Fall 2021 Political Science Undergraduate Schedule of Classes

Government & Politics

3700:100-020A/B/C, MWF, 10:45 – 11:35 a.m., In-person and Online, Steven Caraboolad

3700:100-030, MWF, 9:15 – 10:30 a.m., In-person, Steven Caraboolad

3700:100-501, TuTh, 9:15 - 10:30 a.m., 100% Online Real-time, Nancy Marion

An essential introduction to the American political system at the national level. The course considers the ideas that drive American government, the institutions and processes that make it unique, and the problems it faces in the modern world. Perfect for someone thinking about a major or minor in Political Science!

Comparative Politics

3700:300-001, TuTh, 2 - 3:15 p.m., In-person, Ronald Gelleny

This course is designed to introduce students to different forms of political systems and the methods used to compare them. The political systems of several nations will be compared to demonstrate the concepts.

Intro to Political Research

3700:301-501, TuTh, 12:15 – 1:30 p.m., 100% Online Real-time, Daniel Coffey

3700:301-502, 100% Online Asynchronous, Phillip Marcin

Introduction to the methods employed in contemporary political science research: research design, data collection and analysis, presentation and evaluation of findings.

Intro to Political Thought

3700:303-001A/B, Th, 9:40 - 10:30 a.m., In-person and Online, James McHugh

Survey of major concepts of Western political theory from pre-Socrates through the period of enlightenment.

The American Congress

3700:341-501, MWF, 8:35 - 9:25 a.m., 100% Online Real-time, David Cohen

The American Congress is intended to help students develop a familiarity and understanding of the legislative branch of the United States. It will focus on the historical foundations, traditions, institutions, and development of the American Congress. We will also examine current issues confronting Congress and the Ohio legislature. After completion of the course, students will have a greater understanding and appreciation for the history, traditions, powers, and potential of the American Congress, as well as the unique place the institution holds in the American political system.

The American Presidency

3700:350-501, MWF, 9:40 - 10:30 a.m., 100% Online Real-time, David Cohen

The American Presidency is intended to help students develop a familiarity and understanding of the American presidency. It will focus on the historical foundations, traditions, and development of the presidential institution, the individuals who have served as president, and the formal and informal powers of the office. We will also examine current issues confronting the American president and presidency. After completion of the course, students will have a greater understanding and appreciation for the history, traditions, powers, and potential of the American presidency, as well as the unique place the institution holds in the American political system.

The Judicial Process

3700:360:501, MWF, 3:30 - 4:45 p.m., 100% Online Real-time, Phillip Marcin

Role of police, lawyers, courts and judges in context of American political process. Structure and process of judicial policy making and limitations on judicial power.

Politics of the Criminal Justice System

3700:361-501, 100% Online Asynchronous, James McHugh

This course examines the interplay between politics and criminal justice to demonstrate the importance of political influences on the criminal justice system. Through a simulation exercise, students will learn how federal political actors and organizations help to formulate criminal justice policies on the federal, state, and local levels. Political forces on criminal justice in Ohio are also examined.

Media, Crime & Public Opinion

3700:403-001, MWF, 10:40 - 11:30 a.m., In-person, Kimberly Hufgard

This course 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.

Al Qaeda and ISIS

3700:445-501, TuTh, 2:00 – 3:15 p.m., In-person, Karl Kaltenthaler

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

3700:447-001, TuTh, 3:30 – 4:45 p.m., In-person, Karl Kaltenthaler

This course introduces students to the federal national security agencies, policies, politics, and methods of containing and defeating terrorism abroad and within the United States.

The Supreme Court & Constitutional Law

3700:461-501, TuTh, 3:30 – 4:45 p.m., 100% Online Real-time, Phillip Marcin

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.

Fundamentals of Political Strategy

3700:470-501, M, 6:15 – 8:45 p.m., 100% Online Real-time, Cyndra Cole

3700:470-801, M, 6:15 – 8:45 p.m., In-person, Cyndra Cole

Explore theoretical concepts, practical applications, roles, and best practices as it relates to political campaign management. Develop critical thinking skills to assess, analyze, act and communicate in situations throughout the election cycle, including message development and delivery, target audiences and voter contact and engagement. Consider real-life and rhetorical situations and hear from campaign professionals equipped to share first-hand perspectives on the operations and infrastructure of political campaigns.

Voter Contact & Elections

3700:473-501, Th, 6:15 – 8:45 p.m., 100% Online Real-time, Richard Alicea

3700:473-801, Th, 6:15 – 8:45 p.m., In-person, Richard Alicea

Theoretical and practical approaches to gaining votes in all types of political campaigns.

American Political Parties

3700:476-501, 100% Online Asynchronous, Daniel Coffey

Reading and research on the development, structure and function of parties in the United States.

Policy Problems in Political Science

3700:480-501, 100% Online Asynchronous, Nancy Marion

Intensive study of selected problems in public policy.

The Challenges of Police Work

3700:481-001, MWF, 11:40 - 12:30 p.m., In-person, Kimberly Hufgard

Analysis of the neighborhood, bureaucratic, electoral, and operational conflicts central to police work, with a focus on efforts and obstacles to improving police work.

Constitutional Problems in Criminal Justice

3700:483-001, MWF, 9:40 – 11:30 a.m., In-person, Kimberly Hufgard

Analyzes Supreme Court policymaking regarding problems of criminal justice, including search and seizure, self-incrimination, right to counsel, jury selection, and post-appeal prisonerright.

Fundamentals of Electoral Messaging

3700:492-501, W, 6:15 – 8:45 p.m., 100% Online Real-time, Jim Crooks

3700:492-801, W, 6:15 – 8:45 p.m., In-Person, Jim Crooks

Explore theoretical concepts, practical applications, roles, and best practices as it relates to campaign and electoral messaging. Develop skills to plan, produce and execute strategic political messages including campaign addresses, press releases and media advisories, constituent, volunteer, and donor communications, and video releases while considering candidate and opposition research, fact sheets, time and budgetary constraints, polling and targeting data, and candidate preferences.