2020-2021 Graduate Calendar

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The University will not be liable for any failure or delay in performance arising out of any cause or causes beyond its reasonable control. Such causes may include but are not limited to fire, strike, lock-out, inability to procure materials or trades, war, mass-casualty event, flood, local, regional or global outbreak of disease or other public health emergency, social distancing or quarantine restriction, legislative or regulatory requirements, unusually severe weather, failure of public utility or common carrier, or attacks or other malicious act, including but not limited to attacks on or through the internet, or any internet service, telecommunications provider or hosting facility.

In March 2020 the World Health Organization declared a global pandemic of the virus leading to COVID-19. The Governments of Canada, the Province of Ontario, and local Governments responded to the pandemic with legislative amendments, controls, orders, by-laws, requests and requirements (collectively, the "Governmental Response"). It is uncertain how long the pandemic, and the related Governmental Response, will continue, and it is unknown whether there may be a resurgence of the virus leading to COVID-19 or any mutation thereof (collectively, the "Virus") and resulting or supplementary renewed Government Response. Without limiting the foregoing paragraph, the University shall not be liable for costs associated with any failure or delay in performance arising out of:

a. the continued spread of the Virus;

b. the continuation of or renewed Governmental Response to control the spread of the Virus; and

c. a University decision, made on an organization-wide basis and in good faith, to control the spread of the Virus, even if exceeding the then current specific Government Response.

In particular, the COVID-19 pandemic may necessitate a revision of the format of course offerings such that courses are offered in whole or in part on an alternate delivery model to in-person classes. Tuition and mandatory fees have been set regardless of the method of instruction and will not be refunded in the event instruction occurs remotely for any part of the academic year.

Dates or times of performance including the Schedule of Dates may be extended as appropriate and the University will notify students promptly of the existence and nature of such delay and shall, so far as practicable, use reasonable efforts to minimize and mitigate any such delay or non-performance.

In the event of a discrepancy between a print version (downloaded) and the Web version, the Web version will apply,

The University of Guelph reaffirms section 1 of the Ontario Human Rights Code, 1981, which prohibits discrimination on the grounds of race, ancestry, place of origin, colour, ethnic origin, citizenship, creed, sex, sexual orientation, handicap, age, marital status or family status.

The university encourages applications from women, aboriginal peoples, visible minorities, persons with disabilities, and members of other under-represented groups.

Introduction

Collection, Use and Disclosure of Personal Information

Personal information is collected under the authority of the University of Guelph Act (1964), and in accordance with Ontario's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/DBLaws/Statutes/English/90f31_e.htm. This information is used by University officials in order to carry out their authorized academic and administrative responsibilities and also to establish a relationship for alumni and development purposes. Certain personal information is disclosed to external agencies, including the Ontario Universities Application Centre, the Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development, and Statistics Canada, for statistical and planning purposes, and is disclosed to other individuals or organizations in accordance with the Office of Registrarial Services Departmental Policy on the Release of Student Information. For details on the use and disclosure of this information call the Office of Registrarial Services at the University at (519) 824-4120 or see https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/

Statistics Canada - Notification of Disclosure

For further information, please see Statistics Canada's web site at http://www.statcan.gc.ca and Section XIV Statistics Canada.

Address for University Communication

Depending on the nature and timing of the communication, the University may use one of these addresses to communicate with students. Students are, therefore, responsible for checking all of the following on a regular basis:

Email Address

The University issued email address is considered an official means of communication with the student and will be used for correspondence from the University. Students are responsible for monitoring their University-issued email account regularly.

Home Address

Students are responsible for maintaining a current mailing address with the University. Address changes can be made, in writing, through Registrarial Services.

Name Changes

The University of Guelph is committed to the integrity of its student records, therefore, each student is required to provide either on application for admission or on personal data forms required for registration, their complete, legal name. Any requests to change a name, by means of alteration, deletion, substitution or addition, must be accompanied by appropriate supporting documentation.

Student Confidentiality and Release of Student Information Policy Excerpt

The University undertakes to protect the privacy of each student and the confidentiality of their record. To this end the University shall refuse to disclose personal information to any person other than the individual to whom the information relates where disclosure would constitute an unjustified invasion of the personal privacy of that person or of any other individual. All members of the University community must respect the confidential nature of the student information which they acquire in the course of their work.

Complete policy at https://www.uoguelph.ca/secretariat/office-services/university-secretariat/university-policies .

