

Spring 2023 Political Science Undergraduate Schedule of Classes

Government & Politics in the U.S.

Polit:100-020, MWF, 10:45 – 11:35 a.m., [In-person and Online](#), Steven Caraboolad

Polit:100-030, MWF, 1:55 – 2:45 p.m., [In-person](#), TBA

Polit:100-501, [100% Online](#), Dr. Coffey

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!

World Politics and Government

Polit:150-501, [100% Online](#), Dr. 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.

Introduction to Political Thought

Polit:203-501, [100% Online](#), Dr. McHugh

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

State and Local Politics

Polit:210-001, MWF 9:40 – 10:30 a.m., [In-person](#), Steve Caraboolad

Examination of institutions, processes and intergovernmental relations at state and local levels.

Comparative Politics

Polit:300, [100% Online](#), Dr. 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

Polit:301-001, TuTh, 3:30 – 4:45 p.m., [In-Person](#), Dr. Coffey

Polit:301-501, [100% Online Asynchronous](#), Dr. Marcin

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

Law & Society

Polit:335-501, [100% Online](#), K. Hufgard

This course will examine how law constructs and constrains political conflict, and how legal institutions mediate, reinforce, and challenge existing power relationships.

The Judicial Process

Polit:360-501, TTh, 6:45 – 8:00 p.m., [100% Online Real-time](#), Dr. 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

Polit:361-001, TTh 9:15-10:30 a.m., In-person, Dr. McHugh

Polit: 361-501, 100% Online Asynchronous, Dr. 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.

Women in Politics

Polit:375-001, TTh, 1:45 – 3:00 p.m., In-person, Dr. Strachan

This course examines the past, present, and future role of women in politics.

Politics of the Middle East

Polit 405-001, MWF, 12:55-1:45 p.m., In-person, E. Abousena

The rise of the state system in the Middle East after World War 1; an analysis of the socio-cultural, ideological forces influencing the political behavior of the people of the Middle East. This course provides an in-depth study of selected political systems.

Weapons of Mass Destruction

Polit 418-501, TTh 10:45-12:00, 100% Online Real-time, Dr. Cohen

An exploration of the various weapons of mass destruction available to terrorists and other potential enemies with an emphasis on the challenge America faces in responding to such threats.

Homeland Security Politics and Process

Polit 419-501, TTh 9:15-10:30 a.m., 100% Online Real-time, Dr. Cohen

The course will explore the concept of homeland security, the complexity of homeland security and disaster policy in a federal system, threats to homeland security, and the challenges to effective homeland security and disaster policy in the United States.

Intelligence Analysis

Polit 448-801, W 6:15-8:45, In-Person, Dr. Kalthenthaler

This course is intended for students who seek a career in the field of government or private sector intelligence or who just have an interest in how intelligence analysis is done. The course material focuses on learning cutting-edge techniques in open source intelligence collection and analysis techniques of that collected information. This course emphasizes learning how to do intelligence analysis by doing it.

Administration of Prisons, Probation & Parole

Polit 450-001, TTh 12:15-1:30 p.m., In-person, K. Hufgard

Analysis of the administrative, electoral, and community conflicts central to understanding, resolving, and preventing these conflicts in a correctional environment.

The Supreme Court and Civil Liberties

Polit 462-001, MW 3:30-4:45 p.m., In-person, Dr. Marcin

Interpretation of the U.S. Constitution by the U.S. Supreme Court with emphasis on freedom of speech and press, freedom of religion, criminal rights and right to privacy.

Human Rights in World Politics

Polit 463-001, MWF 12:55-1:45 p.m., Dr. Gelleny

An introduction to human rights from a comparative perspective. Topics include the definition and development of human rights with attention paid to government interaction and wartime.

Campaign Finance

Polit 472-501, M 6:15-8:45 p.m., 100% Online Real-time, C. Cole

Polit 472-801, M 6:13-8:45 p.m., In-person, C. Cole

Reading and research in financial decision-making in political campaigns.

American Political Parties

Polit 476-501, 100% Online, Dr. Coffey

Reading and research on the development, structure and function of parties in the U.S.

The Digital Campaign

Polit 478-501, W 6:15-8:45, 100% Online Real-time, R. Alicea

Polit 478-801, W 6:15-8:45, In-person

This course will examine the evolution of digital campaigning, explore the pillars of effective digital strategy, and analyze the role digital strategy plays from communications to fundraising to field and everything in between. It will look at the rise of digital platforms, strengths and weaknesses of them, how to best leverage them in a well-rounded digital program, along with security and disinformation tactics to navigate. Students will learn how to effectively research, craft, deploy, and execute an effective digital plan that can serve as the connective tissue of any winning campaign.

Criminal Justice Topics: Current Issues

Polit 482-001, TTH 9:15-10:30 a.m., In-person, K. Hufgard

This course highlights some of the most pressing issues facing the field of criminal justice today. Topics include, but are not limited to the death penalty, legalization of marijuana, sexual assault, technology in criminal justice, police profiling, etc.

Selected Topics in Pol Sci: Human Trafficking

Polit 492-001, T/Th 10:45 a.m.-12:00 p.m., In-person, K. Hufgard

This course examines the extent of the human trafficking problem in the US and possible solutions.