

Fall 2019
Political Science
Graduate Schedule of Classes

Politics and the Media

3700:502:001	TTh	10:15 – 11:30 a.m.	Stephen Brooks
3700:502:501	ON-LINE	World Wide Web	Stephen Brooks

Examination of relationships between the press, the news media and political decision makers.

Media, Crime & Public Opinion

3700:503:001	MW	8:45 – 10:00 a.m.	Kimberly Hufgard
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Examines the social construction of crime in mass media and how it impacts public, including fear of crime, beliefs about crime causation, and crime policy.

Global Public Health Threats

3700:513:001	MW	4:15 – 5:30 p.m.	Terrence O'Sullivan
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An introduction to comparative global biological and public health security policy. Topics include: infectious disease outbreaks, bioterrorism, and potential "nano-terrorism."

Al Qaeda and ISIS

3700:545:001	TTh	2:45 – 4:00 p.m.	Karl Kaltenthaler
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This course explores the causes and consequences of Al Qaeda's terrorism. Students will weigh different explanations for why individuals join and participate in terrorist groups.

Counterterrorism

3700:547:001	TTh	1:15 – 2:30 p.m.	Karl Kaltenthaler
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The course introduces students to the federal national security agencies, polices, politics, and methods of containing and defeating terrorism abroad and within the United States.

Supreme Court & Constitutional Law

3700:561:001	TTh	2:45 – 4:00 p.m.	Phillip Marcin
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Interpretation of the U.S. Constitution by the U.S. Supreme Court with emphasis on federal judicial, legislative and executive power, separation of powers, federalism, and states' rights.

Political Opinion, Behavior & Electoral Politics

3700:574:001	TTh	2:45 – 4:00 p.m.	Daniel Coffey
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Prerequisite: 100 or 201 or permission. Advanced analysis of psychological, cultural, and group processes of opinion formation and change. Attention given to the effect of opinion change on electoral outcomes.

Criminal Justice Topic: Current Issues

3700:582:001	MW	1:15 – 2:30 p.m.	Kimberly Hufgard
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Prerequisite: 100. Critical analysis of current issues relating to political science and criminal justice. No more than three credits can be applied to the major.

Const. Problems in Crim Just

3700:583:001	MW	10:15 – 11:30 a.m.	Kimberly Hufgard
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Analyzes Supreme Court policy-making regarding problems of criminal justice, including search and seizure, self-incrimination, right to counsel, jury selection, and post-appeal prisoner rights.

ST: Campaign Battleground: The Invisible Primary & 2020 Overview

3700:592:002 Wed 4:15 – 6:45 p.m. Matt Akers/David Cohen

This course will provide a general framework with which to understand the 2020 American national elections. We will focus on the “invisible primary” stage of the presidential campaign, as well as select congressional campaigns. We will follow the campaigns in “real time,” and investigate the strategy, tactics, and conduct of the major party candidates.

Scope and Theories of Political Science

3700:600:800 Mon 7:15 – 9:45 p.m. Ronald Gelleny

Emphasis on the nature, scope and content of political theory; theory construction and validation in political science.

Seminar in Security Studies

3700:612:801 Tues 7:15 – 9:45 p.m. Karl Kaltenthaler

The aim of the course is to introduce graduate students to the study of national security politics and policy.