Learning Outcomes

Graduate Degree Learning Outcomes

On May 27, 2013, the University of Guelph Senate approved the following five University-wide Learning Outcomes as the basis from which to guide the development of graduate degree programs, specializations and courses:

1. Critical and Creative Thinking
2. Literacy
3. Global Understanding
4. Communication
5. Professional and Ethical Behaviour

These learning outcomes are also intended to serve as a framework through which our educational expectations are clear to students and the broader public; and to inform the process of outcomes assessment through the quality assurance process (regular reviews) of programs and departments.

An on-line guide to the learning outcomes, links to the associated skills, and detailed rubrics designed to support the development and assessment of additional program and discipline-specific outcomes, are available for reference on the Learning Outcomes website

Critical and Creative Thinking

Critical and creative thinking is a concept in which one applies logical principles, after much inquiry and analysis, to solve problems with a high degree of innovation, divergent thinking and risk taking. Those mastering this outcome show evidence of integrating knowledge and applying this knowledge across disciplinary boundaries. Depth and breadth of understanding of disciplines is essential to this outcome. At the graduate level, originality in the application of knowledge (master's) and undertaking of research (doctoral) is expected.

In addition, Critical and Creative Thinking includes, but is not limited to, the following outcomes: Independent Inquiry and Analysis; Problem Solving; Creativity; and Depth and Breadth of Understanding.

Literacy

Literacy is the ability to extract information from a variety of resources, assess the quality and validity of the material, and use it to discover new knowledge. The comfort in using quantitative literacy also exists in this definition, as does using technology effectively and developing visual literacy.

In addition, Literacy includes, but is not limited to, the following outcomes: Information Literacy, Quantitative Literacy, Technological Literacy, and Visual Literacy.

Global Understanding

Global understanding encompasses the knowledge of cultural similarities and differences, the context (historical, geographical, political and environmental) from which these arise, and how they are manifest in modern society. Global understanding is exercised as civic engagement, intercultural competence and the ability to understand an academic discipline outside of the domestic context.

In addition, Global Understanding includes, but is not limited to, the following outcomes: Global Understanding, Sense of Historical Development, Civic Knowledge and Engagement, and Intercultural Competence.

Communication

Communication is the ability to interact effectively with a variety of individuals and groups, and convey information successfully in a variety of formats including oral and written communication. Communication also comprises attentiveness and listening, as well as reading comprehension. It includes the ability to communicate and synthesize information, arguments, and analyses accurately and reliably.

In addition, Communication includes, but is not limited to, the following outcomes: Oral Communication, Written Communication, Reading Comprehension, and Integrative Communication.

Professional and Ethical Behaviour

Professional and ethical behaviour requires the ability to accomplish the tasks at hand with proficient skills in teamwork and leadership, while remembering ethical reasoning behind all decisions. The ability for organizational and time management skills is essential in bringing together all aspects of managing self and others. Academic integrity is central to mastery in this outcome. At the graduate level, intellectual independence is needed for professional and academic development and engagement.

In addition, Professional and Ethical Behaviour includes, but is not limited to, the following outcomes: Teamwork, Ethical Reasoning, Leadership, Personal Organization and Time Management, and Intellectual Independence.

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Political Science

The Department of Political Science offers MA and PhD programs in the following fields:

- Rights, Justice, Citizenship, and Identity (MA)
- Canadian Politics (PhD)
- Comparative Politics (PhD)
- Gender, Race, Indigeneity, and Sexuality (PhD)
- International Relations (PhD)
- Law and Politics (PhD)
- Public Policy and Governance (PhD)

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MA Program

The MA program revolves around the field of Rights, Justice, Citizenship, and Identity while allowing flexibility for students to pursue their various interests. Within the broader framework of Rights, Justice, Citizenship and Identity, the Department has particular strengths in Public Policy and Administration and Global Justice and Politics and offers a number of courses related to those topics.

Our broad range of course offerings and routes to complete the degree allow students to tailor their experience towards their future employment or academic goals. Graduates of the program are engaged in a wide range of careers with academic institutions, government and public sector agencies, non-governmental organizations, and industry.

Application Procedure

Program offices should be consulted for admission deadlines and required documents https://www.uoguelph.ca/polisci/masters/how-apply . Complete application submission instructions can be found at http://www.uoguelph.ca/graduatestudies/apply

Graduate students are admitted each Fall semester.

