DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

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Undergraduate Programs

• Global Studies - B.A.
• Political Science - B.A.

Special Programs (non-degree)

• Columbus Program in Intergovernmental Issues
• Washington Program in National Issues

Minors

• Political Science

Graduate Programs

• Political Science - M.A.
• Political Science - Ph.D.
• Public Administration - M.P.A.

Graduate Certificates

• Nonprofit Management

Department of Political Science Faculty

• Banks, Christopher P. (2006), Professor, Ph.D., University of Virginia, 1995
• Barnes, Andrew S. (2001), Associate Professor and Department Chair, Ph.D., Princeton University, 1999
• Boyd-Swan, Casey (2015), Assistant Professor, Ph.D., Arizona State University, 2015
• Carbonell, Joel R. (2007), Assistant Professor, Ph.D., University of California-Riverside, 2007
• Cassell, Mark K. (1998), Professor, Ph.D., University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1998
• Claassen, Ryan L. (2005), Professor, Ph.D., University of California-Davis, 2005
• Ensley, Michael J. (2009), Associate Professor, Ph.D., Duke University, 2002
• Hawes, Daniel P. (2008), Associate Professor, Ph.D., Texas A&M University, 2008
• Hook, Steven W. (1996), Professor, Ph.D., University of South Carolina, 1993
• Mazzei, Julie M. (2004), Associate Professor, Ph.D., American University, 2006
• Molina, Anthony D. (2013), Assistant Professor, Ph.D., Cleveland State University, 2004
• Paar-Jakli, Gabriella (1991), Assistant Professor, Ph.D., Kent State University, 2010
• Robyn, Richard C. (1994), Associate Professor, Ph.D., Kent State University, 2000
• Stacher, Joshua A. (2008), Associate Professor
• Sykes, Vernon L. (2001), Associate Professor, Ph.D., University of Akron, 2001

Political Science (POL)

POL 10001  INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL SCIENCE  3 Credit Hours
This course introduces the history and structure of political science, including its relationship to neighboring disciplines. This course thus asks what does it mean to study politics? What does it mean to study politics scientifically? What are the consequences of different conceptions of politics?
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 10004  COMPARATIVE POLITICS (DIVG) (KSS)  3 Credit Hours
Introduces the different institutional structures of governance (e.g., parliamentary versus presidential systems) in a range of different states for different types of regimes (e.g. democratic and authoritarian) and at the international level.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Diversity Global, Kent Core Social Sciences, TAG Social and Behavioral Sciences, Transfer Module Social Sciences

POL 10100  AMERICAN POLITICS (DIVD) (KSS)  3 Credit Hours
Covers the basic elements of politics at the national level in the United States: structures, processes, behaviors, institutions, policies. Special emphasis is given to conflicting theories of power as they apply to different economic, sexual and racial groups.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Diversity Domestic, Kent Core Social Sciences, TAG Social and Behavioral Sciences, Transfer Module Social Sciences

POL 10300  PUBLIC POLICY  3 Credit Hours
This course provides a survey of basic public policy concepts and processes within an historical context. It incorporates applied work to bridge conceptual understanding and empirical cases.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 10500  WORLD POLITICS (DIVG) (KSS)  3 Credit Hours
A practical, theoretical introduction to a study of systematic patterns in international relations. Includes analysis of rules, instruments, processes, decision-making factors, conflict resolution.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Diversity Global, Kent Core Social Sciences, TAG Social and Behavioral Sciences, Transfer Module Social Sciences

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POL 10504 THE NEW PANGAEA: YOUR ROLE IN OUR GLOBAL COMMUNITY 3 Credit Hours
Introduces students to the myriad ways in which they are individually and collectively connected to the global community. Looking specifically at ways in which we are interconnected as consumers, patients, donors and participants, the course introduces students to the concepts, institutions and dynamics of globalization. Through assignments that focus on important global issues and engage students directly with the global community, students will (a) learn how to engage the global community as informed consumers of information, (b) understand the basic structure of the global political arena, (c) learn how to engage actively and consciously within that arena and (d) understand the ways in which their daily behavior impacts global trends.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 30000 MAY 4 1970 AND ITS AFTERMATH 3 Credit Hours
(Cross-listed with CACM 30000) Study of the events of the 1960s in the US leading up to May 4, 1970 when the Ohio National Guard killed and wounded KSU students protesting the US war in Vietnam and Cambodia. Topics are considered within their cultural, historical, social and political contexts. Also examines the aftermath of May 4th, including the controversy over constructing the Gym Annex on the May 4th site, the legal trials, the role of commemorations and memorials and the politics of remembering May 4, 1970.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 30001 RESEARCH METHODS (ELR) 3 Credit Hours
This course is designed to bring students to a basic level of “statistical literacy” by introducing the fundamentals of research design and interpretation; as well as to basic descriptive and inferential statistics.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

