African American Politics (1 Unit)
Survey of black politics in the United States, including blacks' relations with government, whites, political parties, public policy, and electoral politics.
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POLI_SCI 328-0 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.
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POLI_SCI 329-0 U.S. Environmental Politics (1 Unit)
Political problems associated with human impact on natural environment; pollution, natural resources, public lands, land use, energy, and population.
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POLI_SCI 331-0 Politics of the Supreme Court (1 Unit)
Operation of appellate courts, with emphasis on the US Supreme Court. Decision making by appellate courts and the development of public policy.
Prerequisite: POLI_SCI 220-0 or POLI_SCI 230-0.
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POLI_SCI 332-0 Constitutional Law I (1 Unit)
Introduction to interpretation of the US Constitution by the Supreme Court. Judicial review, federalism, congressional and executive authority, separation of powers. Taught with LEGAL_ST 332-0; may not receive credit for both courses.
Prerequisite: POLI_SCI 220-0 or POLI_SCI 230-0.
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POLI_SCI 333-0 Constitutional Law II: Civil and Political Rights (1 Unit)
Consideration of US Supreme Court decisions dealing with civil and political rights, including equality, freedom of speech, and freedom of religion. Taught with LEGAL_ST 333-0; may not receive credit for both courses.
Prerequisite: POLI_SCI 220-0, POLI_SCI 230-0 or consent of instructor.
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POLI_SCI 334-0 Latino Politics (1 Unit) Implications of Latino politics including contemporary social and political developments of Latino communities in the United States from a comparative urban framework. Focus on Mexican and Cuban Americans and Puerto Ricans. POLI_SCI 334-0 taught with LATINO 334-0; may not receive credit for both. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl U.S. Perspectives on Power, Justice, and Equity*

POLI_SCI 335-0 Political Psychology (1 Unit) Examination of mental processes that underpin political judgments. Origins of political views, influence of parties and news media, decision-making heuristics and biases. Emphasis on ordinary citizens; some attention to elites.
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POLI_SCI 336-0 Immigration Politics and Policy (1 Unit) Introduction to immigration politics in the U.S. with a focus on policies, public opinion, participation, and mobilization. Emphasis on relationships between nativity, citizenship status, legal status, and race/ethnicity. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl U.S. Perspectives on Power, Justice, and Equity*

POLI_SCI 337-0 Gender and Politics (1 Unit) This class investigates how gender shapes politics and policy and how these in turn shape gender with a focus on the United States in comparative and global context. It analyzes the gendered character of citizenship, political participation and representation, and social and economic rights. It aims to understand gendered politics from both "top down" and "bottom up" perspectives.
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POLI_SCI 338-0 Labor in America (1 Unit) This advanced seminar examines how capitalism, law, politics, public policy, and issues of race, ethnicity, and gender shape workers' rights and capacities to mobilize in collective action since the U.S. founding. Emphasis on employer power, legacies of slavery, labor's orientation toward immigration, rise and fall of unions, declining quality of low-wage work, emergence of new forms of organizing. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl U.S. Perspectives on Power, Justice, and Equity*

POLI_SCI 340-0 International Relations Theory (1 Unit) This course examines issues in contemporary international politics and applies conceptual frames to understand them. Explores questions of power, sovereignty, and empire in the context of conflict, peace and security, international law, and international organizations. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 341-0 International Political Economy (1 Unit) Introduction to the politics of international economic relations. Roots and evolution of the international political economy. Politics of the international rules, institutions, and ideas governing trade, monetary and financial relations, development, and economic statecraft. Prerequisite: POLI_SCI 240-0 or consent of instructor. *Global Perspectives on Power, Justice, and Equity SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 342-0 International Organizations (1 Unit)
An examination of the politics, law, and history of international organizations from the 20th century to the present. Emphasis on the main inter-governmental organizations including the United Nations, the WTO, the WHO, and international courts. POLI_SCI 342-0 and LEGAL_ST 342-0 are taught together; may not receive credit for both courses.