Admission Requirements

The department requires an Honours BA degree (4 years) in political science (or its equivalent) with at least a 'B+' average for consideration for admission to the program. A methodology course equivalent to The Systematic Study of Politics, POLS*3650, in the Department of Political Science undergraduate program, is necessary for admission to the graduate program. Students not satisfying this requirement may be admitted with the provision that it be satisfied by completing the requisite extra course.

Program Requirements

Students enroll in one of three study options: 1) course work only, 2) course work and major research paper or 3) course work and thesis.

Thesis

In order to satisfy the degree requirements, the student will complete three courses plus the Communications seminar (POLS*6900), the Research Design and Methods course (POLS*6940) and complete a Thesis.

Three courses with at least two of them from the following core courses:

POLS*6050	[0.50]	The Politics of Identity
POLS*6130	[0.50]	Rights and Public Policy
POLS*6150	[0.50]	Constitutionalism and Judicial Politics
POLS*6400	[0.50]	Citizenship and Social Policy
POLS*6510	[0.50]	Political Participation and Engagement
POLS*6730	[0.50]	Development and Global Justice

Plus

POLS*6900	[0.25]	Communications
POLS*6940	[0.75]	Research Design and Methods

or an approved equivalent from another department

A thesis of approximately 10,000 to 15,000 words (approximately 80 to 100 double-spaced pages). The written thesis is defended in an oral examination.

Course Work and Major Research Paper

In order to satisfy the degree requirements, the student will complete four courses plus the Research Design and Methods course POLS*6940, a Communications seminar POLS*6900, for a total of six courses and complete the Major Research Paper POLS*6970.

Four courses with at least two of them from the following core courses:

POLS*6050	[0.50]	The Politics of Identity
POLS*6130	[0.50]	Rights and Public Policy
POLS*6150	[0.50]	Constitutionalism and Judicial Politics
POLS*6400	[0.50]	Citizenship and Social Policy
POLS*6510	[0.50]	Political Participation and Engagement
POLS*6730	[0.50]	Development and Global Justice

Plus

POLS*6900	[0.25]	Communications
POLS*6940	[0.75]	Research Design and Methods

or an approved equivalent from another department

POLS*6970	[1.00]	Major Paper

The research paper is approximately 10,000 to 12,500 words (approximately 40 to 50 double-spaced pages).

Course Work

In order to satisfy the degree requirements, the student will complete the Research Methods course POLS*6940 and the Communications seminar POLS*6900, plus five additional courses.

Five courses with at least three of them from the following core courses:

POLS*6050	[0.50]	The Politics of Identity
POLS*6130	[0.50]	Rights and Public Policy
POLS*6150	[0.50]	Constitutionalism and Judicial Politics
POLS*6400	[0.50]	Citizenship and Social Policy
POLS*6510	[0.50]	Political Participation and Engagement
POLS*6730	[0.50]	Development and Global Justice

Plus

POLS*6940   [0.75]   Research Design and Methods
or an approved equivalent from another department
POLS*6900   [0.25]   Communications

PhD Program

The PhD program offers students the opportunity to pursue studies in six fields: 1) Canadian Politics; 2) Comparative politics; 3) Gender, Race, Indigeneity, and Sexuality; 4) International Relations; 5) Law and Politics; and 6) Public Policy and Governance. Students are required to major in one field and minor in the other. The Department has wide-ranging and various expertise in each of the fields—please consult the Department's website for more information.

The PhD program is designed both for students interested in pursuing academic positions and also for students interested in working in research capacities in the public, non-profit or private sectors.

Application Procedure

Graduate students are admitted each Fall semester. Program offices should be consulted for admission deadlines and required documents https://www.uoguelph.ca/polisci/masters/how-apply . All applications must be submitted on-line. Complete application submission instructions can be found at http://www.uoguelph.ca/graduatestudies/apply

Admission Requirements

Students are expected to have a completed an MA in Political Science with at least an A- average for consideration for admission to the program. Students with a MA in a Social Science other than Political Science, are encouraged to apply on the condition that they take additional courses upon their entry into the program.

Program Requirements

Students will be required to successfully complete a minimum of six graduate courses:

- Two PhD field courses, one course in the student's major field and one course in the minor field (selected in consultation with the student's Advisor)
- Two research methods courses:

  POLS*6940   [0.75]   Research Design and Methods
  POLS*6500   [0.50]   Qualitative and Quantitative Data Analysis
- Two elective courses
- A written qualifying exam and an oral qualifying exam.