POL 30002 POLITICAL THOUGHT 3 Credit Hours
This course is designed to introduce the student to basic methodological and substantive concerns in the tradition of western political thought.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 30003 POLITICAL ECONOMY 3 Credit Hours
This course is designed to introduce students to the fundamental questions surrounding the relationship between the public and private sectors, considered from the perspective of the state and its major political institutions. Of central concern is the growing internationalization of capital and its consequences for both domestic and international politics.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 30100 AMERICAN POLITICAL THEORY 3 Credit Hours
Major political ideas and controversies associated with the development of American political thought. Nonmajors should contact the Department of Political Science for a prerequisite override.
Prerequisite: POL 10100.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 30110 THE CONGRESS 3 Credit Hours
This course deals with the powers of Congress, its organization, leadership of the two houses, role of the parties, relationships with the chief executive and the executive agencies and recent reforms enacted by the House and Senate.
Prerequisite: POL 10100.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 30120 PRESIDENCY AND EXECUTIVE BUREAUCRACY 3 Credit Hours
Intensive study of the American Presidency, focusing on personality, organization of the office, use and misuse of power and policy making.
Prerequisite: POL 10100.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 30130 THE JUDICIAL PROCESS 3 Credit Hours
Intensive study of the judicial process in United States and the relationship between the judicial system and the larger American social system. Nonmajors should contact the Department of Political Science for a prerequisite override.
Prerequisite: POL 10100.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 30300 PUBLIC POLICY THEORY 3 Credit Hours
The core issues of public policy process, institutional contexts and ethical considerations form the basis of this introductory survey of traditional and contemporary theories of public policy.
Prerequisite: POL 10300.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 30301 INTRODUCTION TO PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION 3 Credit Hours
Introduction to the theory and practice of governmental administration, including structure, organization, direction and control of governmental departments and agencies.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
POL 30310 PUBLIC POLICY ANALYSIS 3 Credit Hours
Introduces students to the political and economic tools used to analyze public policies and discusses the political elements influencing that analysis. Essentially, the goal is to ensure that students understand the basic economic principles used to evaluate different public policy proposals while questioning the assumptions underlying those economic assumptions.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 30350 ENVIRONMENTAL CONFLICT RESOLUTION 3 Credit Hours
Examines alternative dispute resolution principles applicable to complex, multi-party public sector disputes, especially environmental and land use disputes. Students learn about deliberative democracy, a variety of circle processes, consensus decision-making, collaborative problem-solving, digital dialogue processes, and town hall meeting structures among others. Case studies of environmental conflicts and multi-party mediation simulations are used.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 30430 OHIO POLITICS 3 Credit Hours
Addresses the history, structure, and current practices of politics and public policy in the state of Ohio.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 30450 URBAN POLITICS AND POLICY 3 Credit Hours
Discusses local governance in the context of metropolitan change, and issues such as governing capacity, local democracy, individual choice, and economic and racial inequality. Examines the formal and informal arrangements that shape change and public policy. Nonmajors should contact the Department of Political Science for a prerequisite override.
Prerequisite: POL 10100 or POL 10300.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 30460 STATE POLITICS AND POLICY 3 Credit Hours
Introduces the theoretical and legal infrastructures of federalism and intergovernmental relations, with a particular emphasis on political and policy operations at the state level. Political behavior and institutions, as well as the specifics of selected, substantive policy areas are emphasized.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 30500 INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS THEORY 3 Credit Hours
This course introduces competing theoretical approaches to the study of international relations; an examination of the historical developments followed by an examination of current issues in world politics.
Prerequisite: POL 10500.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 30511 PROBLEMS OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION 3 Credit Hours
Intensive study of major European problems handled by international organizations, including the United Nations and nongovernmental organizations. Combines classroom and field investigations.
Prerequisite: registration in the Geneva Semester required.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 30520 EUROPEAN POLITICS (DIVG) 3 Credit Hours
Examines major European national political systems (British, French, German, Russian and Scandinavian) relations between the European states, the institutions of the European Union and prospects and problems of European integration.
Prerequisite: POL 10004 or POL 10500.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Diversity Global

POL 30530 ASIAN POLITICS (DIVG) 3 Credit Hours
Introduction to the political, economic, and social dynamics of Asia: from Siberia in the north to the Indian Ocean in the south, and from the Pacific Ocean in the east to the Hindu Kush in the west. The first part of the course examines Asia’s modern political history (particularly the past half-century). The second part of the course focuses on contemporary issues, including the roles of the US and sub-regional actors such as ASEAN.
Prerequisite: POL 10004 or POL 10500.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Diversity Global

POL 30540 AFRICAN POLITICS (DIVG) 3 Credit Hours
An analysis of major issues in African politics and international relations. The contemporary development of Africa will be analyzed in the global context of the historical forces of imperialism and colonialism.
Prerequisite: POL 10004 or POL 10500.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Diversity Global

POL 30550 LATIN AMERICAN POLITICS (DIVG) 3 Credit Hours
Analysis of political culture/process in selected Latin American states, with particular emphasis on Mexico, Brazil, Argentina and Columbia.
Prerequisite: POL 10004 or POL 10500.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Diversity Global
POL 30560 MIDDLE EAST POLITICS (DIVG) 3 Credit Hours
Introduces students to the theory and context of politics in the Middle East in a way that contests the often-simplistic stereotypes communicated through western media and throughout western culture, in order to encourage a more nuanced appreciation of the Middle East. Theoretical approaches utilized include modernization, dependency, structuralism and constructivism. 
Prerequisite: POL 10004 or POL 10500.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Diversity Global

POL 30810 POLITICS OF THE GLOBAL ECONOMY 3 Credit Hours
Examines interaction between economics and politics in international relations. Topics: poverty and uneven economic development, political prerequisites for free trade, intra-western and north-south economic conflict, and distributive justice. 
Prerequisite: POL 10004 or POL 10500.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 30820 INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION AND LAW 3 Credit Hours
This course introduces the subject matter in historical and theoretical contexts, then devotes detailed attention to the full range of international organizations that exist today. A final section addresses the role of international law in world politics. 
Prerequisite: POL 10004 or POL 10500.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 30840 NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS 3 Credit Hours
This course introduces the diverse range of nongovernmental organizations which exist today and explores their varying roles in setting agendas, shaping legislation and implementing public policy reforms. 
Prerequisite: POL 10004 or POL 10300 or POL 10500.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 39592 GENEVA INTERNSHIP (ELR) 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit)Allows students to earn academic credit while performing intern’s duties as part of the Semester in Geneva program.
Prerequisite: none.
Schedule Type: Practicum or Internship
Contact Hours: 21 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