Prerequisite: POLI_SCI 240-0 or consent of instructor.
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POLI_SCI 343-0 Politics of International Law (1 Unit) Non-utopian political science analysis of how law is used to promote collective goals and regulate international relations. *Global Perspectives on Power, Justice, and Equity SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 344-0 U.S. Foreign Policy (1 Unit) How US foreign policy is formulated, executed, and contested. Topics include democracy promotion, nuclear proliferation, foreign aid, the rise of China, US-Russia relations, terrorism, humanitarian intervention, and cyberwarfare. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 345-0 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.
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POLI_SCI 346-0 European Union in International Affairs (1 Unit)
Introduction to the institutions and policies of the European Union today.
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POLI_SCI 347-0 Ethics in International Relations (1 Unit)
Role of ethical considerations in international relations: where and when ethical questions are raised and by whom; causes and predictability of tensions between the ethics and self-interests of nations and political figures.
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POLI_SCI 348-0 Globalization (1 Unit) Political foundations of global markets for goods and services, production, finance, and workers. Implications of market globalization for national politics, institutions, and societies in Global Northern and Southern contexts. Prerequisite: POLI_SCI 240-0 or equivalent or consent of instructor. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 349-0 International Environmental Politics (1 Unit)
International cooperation and conflict resolution of global and transnational environmental problems such as climate change. Role of political, economic, and normative considerations in the formation of politically feasible solutions to international environmental problems. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro*

POLI_SCI 350-0 Social Movements (1 Unit) Theory and case studies examining the processes shaping collective challenges to authority. Topics include causes and mechanics of mobilization, the contexts in which movements emerge, repression and violence, strategies, and determinants of movement outcomes. *Global Perspectives on Power, Justice, and Equity SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 351-0 Politics of the Middle East (1 Unit) Survey of politics and political history of the Middle East and North Africa from World War I to the present. Topics include state building, authoritarianism, political economy, the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, and the causes, trajectories, and aftermath of the 2011 Arab uprisings. *Global Perspectives on Power, Justice, and Equity SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 352-0 Global Development (1 Unit) Exploration of the economic and social changes constituting development, focusing on comparison between the historical experience in Europe and more recent processes in Africa, Asia, and Latin America. SOCIOL 317-0 and POLI_SCI 352-0 are taught together; may not receive credit for both courses. *Global Perspectives on Power, Justice, and Equity SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 353-0 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.
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POLI_SCI 354-0 Politics of Southeast Asia (1 Unit)
Political economy of selected Southeast Asian countries, 1945 to present. Important themes include oligarchy and human rights.
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POLI_SCI 355-0 Politics of China (1 Unit)
Overview of modern China?s politics and society through historical, comparative, and global perspectives. Surveys Chinese history from the fall of the Qing dynasty through the communist era, China?s economic reform and single-party rule, as well as challenges confronting China and the world today, including pollution, inequality, nationalism, and technological change.
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POLI_SCI 356-0 Constitutional Challenges in Comparative Perspective (1 Unit) Constitutional controversies and resolutions in liberal democracies. Constitutional traditions and governance, rule of law, legitimacy and authority in diverse societies, human rights, social transformation. POLI_SCI 356-0 and LEGAL_ST 356-0 are taught together; may not receive credit for both courses. *Global Perspectives on Power, Justice, and Equity SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 358-SA Contemporary South Africa: A Political Economy/ Policy Perspective (1 Unit) Analysis of the political outcomes of South Africa's transition to democracy, democratic consolidation, the state of the South African political economy, and major policy issues, such as gender equality and HIV/AIDS. Restricted to students in Northwestern's South Africa program. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro*

POLI_SCI 359-0 Politics of Africa (1 Unit)
Political structures and behaviour ; power relatoon ; political regimes ; development of modern political systems.
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POLI_SCI 361-0 Democracy and Autocracy (1 Unit)
Theories of the emergence and breakdown of democracy as well as of tensions between democratic and autocratic governance in contemporary democratic regimes. Comparisons of case studies in developed and developing countries.
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POLI_SCI 362-0 Politics of Europe (1 Unit)
Political development of Europe from the Peace of Westphalia to the European Union. Focus on states and state-making, regime types, economic development, and nationalism.

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POLI_SCI 363-SA The Political Economy of the European Union (1 Unit) The political production, structure, and regulation of economic activity in the EU. Restricted to students in Northwestern's Paris program. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro*

POLI_SCI 364-SA France: Politics, Culture, & Society (1 Unit) Introduction to French politics in the framework of European integration. Covers French efforts to promote integration and France's role in the international system and adaptation to the EU. Restricted to students in Northwestern's Paris program. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 365-SA Decision Making in the European Union (1 Unit) Analysis, by lecture and simulation, of the EU's complicated institutional structure for political decision making. Restricted to students in Northwestern's Paris program. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro*

POLI_SCI 366-SA The Dynamics of Law Making in the European Union (1 Unit) Examination of the dynamics of law making in the EU and conflict/balance between domestic and regional law. Restricted to students in Northwestern's Paris program. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro*

POLI_SCI 368-0 Political Economy of Development (1 Unit) Major analytical perspectives of modern political economy seen through concrete problems of development and underdevelopment in the least developed countries. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro*