  The qualifying examination will take the form of a written take-home examination followed by an oral examination and will be based on the reading lists for the core courses in the major and minor field. Normally the examination will involve three questions based on the major field of study and two questions from the minor field.
- A thesis

  Each candidate will be required to write and submit a thesis on the research carried out by the candidate on a topic approved by the Advisory Committee. The thesis is expected to be a significant contribution to knowledge in its field and the candidate must indicate in what ways it is a contribution. A thesis is expected to be no less than 200 double-spcaed pages in length. The thesis must demonstrate mature scholarship and critical judgement on the part of the candidate, and it must indicate an ability to express oneself in a satisfactory literary style. Approval of the thesis is taken to imply that it is judged to be sufficiently meritorious to warrant publication in reputable scholarly media in the field.

Collaborative Specializations

International Development Studies

The Department of Political Science participates in the MA in International Development Studies (IDS) collaborative specialization. Please consult the International Development Studies listing for a detailed description of the MA collaborative specialization including the special additional requirements for each of the participating departments.

IDS graduates hold positions in government in Canada and abroad with NGOs, international organizations and private consultancies. Many also enter PhD programs.

The Department of Political Science also participates in the PhD collaborative specialization in International Development Studies (IDS), which provides an opportunity to engage in interdisciplinary study of international development issues. Applications are part of the general PhD application, and go directly to the Political Science Department. In addition to the Political Science PhD requirements, IDS applicants are expected to have a strong background in the social sciences, a demonstrable track record of experience in the course-based study of development issues, development research and/or development practice and a stated research interest relating to international development. The IDS designation also requires two core courses in international development theory and research methods. Please consult the International Development Studies listing for more information about the requirements and expectations of the PhD collaborative specialization in IDS.

One Health

The Department of Political Science participates in the collaborative specialization in One Health. Master's and Doctoral students wishing to undertake thesis research or their major research paper/project with an emphasis on one health are eligible to apply to register concurrently in Political Science and the collaborative specialization. Students should consult the One Health listing for more information.

Courses

Note

A number of graduate courses are cross-listed with intensive, senior undergraduate seminars. In these cross-listed offerings, which are identified as such in the course descriptions below, course and grading expectations will be tailored to graduate students.

POLS*6050 The Politics of Identity U [0.50]

This course engages theoretical approaches of identity and identity politics in the global north and/or south. Topics may include contestation over indigenous, racial, ethnic, cultural, sexual, gender, and women's rights.

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POLS*6120 Theories of International Relations U [0.50]

This course examines Western and non-Western theories of international relations, such as realism, liberalism, and constructivism, as well as Marxist, critical, indigenous and gender approaches. It will engage with established and emerging theories, exploring contestation and debates within the discipline.

Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6130 Rights and Public Policy U [0.50]

Students will study how individual rights can be restricted, protected or expanded through public policy, and how rights considerations and discourse may shape policy and the policy process.

Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6150 Constitutionalism and Judicial Politics U [0.50]

This course investigates how the constitution and the judiciary affect political processes and decision-making, and how politics shape constitutions and judicial process. Canadian or comparative examples will be examined.

Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6160 Multi-Level Governance in Canada U [0.50]

This course considers the evolving relationship among levels of government in Canada. The growth of cities, the growth of policy responsibilities of provinces, the influence of international organizations, and the development of Indigenous governments in Canada all challenge the conventional study of federal-provincial relations in Canada. From year to year, this course examines one or several of these contemporary dynamics. Offered in conjunction with POLS*4160. Extra work is required for graduate students.

Restriction(s):   Credit may be obtained for only one of POLS*4160 or POLS*6160
Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6170 Courts and Parliament U [0.50]

The course critically examines the complex relationship between the judiciary and representative institutions. By comparing the treatment of current political controversies (assisted suicide, prostitution, drug treatment), students will better appreciate the often-subtle exchanges between the two institutions and further enhance their research abilities in regards to both legal and legislative processes. Offered in conjunction with POLS*4070. Extra work is required for graduate students.

Restriction(s):   Credit may be obtained for only one of POLS*4070 or POLS*6170
Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6180 Women, Justice and Public Policy U [0.50]

This course will use gender-based analysis in examining a series of justice and public policy issues affecting the lives of women, including equality rights, pay and employment equity, domestic violence, sexual assault, family policy, health care policy, and pornography. Offered in conjunction with POLS*4100. Extra work is required for graduate students.