POL 40091 VARIABLE TOPIC SEMINAR 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with POL 50091 and POL 70091) Variable topic seminar in political science. Prerequisites: POL 10100 or POL 10300; and POL 10500 or POL 10004; and POL 30001 and Sophomore Standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 40112 POLITICS AND THE MASS MEDIA 3 Credit Hours
This course examines the multiple roles played by the mass media in contemporary politics and analyzes the implications of those roles. Nonmajors should contact the Department of Political Science for a prerequisite override.
Prerequisite: POL 10100.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 40116 PUBLIC OPINION AND POLITICAL BEHAVIOR 3 Credit Hours
Analysis of determinants of public opinion and political behavior. Study of how public makes up its mind and impact of public opinion on government policy. 
Prerequisite: POL 10100.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 40118 POLITICAL PARTIES AND INTEREST GROUPS 3 Credit Hours
An examination of the changing roles of political parties and interest groups in the American political system, including a comparison of their respective electoral activities.
Prerequisite: POL 10100.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 40168 MOOT COURT I 2 Credit Hours
Prepares students for oral advocacy in a simulated court room experience known as moot court. Preparation includes learning pre-trial and trial processes, including case evaluation, legal investigation, discovery and motion practice, and trial processes.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 2 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 40170 MOOT COURT I 2 Credit Hours
Prepares students for oral advocacy in a simulated court room experience known as moot court. Preparation includes learning pre-trial and trial processes, including case evaluation, legal investigation, discovery and motion practice, and trial processes.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 2 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 40171 MOOT COURT II 1 Credit Hour
Prepares students to engage in oral advocacy by using a learning experiential exercise, including a regional competition hosted by the American Collegiate Mock Trial Association, known as Moot Court. Students will perform relevant roles (including case evaluation and strategy, legal investigation, discovery and motion practice, and trial preparation) both in the competition and in preparing a hypothetical case for trial.
Prerequisite: POL 40170.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 1 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
POL 40182 CONSTITUTIONAL LAW: GOVERNMENTAL STRUCTURES AND FUNCTIONS 3 Credit Hours
Nature and scope of constitutional government. Study of judicial review, separation of powers, federalism, commerce and taxation.
Prerequisite: POL 10100.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 40183 CONSTITUTIONAL LAW: CIVIL RIGHTS AND LIBERTIES (DIVD) 3 Credit Hours
Prerequisite: POL 10100.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 40191 SEMINAR IN AMERICAN POLITICS (WIC) 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable with special approval A required, writing-intensive seminar for juniors and seniors in the American politics concentration. The focus of the seminar will vary depending on instructor.
Prerequisite: POL 10100 or 10300; and POL 10004 or 10500; and POL 20001 and POL 20002 or POL 20003; and political science (POL) major.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Diversity Domestic

POL 40320 ETHICS AND PUBLIC POLICY 3 Credit Hours
The ethical obligations of public policy makers are examined in this course, within a series of applied cases. The goal is to empower students with the intellectual tools of critical analysis within diverse policy environments.
Prerequisite: POL 10300.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 40391 SEMINAR IN PUBLIC POLICY (WIC) 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable with special approval A required, writing-intensive seminar for juniors and seniors in the public policy concentration. The focus of the seminar will vary depending on instructor.
Prerequisite: POL 10100 or 10300; and POL 10004 or POL 10500; and POL 20001 and POL 20002 or POL 20003; and political science (POL) major.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Writing Intensive Course

POL 40410 REGULATORY POLICY 3 Credit Hours
Provides an advanced understanding of the nature of government regulation: its definition; the institutions and groups involved in developing it; and current practices. The focus is on analyzing why regulation exists and how regulatory agencies function.
Prerequisite: POL 10100 or POL 10300.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 40440 U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL POLITICS AND POLICIES 3 Credit Hours
This is a course in United States environmental politics and policies. It deals with topics such as the history of the U.S. environmental movement, public opinion and environmental issues, environmental racism and classism, and environmental policy making and implementation.
Prerequisite: POL 10100 or POL 10300.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 40450 HEALTH CARE AND SOCIAL POLICY 3 Credit Hours
Addresses health care policy in the United States from both theoretical (political, economic as well as public policy) and substantive perspectives at the state, national and comparative-international levels. Further, the examination of health care policy takes place in the context of social welfare policy more broadly considered.
Prerequisite: POL 10100 or 10300.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 40470 WOMEN, POLITICS AND POLICY (DIVD) 3 Credit Hours
Examines origins, development and current record of century-old women's movement unique in U.S. annals; compares it with other contemporary social movements. Examines issues of women and public policy.
Prerequisite: POL 10100 or POL 10300.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Diversity Domestic

POL 40530 POLITICS OF WAR 3 Credit Hours
Examines central questions concerning the justification, explanation characteristic features and consequences of war. Specific cases are examined such as World War II, the Chinese Revolution, Vietnam's civil war and potential nuclear war.
Prerequisite: POL 10004 or POL 10500.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Diversity Domestic

POL 40540 POLITICS OF DEVELOPMENT (DIVG) 3 Credit Hours
Examines practice, record and theories of political development for less developed, developing and developed political systems. Includes extensive analysis of issues, problems through case studies.
Prerequisite: POL 10004 or POL 10500.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Diversity Global

POL 40560 HUMAN RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE (DIVG) 3 Credit Hours
Examines the relationship between human rights and problems of the Third World in the civic, political, social and cultural arenas. Particular attention is placed on the struggle of women.
Prerequisite: POL 10004 or POL 10500.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Diversity Global
POL 40591 SEMINAR IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS-COMPARATIVE POLITICS (WIC) 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable with special approval) A required, writing-intensive seminar for juniors or seniors in the International Relations-Comparative Politics concentration. The focus of the seminar varies depending on instructor. International Relations (INTL) majors who have completed POL 10004, 10500, and six (6) hours from the Political Science - International Relations and Comparative Politics concentration may request a prerequisite override from the Department of Political Science.
Prerequisite: POL 10100 or 10300; and POL 10004 or 10500; and POL 30002 or POL 30003; and political science (POL) major.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Writing Intensive Course

POL 40620 POLITICS OF SOCIAL MOVEMENTS (DIVD) 3 Credit Hours
Examines the role of social movements both in the US and around the world. Focuses on labor, environmental, social justice and other initiatives in the push for political and economic democracy. North-South, public-private, labor-management and regional perspectives are emphasized.
Prerequisite: POL 10004 or POL 10100 or POL 10500.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Diversity Domestic

POL 40840 COMPARATIVE FOREIGN POLICY 3 Credit Hours
Comparative analysis of foreign policy patterns and determinants on the basis of the examination of foreign policy of selected countries.
Prerequisite: POL 10004 or POL 10300 or POL 10500.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 40930 U.S. FOREIGN POLICY 3 Credit Hours
Examines policy objectives, patterns of decision-making and foreign policy actions, roles of interest groups, public opinion, congress, executive and external influences on policy.
Prerequisite: POL 10500 or POL 10100 or POL 10004.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 40980 COLUMBUS PROGRAM IN STATE ISSUES (ELR) 15 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Annual fall semester resident-study in Columbus. Students spend three days per week working at an internship and two days per week attending briefings and completing course studies.
Prerequisite: Minimum 2.500 overall GPA; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Lecture, Practicum or Internship, Seminar
Contact Hours: 7 lecture, 24 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