POLI_SCI 369-0 Politics of Post-Soviet Russia and Ukraine (1 Unit) Analysis of Russia's and Ukraine's political and economic revolutions after the collapse of the Soviet Union. Examines key concepts in comparative politics, such as revolution, regime change, market formation, nationalism, and state building. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro*

POLI_SCI 373-0 Chinese Foreign Policy (1 Unit) Basic dynamics of Chinese foreign policy toward a variety of countries and regions. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro*

POLI_SCI 374-0 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. *Global Perspectives on Power, Justice, and Equity SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 376-0 Civil Wars (1 Unit) Focus on post-Cold War increase in civil wars, including causes and consequences of internal wars, and theories of conflict. Examines recent and contemporary civil wars to illustrate applications of theories and better understand current events. *Global Perspectives on Power, Justice, and Equity SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 377-0 Drugs and Politics (1 Unit) This course studies the links between illegal drugs and politics. From the politics of local communities to international public policy, the production, distribution, and consumption of illicit drugs affect individual behavior, local and national institutions, markets, and international relations. The course focuses on North, Central, and South America. *Global Perspectives on Power, Justice, and Equity SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 378-0 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. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 380-0 Political Communication (1 Unit) Nature and functions of communication within established political institutions; decision making strategies, deliberative discourse, and electoral campaigns; field study of advocacy and interest groups. POLI_SCI 380-0 and COMM_ST 380-0 are taught together; may not receive credit for both. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 382-0 Religion, Law, & Politics: Politics of Religious Diversity (1 Unit) This course teaches how to think critically, comparatively, and globally about intersections of religion, law, and politics. It considers how religious, legal, and political traditions intersect and interact in states and societies. Organized around legal cases and supporting materials in the Teaching Law and Religion Case Study Archive. RELIGION 382-0 taught with POLI_SCI 382-0; may not receive credit for both. *Ethical and Evaluative Thinking Foundational Disci SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl U.S. Perspectives on Power, Justice, and Equity*

POLI_SCI 383-0 War and Change in International Politics (1 Unit) Historical and contemporary forms of international order. Western and non-Eurocentric systems; how international order emerges; whether the post-1945 order will change. *Global Perspectives on Power, Justice, and Equity SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 384-0 International Responses to Mass Atrocities (1 Unit) How the international community can respond to mass atrocities and human rights violations. *Global Perspectives on Power, Justice, and Equity SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 385-0 Negotiation and Conflict Resolution (1 Unit) This interactive course explores principles of negotiation and conflict resolution. Through simulations, students learn the substance and process of negotiations while crafting creative solutions. Explores negotiations theory, including positional and principled negotiation, multi-party and cross-cultural negotiation, and hard bargaining. Applying course concepts, students assess real-world political negotiations from domestic and international politics. Prerequisites: POLI_SCI 220-0, POLI_SCI 240-0, or POLI_SCI 250-0. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 388-0 Institutions and Society (1 Unit) Institutions in a broad societal context. How institutional frameworks apply to government, family, education, and the environment; implications of institutions. POLI_SCI 388-0 and SOCIOL 288-0 are taught together; may not receive credit for both courses. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro Social and Behavioral Science Foundational Discipl*

POLI_SCI 389-0 Understanding Genocide (1 Unit) Key debates in the comparative study of genocide. Why genocide occurs, why people become killers, how these processes relate to each other. POLI_SCI 389-0 and SOCIOL 379-0 are taught together; may not receive credit for both courses. *SoC Individual and Social Behavior Distro*

POLI_SCI 390-0 Special Topics in Political Science (1 Unit) Designed for investigation of topics of interest to students and faculty that are not covered by other course offerings. May be repeated for credit with change of topic.
SOC Additional Distro

POLI_SCI 394-LK Professional Linkage Seminar (1 Unit) Varied political topics taught by practitioners.

POLI_SCI 395-0 Political Research Seminar (1 Unit) Required of all political science majors; ordinarily taken during junior or senior year. *Advanced Expression*

POLI_SCI 398-1 Senior Thesis Seminar (1 Unit) Two consecutive quarters (fall and winter) during which students work on their senior theses. Prerequisite: POLI_SCI 395-0 and admission to the honors program. *Advanced Expression*

POLI_SCI 398-2 Senior Thesis Seminar (1 Unit) Two consecutive quarters (fall and winter) during which students work on their senior theses. Prerequisite: POLI_SCI 395-0 and admission to the honors program. *Advanced Expression*

POLI_SCI 399-0 Independent Study (1 Unit) Study and research projects carried out under faculty supervision. A written proposal, signed by the professor with whom the student will study, should be submitted to the director of undergraduate studies. Consent of department required. *SOC Additional Distro*