Restriction(s):   Credit may be obtained for only one of POLS*4100 or POLS*6180
Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6200 Law and Politics U [0.50]

This course explores advanced topics in law and politics depending on the interests of the instructor. Potential topics include investigating the law and politics of social change or analyzing debates about the political power of courts in Canada or in comparative perspectives. Offered in conjunction with POLS*4050. Extra work is required for graduate students.

Restriction(s):   Credit may be obtained for only one of POLS*4050 or POLS*6200
Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6210 Conceptions of Canada U [0.50]

This course will explore evolving conceptions of Canadian identity and nationalism through consideration of political culture, institutions and constitutional arrangements. Possible topics include: multiculturalism, aboriginal identity and community, Quebec nationalism, social citizenship, rights and representation, as well as Canada's global role and significance.

Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6380 State-Building and Regime Change U [0.50]

Students will explore theories of states, regimes, state-building, regime change, and democratization. The course critically engages dominant debates and reviews empirical examples.

Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6390 Resource Scarcity and Conflict U [0.50]

This course examines domestic, international and global dimensions of environmental governance and resource conflict, as well as stakeholder perspectives on resource politics. Topics may include climate change; the resource curse; commodity production, trade and consumption; food and human security; political ecology and extractive industries.

Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6400 Citizenship and Social Policy U [0.50]

Students will study citizenship and the allocation of social goods through social policies. Normative debates, theoretical frameworks, and empirical perspectives in a range of social policy fields – such as health care, pensions, childcare, education, and housing - may be examined.

Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6500 Qualitative and Quantitative Data Analysis U [0.50]

This course introduces both qualitative and quantitative methods of data analysis. Students will engage theoretical material on the subject and develop data analysis skills through practice.

Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6510 Political Participation and Engagement U [0.50]

Students will study how individual citizens engage in the political process. Informal channels such as social movements or more formal organizations such as interest groups and political parties may be examined.

Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6520 International Political Economy U [0.50]

The course relies on theoretical approaches in IPE to examine relationships between politics and economics across national and regional levels. The evolution of the global political economy and its governance structures is explored, as well as contemporary debates about globalization and state and non-state actors' responses. Issue-areas may include: money and power, technology, trade, development and the environment. Offered in conjunction with POLS*4200. Extra work is required for graduate students.

Restriction(s):   Credit may be obtained for only one of POLS*4200 or POLS*6520
Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6530 Human Rights, Ethics and Development U [0.50]

This course will examine the political and ethical consequences of adopting a human rights framework in national and international contexts by both state and non-state actors. This subject will be explored from a range of historical, theoretical and practical perspectives. Offered in conjunction with POLS*4300. Extra work is required for graduate students.

Restriction(s):   Credit may be obtained for only one of POLS*4300 or POLS*6530
Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6540 Topics in Comparative Politics U [0.50]

This course considers theories and problems in comparative politics and government in developing and industrialized countries. The geographical and theoretical focus of the course will reflect the interests of the instructor. Offered in conjunction with POLS*4710. Extra work is required for graduate students.

Restriction(s):   Credit may be obtained for only one of POLS*4710 or POLS*6540
Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6550 Topics in Public Management U [0.50]

This course will examine various topics related to governance, such as public management reform, public sector leadership, third sector organizations or budgeting and human resources. Offered in conjunction with POLS*4250. Extra work is required for graduate students.

Restriction(s):   Credit may be obtained for only one of POLS*4250 or POLS*6550
Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6560 Topics in Public Policy U [0.50]

This course will examine various public policy issues such as social policy or health care policy in a Canadian or comparative context. Offered in conjunction with POLS*4260. Extra work is required for graduate students.

Restriction(s):   Credit may be obtained for only one of POLS*4260 or POLS*6560
Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6570 International Relations of the Middle East U [0.50]

This course is designed as an advanced introduction to the international relations of the Middle East. The course focuses on theories of international relations and their applicability to specific case studies of Middle Eastern politics. The course provides a critical examination of conflicts in the region, and contextualizes those conflicts within both realist and neo-realist theories of international relations. Offered in conjunction with POLS*4730. Extra work is required for graduate students.