POL 40981 WASHINGTON PROGRAM IN NATIONAL ISSUES (ELR) 15 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Annual spring semester resident-study in Washington, D.C. Credit hours divided among three units: lecture and course work, on-site briefings seminar and internship.
Prerequisite: Junior standing; and 2.750 overall GPA; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Lecture, Practicum or Internship, Seminar
Contact Hours: 7 lecture, 24 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

POL 40992 INTERNSHIP (ELR) 1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for a maximum of 6 credit hours) Allows academic credit for approved participation in variety of political processes, or as an intern with governmental or private agencies dealing with public affairs.
Prerequisite: Minimum 2.000 overall GPA; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Field Experience
Contact Hours: 3-9 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

POL 40993 VARIABLE TITLE WORKSHOP IN POLITICAL SCIENCE 1-6 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Special course, not regularly offered. Subject varies depending on the emerging issue, staff availability and competencies. Precise title always listed in the schedule of classes.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 1-3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 40995 SELECTED TOPICS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE 1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Special course, not regularly offered. Subject varies depending on the emerging issue, staff availability and competencies. Precise title always listed in the schedule of classes.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 1-3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 40996 INDEPENDENT STUDY 1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) For students desiring research into subjects beyond level of completed course work, or on subjects for which no regular course is offered. A minimum GPA of 2.750 is required prior to registration for this course.
Prerequisite: Any two of the following courses: POL 10004, POL 10100, POL 10300, and POL 10500; and junior standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Individual Investigation
Contact Hours: 1-3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

POL 50091 VARIABLE TOPIC SEMINAR 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with POL 40091 and 70091) Variable topic seminar in political science. Prerequisites: Graduate Standing
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
POL 51191 SEMINAR: PROBLEMS IN AMERICAN GOVERNMENT 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) For graduate students outside of political science who wish to take 40000-level American Government courses for graduate credit. Students must meet all of the requirements of the 40000 level plus do additional work as agreed upon by the instructor. May be taken more than once but never for more than 3 hours in any one semester. Instructor and course content may vary from semester to semester.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

POL 51391 SEMINAR: PROBLEMS IN PUBLIC POLICY 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) For graduate students outside of political science who wish to take 40000-level Public Policy courses for graduate credit. Students must meet all of the requirements of the 40000 level plus do additional work as agreed upon by the instructor. May be taken more than once but never for more than 3 hours in any one semester. Instructor and course content may vary from semester to semester. "IP" permissible. Core seminars.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

POL 51591 SEMINAR: PROBLEMS IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS/COMPARATIVE GOVERNMENT 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) For graduate students outside of political science who wish to take 40000-level International/Comparative Government courses for graduate credit. Students must meet all of the requirements of the 40000 level plus do additional work as agreed upon by the instructor. May be taken more than once but never for more than 3 hours in any one semester. Instructor and course content may vary from semester to semester. Public policy.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

POL 60002 SCOPE AND EPISTEMOLOGY 3 Credit Hours
Introduces students to the philosophy of science and scientific inquiry within the context of the social sciences, and presents a broad survey of leading paradigms and debates within political science.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 60003 QUANTITATIVE METHODS I 3 Credit Hours
Provides a selective introduction to basic quantitative methods for the analysis of political and public policy data dealing with basic descriptive and inferential statistics.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 60004 QUANTITATIVE METHODS II 3 Credit Hours
Introduces students to multivariate quantitative techniques appropriate for the analysis of political and public policy data.
Prerequisite: POL 60003 and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 60010 QUALITATIVE RESEARCH METHODS 3 Credit Hours
Introduces the principles and methods of qualitative research, examining the place of qualitative research alongside discussions about positivist, interpretivist and critical approaches. A variety of qualitative research methods are introduced including: social observation and ethnography, interviewing, discourse analysis, oral history, document analysis, historical analysis and case studies.
Prerequisite: graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 60099 CAPSTONE SEMINAR 3 Credit Hours
The purpose of this directed research is to use completed course work to identify ways in which scholarship speaks to application, for instance in the non-profit, policy, consulting, or programming world. Prerequisites: Graduate standing
Schedule Type: Master's Project, Research
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory-IP

POL 60101 STATUS OF THE FIELD: AMERICAN POLITICS AND POLICY 3 Credit Hours
This course provides a broad survey of the policymaking process in the U.S. government. Coverage includes formal government structures as well as more informal networks of private groups that seek to influence public policy at the national level.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 60102 AMERICAN POLICY PROCESS 3 Credit Hours
This course emphasizes the politics of the policy process. Among topics covered are theories of policy formulation and evaluation.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 60103 CONGRESS, THE PRESIDENCY AND THE COURTS 3 Credit Hours
Focuses on the three branches of the U.S. government, specifically Congress, the presidency and the judiciary. Coverage includes institutional rules and procedures that shape the incentives of these political actors and ultimately policy outcomes.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 60105 FEDERALISM AND STATE POLICYMAKING 3 Credit Hours
This course covers the theory and practice of federalism with emphasis on its consequences for policy outcomes. Students also examine the transformation of the policy role of state governments in recent years.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
POL 60106 URBAN POLICY AND POLITICS 3 Credit Hours
Urban public policy takes place within the context of suburbanization and metropolitan sprawl. Issues raised in this course include poverty, race and the role of business in local policymaking.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 60108 AMERICAN POLITICAL BEHAVIOR 3 Credit Hours
Explores scholarship on the behavior of non-elite political actors including various forms of electoral participation, voting, psychological attachments, affect, cognitions, perceptions, attitudes, and beliefs. Additional topics include: ethnic, racial, and gender politics; political participation; voting choice; political psychology; politics and networks; macro politics; and connecting individual-level and macro-level findings with democratic outcomes and citizen capacity.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 60191 SEMINAR IN AMERICAN POLITICS AND POLICY 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit)Seminar on current and important topics in American politics and policy. Subject matter varies depending on the emerging issue. This course may be repeated for credit with departmental approval.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 60304 ANALYTIC TECHNIQUES OF POLICY-MAKING 3 Credit Hours
This course covers the concepts, techniques, and conventions for assessing economic efficiency when this is one of the social and political goals relevant to public policymakers. Students are introduced to theories of cost-benefit analysis as they pertain to public policy.
Prerequisite: POL 60301 and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 60501 STATUS OF THE FIELD: TRANSNATIONAL AND COMPARATIVE POLITICS AND POLICY 3 Credit Hours
This course introduces students to the primary concepts, theories and subfields of comparative and transnational politics. Each field of study is reviewed along with the primary subfields of analysis.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 60502 GLOBAL GOVERNANCE 3 Credit Hours
This course examines issues, problems and debates regarding global governance in the contemporary world. Of primary interest is the array of actors in this process including nation-states, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 60503 FOREIGN POLICY ANALYSIS 3 Credit Hours
This course provides an overview of the diverse analytic traditions and issues that relate to the study of foreign policy. Areas of coverage include theories of foreign policy decision-making, levels of analysis, and policy domains.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 60507 CONFLICT TRANSFORMATION AND RECONCILIATION 3 Credit Hours
Cross-cultural analysis of transition from mass violence to justice and from protracted conflict to democracy. Subjects of study include truth and reconciliation commissions, criminal tribunals, apologies, reparations and, other aids to conflict transformation.
Prerequisite: POL 60501 or POL 60701 and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 60510 POLITICS OF DEVELOPMENT 3 Credit Hours
Surveys the scholarship on political development, examining the ways in which the conceptualization of development has evolved over time, looking specifically at institutionalization, state failure and the role of civil society.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 60511 INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL ECONOMY 3 Credit Hours
Introduces students to the study of how politics and economics interact on a global scale, covering the major theories of IPE, the international monetary system, global trade, and the connections between international economics and domestic development.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 60591 SEMINAR IN TRANSNATIONAL AND COMPARATIVE POLITICS AND POLICY 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit)Seminar on current and important topics in transnational and comparative politics and policy. Subject matter varies depending on the emerging issue.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 60901 PROSEMINAR IN CONFLICT ANALYSIS AND MANAGEMENT 3 Credit Hours
Covers the historical development of the conflict analysis and management field; conflict theories; the dynamics by which conflicts escalate, stalemate, and de-escalate; and theories of conflict intervention, resolution and transformation.
Prerequisite: graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
POL 60902  POWER, CONFLICT AND THE POLITICS OF GENDER  3
Credit Hours
Examines power disparities and gender as sources of conflict in multiple arenas—including family, community, workplace and the political sphere. The intersections of gender and power in the generation and resolution of social conflicts are examined. Emphasis is placed on empowerment strategies and tactics used to transform gendered conflicts and redress power imbalances.
Prerequisite: graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 60903  IDENTITY DRIVEN CONFLICTS  3 Credit Hours
Explores the roles played by ethnicity, race, religion, culture and other elements of identity in the generation, resolution and conduct of conflicts within and between groups. Physical and symbolic markers of difference are examined in order to understand both why groups differentiate themselves from one another and how mechanisms such as skin color, religious affiliation, ethnic background or cultural traditions can provide the impetus for conflict or the grounds for resolution.
Prerequisite: graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 60904  SOCIAL MOVEMENTS AND NONVIOLENT CONFLICTS  3 Credit Hours
The waging and escalating of conflicts by social movements through nonviolent actions frequently shifts conflicts from one stage to another while also contributing to conflict transformation and to substantive social and political changes. Focuses on social movement theories and practices, and on the complicated dynamics of nonviolent action campaigns waged by social movements.
Prerequisite: graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 60906  POLITICAL VIOLENCE  3 Credit Hours
Examines the dynamics, networks, interests and resource mobilization underlying state-sponsored political violence, focusing on “low-intensity conflict” and counter-insurgency, paramilitarism and genocide. Of special interest is the relationship of the state to various non-state actors, both perpetrators and victims, and the role of the international community in domestic-level violence.
Prerequisite: POL 60501 or POL 60901; and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 60907  TERRORISM AND HUMAN RIGHTS  3 Credit Hours
Examines how governments try to adhere to the rule of law in managing terrorist threats in a post 9-11 era, striking a balance between the competing demands of public safety, personal freedom and human rights. Topics include understanding terrorism as a problem for western governments, the rule of law and human rights.
Prerequisite: graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 60991  SEMINAR IN CONFLICT ANALYSIS AND MANAGEMENT  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for a total of 9 credit hours) Seminar on current and important topics in Conflict Analysis and Management. This course may be repeated for credit with departmental approval.
Prerequisite: graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 61094  COLLEGE TEACHING IN POLITICAL SCIENCE  1 Credit Hour
(Repeatable for credit) Staff training and experience in college teaching; colloquia on professional ethics and responsibilities of political scientists. Maximum of 4 hours applicable toward Ph.D. requirements, with graduate studies committee approval.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Research
Contact Hours: 1 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 61098  RESEARCH  1-15 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Research or individual investigation for master’s level graduate students. Credits may be applied toward meeting degree requirements if department approves and a letter grade is given.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Research
Contact Hours: 1-15 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

POL 61199  THESIS I  2-6 Credit Hours
Thesis students must register for a total of 6 hours, 2 to 6 hours in a single semester distributed over several semesters if desired.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Masters Thesis
Contact Hours: 2-6 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory-IP

POL 61299  THESIS II  2 Credit Hours
Thesis students must continue registration each semester until all degree requirements are met.
Prerequisite: POL 61199 and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Masters Thesis
Contact Hours: 2 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory-IP