Restriction(s):   Credit may be obtained for only one of POLS*4730 or POLS*6570
Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6580 Topics in International Relations U [0.50]

This course considers theories and problems in the field of International Relations. The theoretical and/or geographical focus of the course will reflect the interests of the instructor. Offered in conjunction with POLS*4720. Extra work is required for graduate students.

Restriction(s):   Credit may be obtained for only one of POLS*4720 or POLS*6580
Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6590 Advanced Topics in Rights and Liberties U [0.50]

The course explores rights and liberties from various perspectives depending on the interests of the instructor. Potential topics include exploring the political, social, and legal factors and theories that explain the development of rights and liberties; rights and liberties in a comparative and international context; or the philosophical and policy debates surrounding rights and liberties. Offered in conjunction with POLS*4740. Extra work is required for graduate students.

Restriction(s):   Credit may be obtained for only one of POLS*4740 or POLS*6590
Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6630 Approaches to Public Policy Analysis U [0.50]

This course introduces students to the main theoretical approaches utilized in understanding public policy making and outcomes. Throughout the course, particular attention is paid to varying conceptions of institutions, ideas and interest and the role of these conceptions in various explanations of policy change and stasis.

Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6640 Canadian Public Administration: Public Sector Management U [0.50]

This course examines the growth of the administrative state in Canada, especially in the post World War II period. It critically reviews issues such as the concept of public sector management, the delegation of authority, personnel management, accountability and the ethics of ministers and officials to Parliament and the publi

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POLS*6730 Development and Global Justice U [0.50]

Students will study Western and non-Western theoretical perspectives on the politics of development and global justice. Topics may include human rights and development, global inequality, environmental justice, indigenous politics, humanitarian ethics, intercultural competency, and faith-based development.

Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6820 PhD Field Course in Canadian Politics U [0.50]

Students will help to identify and critically engage with key scholarship in the field of Canadian Politics. The course will provide a breadth of understanding of the field, but a portion of the Canadian reading list can be tailored to the student's particular interests.

Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6830 PhD Field Course in Comparative Politics U [0.50]

Students will help to identify and critically engage with key scholarship in the field of Comparative Politics. The course will provide a breadth of understanding of the field, but a portion of the reading list can be tailored to the student's particular interests.

Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6840 PhD Field Course in Gender, Race, Indigeneity, and Sexuality U [0.50]

Students will help to identify and critically engage with key scholarship relating to Gender, Race, Indigeneity and Sexuality. The course will provide a breadth of understanding of the field, but a portion of the reading list can be tailored to the student's particular interests.

Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6850 PhD Field Course in International Relations U [0.50]

Students will help to identify and critically engage with key scholarship relating to International Relations. The course will provide a breadth of understanding of the field, but a portion of the reading list can be tailored to the student's particular interests.

Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6860 PhD Field Course in Law and Politics U [0.50]

Students will help to identify and critically engage with key scholarship relating to Law and Politics. The course will provide a breadth of understanding of the field, but a portion of the reading list can be tailored to the student's particular interests.

Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6870 PhD Field Course in Public Policy and Governance U [0.50]

Students will help to identify and critically engage with key scholarship relating to Public Policy and Governance. The course will provide a breadth of understanding of the field, but a portion of the reading list can be tailored to the student's particular interests.

Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6900 Communications F-W [0.25]

This course trains students in crucial academic skills, in particular writing and presentation skills. Some course elements may be offered through workshops in conjunction with other units, such as the Learning Commons.

Department(s):   Department of Political Science

POLS*6940 Research Design and Methods U [0.75]

This course focuses on the elements of designing and writing a research question and proposal. It examines the principles of research design and research ethics, and surveys the strengths and weaknesses of a variety of methods of data collection.

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POLS*6950 Specialized Topics in Political Studies U [0.50]

This course is intended to be an elective course for students wishing to pursue an area of investigation not covered in the other courses offered by the department. This course may also be chosen by students who want to further pursue a subject area to which they were introduced in a previous course.

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POLS*6960 Directed Readings U [0.50]

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POLS*6970 Major Paper U [1.00]

The major paper is an extensive research paper for those who do not elect to complete a thesis. It may be taken over two semesters. The length of the major paper is not to exceed 10,000 words.

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Students should also consult the fourth year undergraduate course selection. Graduate students, with the approval of the instructor and the Graduate Program Coordinator, may take a fourth year undergraduate course in the Political Science Department. This course is taken as POLS*6950 Specialized Topics. Course requirements are modified so that they are comparable to other courses offered at the graduate level.