POL 69091  SEMINAR:QUANTITATIVE METHODS  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable a maximum of 3 times) Focuses on select topics in quantitative methods, including limited and categorical dependent variables, hierarchical linear models, panel data, structural equation modeling, and Q Methodology. More than one seminar may be offered.
Prerequisite: POL 60004 and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 69095  SPECIAL TOPICS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE AND PUBLIC POLICY  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for a maximum of 12 credit hours) (Slashed with POL 79095) Topics course.
Prerequisite: graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
POL 70002  SCOPE AND EPISTEMOLOGY  3 Credit Hours
Introduces students to the philosophy of science and scientific inquiry within the context of the social sciences, and presents a broad survey of leading paradigms and debates within political science.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70003  QUANTITATIVE METHODS I  3 Credit Hours
Provides a selective introduction to basic quantitative methods for the analysis of political and public policy data dealing with basic descriptive and inferential statistics.
Prerequisite: POL 70003 and doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70004  QUANTITATIVE METHODS II  3 Credit Hours
Introduces students to multivariate quantitative techniques appropriate for the analysis of political and public policy data.
Prerequisite: POL 70003 and doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70010  QUALITATIVE RESEARCH METHODS  3 Credit Hours
Introduces the principles and methods of qualitative research, examining the place of qualitative research alongside discussions about positivist, interpretivist and critical approaches. A variety of qualitative research methods are introduced including: social observation and ethnography, interviewing, discourse analysis, oral history, document analysis, historical analysis and case studies.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70091  VARIABLE TOPIC SEMINAR  3 Credit Hours
Variable topic seminar in political science.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70101  STATUS OF THE FIELD: AMERICAN POLITICS AND POLICY  3 Credit Hours
This course provides a broad survey of the policymaking process in the U.S. government. Coverage includes formal government structures as well as more informal networks of private groups that seek to influence public policy at the national level.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70102  AMERICAN POLICY PROCESS  3 Credit Hours
This course emphasizes the politics of the policy process. Among topics covered are theories of policy formulation implementation and evaluation.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70103  CONGRESS, THE PRESIDENCY AND THE COURTS  3 Credit Hours
Focuses on the three branches of the U.S. government specifically congress the presidency and the judiciary. Coverage includes institutional rules and procedures that shape the incentives of these political actors and ultimately policy outcomes.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70105  FEDERALISM AND STATE POLICYMAKING  3 Credit Hours
This course covers the theory and practice of federalism with emphasis on its consequences for policy outcomes. Students also examine the transformation of the policy role of state governments in recent years.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70106  URBAN POLICY AND POLITICS  3 Credit Hours
Urban public policy takes place within the context of suburbanization and metropolitan sprawl. Issues raised in this course include poverty, race and the role of business in local policymaking.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70108  AMERICAN POLITICAL BEHAVIOR  3 Credit Hours
Explores scholarship on the behavior of non-elite political actors including various forms of electoral participation, voting, psychological attachments, affect, cognitions, perceptions, attitudes and beliefs. Additional topics include: ethnic, racial and gender politics; political participation; voting choice; political psychology; politics and networks; macro politics; and connecting individual-level and macro-level findings with democratic outcomes and citizen capacity.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70191  SEMINAR IN AMERICAN POLITICS AND POLICY  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with POL 60191) Seminar on current and important topics in American politics and policy. Subject matter varies depending on the emerging issue. This course may be repeated for credit with departmental approval.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70195  SPECIAL TOPICS IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for maximum 12 credit hours) Various topics offered by the Master of Public Administration program. 
Prerequisite: doctoral standing and special approval.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
POL 70198 RESEARCH IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION 1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable 3 times for credit) (Slashed with PADM 60198) Research or individual investigation for graduate students. Credits earned may be applied toward meeting requirements if department approves.
Prerequisite: political science (POL) major; and doctoral standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Research
Contact Hours: 1-3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

POL 70304 ANALYTIC TECHNIQUES OF POLICY-MAKING 3 Credit Hours
This course covers the concepts, techniques and conventions for assessing economic efficiency when this is one of the social and political goals relevant to public policymakers. Students are introduced to theories of cost-benefit analysis as they pertain to public policy.
Prerequisite: POL 70301 and doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70371 GRADUATE INTRODUCTION TO PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION 3 Credit Hours
Introductory graduate course to the theory and study of public administration. Topics include: evolution and characteristics of the modern nation state; core functions of public bureaucracy in any nation state; intergovernmental relations; formal and informal institutions and their role in policy; legal-regulatory processes; historical evolution of public administration as an academic field; major paradigms in organization theory and internal organizational dynamics.
Prerequisite: political science (POL) major and doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70377 PUBLIC BUDGETING AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with PADM 70377) Focuses on two aspects of public financial analysis: budgeting and financial management. The topics in budgeting are the basic purposes of budgets as mechanisms of resource control and allocation, and as legal documents; distinct budget formats and cross-walking of formats; budget preparation; legislative review; implementation and auditing. The topics in financial management are the mechanisms and tools for financing public operations, debt management, fund accounting, analyzing budgets, and forecasting.
Prerequisite: political science (POL) major and doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70379 PROGRAM EVALUATION I 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with PADM 60379) Introduction to evaluation of government programs. Emphasis on familiarizing students with the theory and specifically the techniques utilized under different evaluation formats.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70386 PUBLIC SECTOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT 3 Credit Hours
Management of information technology systems in the public sector. Specific focus on: planning and acquisition of hardware and software and networking technologies, organizational governance and implementation, information security and privacy, legal requirements, IT service delivery and emerging enterprise technologies.
Prerequisite: political science (POL) major and doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70387 ELECTRONIC GOVERNANCE 3 Credit Hours
An introduction to electronic governance with an emphasis on public administration. Examines the implications of information and communication technology in public organizations with regard to democracy, civic engagement, and performance improvement. Through case studies from the United States and across the world, students become familiar with the factors and issues surrounding the implementation of electronic governance on a comparative basis.
Prerequisite: political science (POL) major and doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70392 INTERNSHIP IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable maximum 3 times for credit) Provides an opportunity for students to gain practical experience and be exposed to processes of public decision making and policy development.
Prerequisite: political science (POL) major; and doctoral standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Practicum or Internship
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

POL 70470 PERSONAL ACCOUNTABILITY IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with PADM 60470) Focus is on students internalizing their role in the public service as stewards of the public trust. Topics covered include dimensions of stewardship: maintaining personal honor; protecting the liberty and dignity of the citizen, dimensions of justice; anti-corruption, incorporating principles of stewardship in their personal decision making and throughout the organization.
Prerequisite: political science (POL) major and doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70471 NONPROFIT LAW 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with PADM 60471) Introduction to legal issues for nonprofit organizations in the United States, including types of IRS tax-exempt status; basic requirements for establishing/operating nonprofit organizations specifically in Ohio.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
POL 70472 NONPROFIT BOARD-EXECUTIVE RELATIONS 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with PADM 60472) Key aspects of effective nonprofit governance, major roles of nonprofit board members and their responsibilities and governance structures.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70475 CAPSTONE SEMINAR 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with PADM 60475) Students complete an approved, written project that is analytical and research based.
Prerequisite: political science (POL) major; doctoral standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

POL 70477 NONPROFIT FINANCIAL RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with PADM 60477) Successful strategies for fundraising and resource development for nonprofit organizations. Students will be exposed to fundraising in practice and will write a resource development plan.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70501 STATUS OF THE FIELD: TRANSNATIONAL AND COMPARATIVE POLITICS AND POLICY 3 Credit Hours
This course introduces students to the primary concepts, theories and subfields of comparative and transnational politics. Each field of study is reviewed along with the primary sub-fields of analysis.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70502 GLOBAL GOVERNANCE 3 Credit Hours
This course examines issues, problems and debates regarding global governance in the contemporary world. Of primary interest is the array of actors in this process including nation-states, intergovernmental organizations, and non-governmental organizations.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70503 FOREIGN POLICY ANALYSIS 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with POL 60503)This course provides an overview of the diverse analytic traditions and issues that relate to the study of foreign policy. Areas of coverage include theories of foreign policy decision-making, levels of analysis, and policy domains.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70507 CONFLICT TRANSFORMATION AND RECONCILIATION 3 Credit Hours
Cross-cultural analysis of transition from mass violence to justice and from protracted conflict to democracy. Subjects of study include truth and reconciliation commissions, criminal tribunals, apologies, reparations, and other aids to conflict transformation.
Prerequisite: POL 70501 or POL 70701; and doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70510 POLITICS OF DEVELOPMENT 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with POL 60510) Surveys the scholarship on political development, examining the ways in which the conceptualization of development has evolved over time, looking specifically at institutionalization, state failure and the role of civil society.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70511 INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL ECONOMY 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with POL 60511) Introduces students to the study of how politics and economics interact on a global scale, covering the major theories of IPE, the international monetary system, global trade, and the connections between international economics and domestic development.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70574 STRATEGIC PLANNING 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with PADM 60574) Introduction to the practice of strategic planning as it relates to policy design and implementation by public and nonprofit organizations.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70591 SEMINAR IN TRANSNATIONAL AND COMPARATIVE POLITICS AND POLICY 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with POL 60591) Seminar on current and important topics in transnational and comparative politics and policy. Subject matter varies depending on the emerging issue. This course may be repeated for credit with departmental approval.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70901 PROSEMINAR IN CONFLICT ANALYSIS AND MANAGEMENT 3 Credit Hours
Covers the historical development of the conflict analysis and management field; conflict theories; the dynamics by which conflicts escalate, stalemate, and de-escalate; and theories of conflict intervention, resolution and transformation.
Prerequisite: doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
POL 70902  POWER, CONFLICT AND THE POLITICS OF GENDER  3
Credit Hours
Examines power disparities and gender as sources of conflict in multiple
arenas—including family, community, workplace and the political sphere.
The intersections of gender and power in the generation and resolution
of social conflicts is examined. Emphases is placed on empowerment
strategies and tactics used to transform gendered conflicts and redress
power imbalances.
Prerequisite: doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70903  IDENTITY DRIVEN CONFLICTS  3 Credit Hours
Explores the roles played by ethnicity, race, religion, culture and other
elements of identity in the generation, resolution and conduct of conflicts
within and between groups. Physical and symbolic markers of difference
are examined in order to understand both why groups differentiate
themselves from one another and how mechanisms such as skin color,
religious affiliation, ethnic background or cultural traditions can provide
the impetus for conflict or the grounds for resolution.
Prerequisite: doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70904  SOCIAL MOVEMENTS AND NONVIOLENT CONFLICTS  3
Credit Hours
The waging and escalating of conflicts by social movements through
nonviolent actions frequently shifts conflicts from one stage to another
while also contributing to conflict transformation and to substantive
social and political changes. Focuses on social movement theories
and practices, and on the complicated dynamics of nonviolent action
campaigns waged by social movements.
Prerequisite: doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70906  POLITICAL VIOLENCE  3 Credit Hours
Examines the dynamics, networks, interests and resource mobilization
underlying state-sponsored political violence, focusing on “low-intensity
conflict” and counter-insurgency, paramilitarism and genocide. Of special
interest is the relationship of the state to various non-state actors, both
perpetrators and victims, and the role of the international community in
domestic-level violence.
Prerequisite: POL 70501 or POL 70901; and doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70907  TERRORISM AND HUMAN RIGHTS  3 Credit Hours
Examines how governments try to adhere to the rule of law in managing
terrorist threats in a post 9-11 era, thus striking a balance between the
competing demands of public safety, personal freedom, and human
rights. Topics include understanding terrorism as a problem for western
governments, the rule of law, and human rights.
Prerequisite: doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 70991  SEMINAR IN CONFLICT ANALYSIS AND MANAGEMENT  3
Credit Hours
Repeatable for a maximum of 9 credit hours) Seminar on current and
important topics in Conflict Analysis and Management. This course may
be repeated for credit with departmental approval.
Prerequisite: doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 71094  COLLEGE TEACHING IN POLITICAL SCIENCE  1 Credit
Hour
(Repeatable for credit)Staff training and experience in college teaching;
colloquia on professional ethics and responsibilities of political
scientists. Maximum of 4 hours applicable toward Ph.D. requirements
with graduate studies committee approval.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 1 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 79091  SEMINAR IN CONFLICT ANALYSIS AND MANAGEMENT  3 Credit Hours
Repeatable for a maximum of 9 credit hours) Seminar on current and
important topics in Conflict Analysis and Management. This course may
be repeated for credit with departmental approval.
Prerequisite: POL 70004 and doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 79095  SPECIAL TOPICS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE AND PUBLIC
POLICY  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable a total of 3 times) Focuses on select topics in
quantitative/statistical methods, including limited and categorical
dependent variables, hierarchical linear models, panel data, structural
equation modeling, and Q Methodology. More than one seminar may be
offered.
Prerequisite: POL 70004 and doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

POL 81098  RESEARCH  1-15 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for a maximum of 12 credit hours) (Slashed with POL 69095)
Topics course.
Prerequisite: doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Research
Contact Hours: 1-15 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

POL 81199  DISSERTATION 1  15 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit)Doctoral dissertation, for which registration in at
least two semesters is required, and the first of which will be semester in
which dissertation work is begun and continuing until the completion of
30 hours.
Prerequisite: Special approval and doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Dissertation
Contact Hours: 15 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory-IP
POL 81299 DISSERTATION II  15 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit)Continuing registration required for doctoral students who have completed the initial 30 hours of dissertation and continuing until all degree requirements are met.
Prerequisite: POL 81199 and doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Dissertation
Contact Hours: 15 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory-IP

Public Administration (PADM)

PADM 60195 SPECIAL TOPICS IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit)Various topics offered by the Master of Public Administration program.
Prerequisite: graduate standing and special approval.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PADM 60198 RESEARCH IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable 3 times for credit) (Slashed with POL 70198) Research or individual investigation for master’s level graduate students. Credits earned may be applied toward meeting requirements if department approves.
Prerequisite: Special approval and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Research
Contact Hours: 1-3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

PADM 60200 NONPROFIT ADVOCACY  3 Credit Hours
This course explores the U.S. public-policy making process as it applies to nonprofit organizations. Nonprofits influence policy making or “advocacy” through a variety of methods, such as lobbying, campaigning, protesting, and policy monitoring. The course explores how nonprofit organizations both shape and are shaped by public policy. Prerequisites: Graduate Standing
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PADM 60371 GRADUATE INTRODUCTION TO PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION  3 Credit Hours
Introductory graduate course to the theory and study of public administration. Topics include: evolution and characteristics of the modern nation state: core functions of public bureaucracy in any nation state; intergovernmental relations; formal and informal institutions and their role in policy; legal-regulatory processes; historical evolution of public administration as an academic field; major paradigms in organization theory and internal organizational dynamics.
Prerequisite: public administration (PADM) major and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PADM 60375 PUBLIC PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION  3 Credit Hours
Study of public personnel systems, including underlying system values and current problems with emphasis on skill development and under standing of techniques for public personnel managers.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PADM 60376 LABOR MANAGEMENT RELATIONS IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR  3 Credit Hours
This course focuses on issues peculiar to public sector labor relations, including the impact of public employee unionism on traditional merit systems and personnel policy decision processes.
Prerequisite: PADM 60375 and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PADM 60377 PUBLIC BUDGETING AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with POL 70377) Focuses on two aspects of public financial analysis: budgeting and financial management. The topics in budgeting are the basic purposes of budgets as mechanisms of resource control and allocation, and as legal documents; distinct budget formats and cross-walking of formats; budget preparation; legislative review; implementation and auditing. The topics in financial management are the mechanisms and tools for financing public operations, debt management, fund accounting, analyzing budgets, and forecasting.
Prerequisite: public administration (PADM) major and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PADM 60378 MUNICIPAL MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION  3 Credit Hours
Detailed analysis of metropolitan complex. Emphasis given to administrative, political, fiscal and legal problems in governing cities.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PADM 60379 PROGRAM EVALUATION I  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with POL 70379) Introduction to evaluation of government programs. Emphasis on familiarizing students with the theory and specifically the techniques utilized under different evaluation formats.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
PADM 60381 METHODS IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION 3 Credit Hours
This course is a graduate-level introduction to statistical methods and their use in public administration.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PADM 60382 SEMINAR IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION 3 Credit Hours
Study of selected problem areas in public service organizations with emphasis on understanding the factors contributing to them, their solution and literature bearing on the problems.
Prerequisite: Special approval and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PADM 60386 PUBLIC SECTOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT 3 Credit Hours
Management of information technology systems in the public sector. Specific focus on: planning and acquisition of hardware and software and networking technologies, organizational governance and implementation, information security and privacy, legal requirements, IT service delivery and emerging enterprise technologies.
Prerequisite: public administration (PADM) major and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PADM 60387 ELECTRONIC GOVERNANCE 3 Credit Hours
An introduction to electronic governance with an emphasis on public administration. Examines the implications of information and communication technology in public organizations with regard to democracy, civic engagement, and performance improvement. Through case studies from the United States and across the world, students will become familiar with the factors and issues surrounding the implementation of electronic governance on a comparative basis.
Prerequisite: PADM 60386; public administration (PADM) major; and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PADM 60392 INTERNSHIP IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit)(Provides an opportunity for students to gain practical experience and be exposed to processes of public decision making and policy development.
Prerequisite: public administration (PADM) major; and graduate standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Practicum or Internship
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

PADM 60470 PERSONAL ACCOUNTABILITY IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with POL 70470) Focus is on students internalizing their role in the public service as stewards of the public trust. Topics covered include dimensions of stewardship: maintaining personal honor; protecting the liberty and dignity of the citizen, dimensions of justice; anti-corruption, incorporating principles of stewardship in their personal decision making and throughout the organization.
Prerequisite: public administration (PADM) major and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PADM 60471 NONPROFIT LAW 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with POL 70471) Introduction to legal issues for nonprofit organizations in the United States; including types of IRS tax exempt status, basic requirements for establishing/operating nonprofit organizations specifically in Ohio.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PADM 60472 NONPROFIT BOARD EXEC RELATIONS 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with POL 70472) Key aspects of effective nonprofit governance, major roles of nonprofit board members and their responsibilities and governance structures.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PADM 60475 CAPSTONE SEMINAR 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with POL 70475) Capstone course required for all M.P.A. students. Students will complete an approved written project that is analytical and research based.
Prerequisite: public administration (PADM) major; graduate standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

PADM 60477 NONPROFIT FINANCIAL RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with POL 70477) Successful strategies for fundraising and resource development for nonprofit organizations. Students will be exposed to fundraising in practice and will write a resource development plan.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PADM 60574 STRATEGIC PLANNING 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with POL 70574) Introduction to the practice of strategic planning as it relates to policy design and implementation by public and nonprofit organizations.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter