

POLITICAL SCIENCE (POL SCI)

Political Science Courses

POL SCI 101 Introduction to Political Science

3 cr. Undergraduate.

An introduction to the systematic study of politics, including the democratic process and the legal system, parties and public opinion, power and authoritarian regimes, war and peace, political economy and political ideologies.

Prerequisites: none.

Course Rules: Previously POL SCI 103.

General Education Requirements: SS

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Fall 2024, Spring 2024, Fall 2023.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 102 Introduction to International Relations

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Understanding and explaining foreign policies of states, with an emphasis on military security, economic relations, and the larger consequences for the international system.

Prerequisites: none.

Course Rules: Previously POL SCI 175.

General Education Requirements: SS

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Fall 2024, Spring 2024, Spring 2023.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 104 Introduction to American Government and Politics

3 cr. Undergraduate.

How the American political system works, with emphasis on the Constitution, elections, political parties, interest groups, Congress, the presidency, the courts, and national policy making.

Prerequisites: none.

General Education Requirements: SS

Last Taught: Summer 2025, Spring 2025, Fall 2024, Spring 2024.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 105 State Politics

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Processes and functions of state governments and their relations with the national government and local governments; special emphasis on Wisconsin politics.

Prerequisites: none.

General Education Requirements: SS

Last Taught: Spring 2024, Fall 2023, Spring 2023, UWinterIM 2023.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 106 Politics of the World's Nations

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Introduction to political issues facing the governments of industrialized and developing nations, democratic and authoritarian, considering the similarities and differences between these nations and America.

Prerequisites: none.

General Education Requirements: SS

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Fall 2024, Spring 2024, Fall 2023.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 110 Sex and Power

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Study of gender, sex, and sexuality as determined by law, power, and politics.

Prerequisites: none.

General Education Requirements: SS

Last Taught: Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2019, Spring 2018.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 150 Multicultural America: Minority Voting Rights and Representation

3 cr. Undergraduate.

An introduction to minority voting rights, the Voting Rights Acts, and minority representation.

Prerequisites: none.

Course Rules: Cultures and Communities Program course; required service learning component.

General Education Requirements: CD

Last Taught: Fall 2022, Fall 2018, Fall 2016.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 193 First-Year Seminar:

3 cr. Undergraduate.

The specific topics are announced in the Schedule of Classes each time the class is offered.

Prerequisites: none.

Course Rules: Open only to freshmen. Students may earn credit in just one L&S First-Year Seminar (course numbers 192, 193, 194).

General Education Requirements: SS

Last Taught: Fall 2024, Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 201 Introduction to Public Service

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Broad introduction to public service via scholarly and experiential learning.

Prerequisites: none.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 203 Introduction to Political Science Research

3 cr. Undergraduate.

An overview of quantitative political science research. The role of theory, research design, and measurement.

Prerequisites: one pol sci course.

Course Rules: Research methods course.

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Spring 2024, UWinterIM 2024, Fall 2023.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 210 American Public Policy

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Introduction to substantive policy issues and forces which influence their progress. Emphasis upon major values within political conflicts and the gap between policy goals and program implementation.

Prerequisites: none.

Course Rules: American politics course.

General Education Requirements: SS

Last Taught: Fall 2021, Spring 2019, Fall 2015, Spring 2015.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 213 Urban Government and Politics

3 cr. Undergraduate.

The management, politics, and problems of city government.

Prerequisites: none.**Course Rules:** American politics course.**General Education Requirements:** SS**Last Taught:** Fall 2020, Fall 2019, Spring 2018, Fall 2016.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 215 Ethnicity, Religion and Race in American Politics**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Nationality, racial and religion-based groups in American domestic and foreign policy-making; significance of cultural pluralism as a factor in the American political experience.

Prerequisites: none.**Course Rules:** American politics course.**General Education Requirements:** SS, CD**Last Taught:** Spring 2023, Summer 2022, Summer 2021, Fall 2020.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 216 Environmental Politics**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Introductory course on the politics of environmental decisionmaking. Topics include the environmental movement, capitalism and the environment, climate change, and policymaking for environmental protection.

Prerequisites: none.**Course Rules:** Counts as a repeat of Pol Sci 299 w/same topic.**Last Taught:** Spring 2024, Spring 2022, Spring 2021, Spring 2019.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 243 Public Administration**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

The means used to implement political values with emphasis on problems of administration in modern government.

Prerequisites: none.**Course Rules:** Pol Sci 243 & Pub Adm 243 are jointly offered; they count as repeats of one another.**General Education Requirements:** SS**Last Taught:** Spring 2023, Spring 2022, Spring 2021, Fall 2014.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 250 Law and Society**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

The law and the operation of the legal system as they relate to contemporary social issues.

Prerequisites: none.**Course Rules:** American politics course.**Last Taught:** Summer 2025, Fall 2024, Summer 2023, Fall 2022.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 255 The Body Politic: Topics in Health and Politics**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Study of the intersecting discourses of politics and health. Topics include (but are not limited to): biopolitics, care, contagion, crisis, disability, immunity, political psychology.

Prerequisites: none.**Course Rules:** Political theory course. Repeatable to 6 cr with change in topic.**General Education Requirements:** SS**Last Taught:** Summer 2024, Spring 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2022.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 281 Classics of Political Theory**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Power, authority, liberty, justice, law, and other basic ideas of politics and government as treated in the classic works of political thought.

Prerequisites: soph st.**Course Rules:** Political theory course.**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Spring 2023, Spring 2020, Fall 2012.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 297 Study Abroad:**

1-12 cr. Undergraduate.

Designed to enroll students in UWM sponsored program before course work level, content and credits are determined and/or in specially prepared program course work.

Prerequisites: acceptance for Study Abroad Program.**Course Rules:** May be retaken with change in topic.**Last Taught:** Spring 2024, Fall 2023, Spring 2023, Fall 2022.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 299 Ad Hoc:**

1-6 cr. Undergraduate.

Course created expressly for offering in a specified enrollment period. Requires only dept & assoc dean approval. In exceptional circumstances, can be offered in one add'l sem.

Prerequisites: none; add'l prereqs may be assigned to specific topic.**Course Rules:** May be retaken w/chg in topic.**Last Taught:** Fall 2010, Spring 2010, Fall 2009, Spring 2009.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 310 Russian and Post-Soviet Politics**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Domestic politics of Russia and the other states of the former Soviet Union; special emphasis is placed on transitions to and from authoritarianism, political institutions, and market reforms.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** Comparative politics course.**Last Taught:** Spring 2024, Fall 2022.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 310G Russian and Post-Soviet Politics**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Domestic politics of Russia and the other states of the former Soviet Union; special emphasis is placed on transitions to and from authoritarianism, political institutions, and market reforms.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** Comparative politics course.**Last Taught:** Spring 2024, Fall 2022.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 312 The Politics of Authoritarian Regimes**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Comparison of modern authoritarian regimes. Emphasis is on their domestic politics and methods of rule.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** Comparative politics course.**Last Taught:** Spring 2023, Fall 2021.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 312G The Politics of Authoritarian Regimes

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Comparison of modern authoritarian regimes. Emphasis is on their domestic politics and methods of rule.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** Comparative politics course.**Last Taught:** Spring 2023, Fall 2021.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 314 Chinese Politics and Foreign Policy**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Historical background. Communism and its reform: leadership and political change; economic policy; corruption; human rights; population; environment; Tibet and Xinjiang; foreign policy.

Prerequisites: jr st or one pol sci course.**Course Rules:** Comparative politics course.**Last Taught:** Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022, Spring 2021.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 316 International Law**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Rules and principles of behavior which govern nations in their relations with one another, as illustrated in texts and cases.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** International politics course.**Last Taught:** Spring 2025.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 316G International Law**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Rules and principles of behavior which govern nations in their relations with one another, as illustrated in texts and cases.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** International politics course.**Last Taught:** Spring 2025.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 321 Politics of Revolution in Developing Nations**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

The theory and description of political revolutions and rapid political change in the twentieth century.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** Comparative politics course.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 321G Politics of Revolution in Developing Nations**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

The theory and description of political revolutions and rapid political change in the twentieth century.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** Comparative politics course.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 325 Latin American Politics**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Analysis of contemporary governments in Latin America, with particular emphasis on the social way of life, the politics of economic organization and government in action.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** Comparative politics course.**Last Taught:** Fall 2024, Fall 2023.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 325G Latin American Politics**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Analysis of contemporary governments in Latin America, with particular emphasis on the social way of life, the politics of economic organization and government in action.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** Comparative politics course.**Last Taught:** Fall 2024, Fall 2023.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 328 The Arab-Israeli Conflict**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Competing views about the Arab-Israeli conflict, especially its Palestinian dimension. History and evolution of the conflict; current issues and possible solutions.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** Comparative politics course. Jewish 328 & Pol Sci 328 are jointly offered; they count as repeats of one another. Counts as a repeat of Hebr St 238 with same topic.**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Fall 2024.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 328G The Arab-Israeli Conflict**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Competing views about the Arab-Israeli conflict, especially its Palestinian dimension. History and evolution of the conflict; current issues and possible solutions.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** Comparative politics course. Jewish 328 & Pol Sci 328 are jointly offered; they count as repeats of one another. Counts as a repeat of Hebr St 238 with same topic.**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Fall 2024.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 329 African Politics**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

The process of political change in contemporary Africa, with emphasis on the problems of nationalism and nation-building.

Prerequisites: jr st; Pol Sci 106(R).**Course Rules:** Comparative politics course.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 329G African Politics**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

The process of political change in contemporary Africa, with emphasis on the problems of nationalism and nation-building.

Prerequisites: jr st; Pol Sci 106(R).**Course Rules:** Comparative politics course.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 330 The Politics of International Economic Relations**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Politics of international trade, finance, and investment. Politics of industrial policy and economic development. Economic crisis and policy responses.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** International politics course.**Last Taught:** Fall 2024.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 330G The Politics of International Economic Relations

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Politics of international trade, finance, and investment. Politics of industrial policy and economic development. Economic crisis and policy responses.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** International politics course.**Last Taught:** Fall 2024.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 333 Seminar in Comparative Politics:**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Intensive study in selected aspects of comparative politics.

Prerequisites: junior standing.**Course Rules:** May be retaken with change in topic to 9 cr max.

Enrollment limited to 15 students. Comparative politics course.

Last Taught: Spring 2022.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 333G Seminar in Comparative Politics:**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Intensive study in selected aspects of comparative politics.

Prerequisites: junior standing.**Course Rules:** May be retaken with change in topic to 9 cr max.

Enrollment limited to 15 students. Comparative politics course.

Last Taught: Spring 2022.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 335 Comparative Political Systems**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Government and politics in various Western and developing countries, stressing common experience as well as differences conditioned by diverse circumstances.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** Comparative politics course.**Last Taught:** Fall 2024, Fall 2023.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 335G Comparative Political Systems**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Government and politics in various Western and developing countries, stressing common experience as well as differences conditioned by diverse circumstances.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** Comparative politics course.**Last Taught:** Fall 2024, Fall 2023.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 337 International Organization and the United Nations**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Institutions and politics. Collective security, peacekeeping, terrorism, and arms control. International legal tribunals and human rights. International trade and finance. Economic development.

Prerequisites: jr st or one pol sci course.**Course Rules:** International politics course.**Last Taught:** Summer 2025, Summer 2024, UWinterIM 2024, Summer 2023.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 338 Seminar in International Relations:**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Intensive study in selected aspects of international relations. Add'l prereqs announced in Schedule of Classes each time course is offered.

Prerequisites: junior standing.**Course Rules:** May be retaken with change in topic to 6 cr max. International politics course.**Last Taught:** Summer 2025, Summer 2024.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 338G Seminar in International Relations:**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Intensive study in selected aspects of international relations. Add'l prereqs announced in Schedule of Classes each time course is offered.

Prerequisites: junior standing.**Course Rules:** May be retaken with change in topic to 6 cr max. International politics course.**Last Taught:** Summer 2025, Summer 2024.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 340 Politics of Nuclear Weapons**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Survey of nuclear war issues, including the effects of nuclear weapons, defense against nuclear attack, arms control, nuclear weapons proliferation, and nuclear ethics.

Prerequisites: jr st; course in pol sci or related field recom.**Course Rules:** International politics course.**Last Taught:** Spring 2024, Fall 2022.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 340G Politics of Nuclear Weapons**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Survey of nuclear war issues, including the effects of nuclear weapons, defense against nuclear attack, arms control, nuclear weapons proliferation, and nuclear ethics.

Prerequisites: jr st; course in pol sci or related field recom.**Course Rules:** International politics course.**Last Taught:** Spring 2024, Fall 2022.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 343 Asian International Relations**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Analysis of recent relations of the major powers in East, Southeast, and South Asia, especially the problems of the smaller states and the role of the United States.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** International politics course.**Last Taught:** Spring 2020, Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Spring 2015.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 345 Korean Politics and Foreign Policy**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Explores the changes in politics, economics, society and foreign policy in South Korea, which has rapidly moved from one of the poorest countries in the world to a thriving and important democracy.

Prerequisites: junior standing.**Course Rules:** Counts as a repeat of POL SCI 338 with similar topic.**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Spring 2022.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 359 Problems of American Foreign Policy

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Analysis of problems confronting the United States in principal regions of the world, emphasizing the content and instrumentalities of recent policy, and considering alternative solutions.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** International politics course.**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Spring 2024.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 359G Problems of American Foreign Policy**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Analysis of problems confronting the United States in principal regions of the world, emphasizing the content and instrumentalities of recent policy, and considering alternative solutions.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** International politics course.**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Spring 2024.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 361 History of International Political Thought**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

History of international political thought. Statist and internationalist theories of sovereignty, war, intervention, and international law.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** Political theory or international politics course.**Last Taught:** Fall 2024, Fall 2023.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 361G History of International Political Thought**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

History of international political thought. Statist and internationalist theories of sovereignty, war, intervention, and international law.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** Political theory or international politics course.**Last Taught:** Fall 2024, Fall 2023.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 365 Theories and Methods in International Politics**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Empirical, theoretical, and quantitative analyses of international relations.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** International politics course.**Last Taught:** Spring 2023, Spring 2018.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 365G Theories and Methods in International Politics**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Empirical, theoretical, and quantitative analyses of international relations.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** International politics course.**Last Taught:** Spring 2023, Spring 2018.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 370 International Conflict**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Theoretical and quantitative studies of international conflict and war. Includes individual, national, and systemic approaches.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** International politics course.**Last Taught:** Fall 2024, Fall 2023.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 370G International Conflict**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Theoretical and quantitative studies of international conflict and war. Includes individual, national, and systemic approaches.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** International politics course.**Last Taught:** Fall 2024, Fall 2023.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 371 Nationalism and Ethnic Conflict**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Origins of nations. Nationalism and the decline of empires. Origins and strategies of ethnic wars. How ethnic wars end. International intervention. Case studies, such as Arab-Israeli and India-Pakistan conflicts. Comparative or international politics course. Prereq: jr st or one pol sci course.

General Education Requirements: SS**Last Taught:** Spring 2024, Spring 2022, UWinterIM 2021, UWinterIM 2020.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 374 Health, Wealth, and Democracy**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

The relationship between the democracies and wealth, and health care outcomes.

Prerequisites: The relationship between the democracies and wealth, and health care outcomes.**Last Taught:** Summer 2025, Summer 2023, Summer 2022, Summer 2021.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 377 Elections in the Modern World**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Role of elections in contemporary political regimes; representation, accountability, electoral institutions, elections in new democracies, and electoral authoritarian regimes.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Last Taught:** Spring 2022, Fall 2020, Fall 2017, Fall 2015.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 379 Morality, Conflict and War**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Examines the conditions that make for war and peace in world politics, and considers relevant moral and ethical arguments about war.

Prerequisites: jr st**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 380 Honors Seminar:**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Selective topics in the study of politics.

Prerequisites: sophomore standing, HONORS 200(P), and consent of Honors College director.**Course Rules:** May be retaken with change in topic to 9 cr max. Political theory course.**General Education Requirements:** SS**Last Taught:** Spring 2023, Fall 2020, Spring 2017, Spring 2012.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 381 The Development of Western Political Thought

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Examination of European theories of politics in their imagined continuity from Greek & Roman antiquity to the present; how theorists argued for representational democracy, individual liberties, and legal transparency while justifying war, colonialism and genocide.

Prerequisites: junior standing and a grade of C or better in ENGLISH 102(P) or score level 4 on EPT.

Course Rules: Political theory course.

Last Taught: Fall 2015, Spring 2013.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 381G The Development of Western Political Thought

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Examination of European theories of politics in their imagined continuity from Greek & Roman antiquity to the present; how theorists argued for representational democracy, individual liberties, and legal transparency while justifying war, colonialism and genocide.

Prerequisites: junior standing and a grade of C or better in ENGLISH 102(P) or score level 4 on EPT.

Course Rules: Political theory course.

Last Taught: Fall 2015, Spring 2013.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 382 Modern Political Thought

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

European and American political theory from the 17th to the 19th century, with a focus on the emergence of the nation-state and related concepts (e.g., authority, democracy, conservatism, liberalism, national economies, war, and patriotism).

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: Political theory course.

Last Taught: Fall 2024, Fall 2023.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 382G Modern Political Thought

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

European and American political theory from the 17th to the 19th century, with a focus on the emergence of the nation-state and related concepts (e.g., authority, democracy, conservatism, liberalism, national economies, war, and patriotism).

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: Political theory course.

Last Taught: Fall 2024, Fall 2023.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 383 Environmental Political Theory

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Environmental political theory from a global perspective, emphasizing the interlinked nature of security and sustainability.

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: GLOBAL 383 and POL SCI 383 are jointly offered; they count as repeats of one another.

Last Taught: Spring 2024, Fall 2022.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 384 The Philosophy of Law

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

The idea of law and its relationship to morality. Issues of legal obligation, rights, responsibility, and punishment.

Prerequisites: jr st; 3 cr in philos or previous course in political theory or law studies recom.

Course Rules: Philos 384 & Pol Sci 384 are jointly offered; they count as repeats of one another. Political theory course.

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Spring 2024.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 384G The Philosophy of Law

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

The idea of law and its relationship to morality. Issues of legal obligation, rights, responsibility, and punishment.

Prerequisites: jr st; 3 cr in philos or previous course in political theory or law studies recom.

Course Rules: Philos 384 & Pol Sci 384 are jointly offered; they count as repeats of one another. Political theory course.

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Spring 2024.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 385 American Political Thought

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Survey of main currents of American political thought from colonial times to the present.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: Political theory course.

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Spring 2023.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 385G American Political Thought

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Survey of main currents of American political thought from colonial times to the present.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: Political theory course.

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Spring 2023.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 386 Contemporary Political Theory

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Politics as it emerges in unexpected places, with a focus on one or more unsettled, debatable issues. Examples of such ideological areas include capitalism, artificial intelligence, neurodiversity, biology, postcolonialism, animal rights, or libertarianism.

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: Political theory course.

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Spring 2024.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 386G Contemporary Political Theory

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Politics as it emerges in unexpected places, with a focus on one or more unsettled, debatable issues. Examples of such ideological areas include capitalism, artificial intelligence, neurodiversity, biology, postcolonialism, animal rights, or libertarianism.

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: Political theory course.

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Spring 2024.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 387 Topics in American Politics:

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Intensive study in selected aspects of American politics.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: May be retaken w/chg in topic to 6 cr max. American politics course.

Last Taught: Summer 2020.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 387G Topics in American Politics:

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Intensive study in selected aspects of American politics.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: May be retaken w/chg in topic to 6 cr max. American politics course.

Last Taught: Summer 2020.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 389 Politics and Philosophy:

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Ideas and methods in recent political theory, including the history of political thought, analytical political philosophy, and critical theory.

Prerequisites: jr st; one course in political theory.

Course Rules: Political theory course. May be retaken w/chg in topic to 6 cr max.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 389G Politics and Philosophy:

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Ideas and methods in recent political theory, including the history of political thought, analytical political philosophy, and critical theory.

Prerequisites: jr st; one course in political theory.

Course Rules: Political theory course. May be retaken w/chg in topic to 6 cr max.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 390 Political Data Analysis

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Research design, measurement, and techniques of political data analysis.

Prerequisites: junior standing and satisfaction of GER Quantitative Literacy Part A requirement.

Course Rules: Research methods course.

General Education Requirements: QLB

Last Taught: Fall 2024, Spring 2024.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 390G Political Data Analysis

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Research design, measurement, and techniques of political data analysis.

Prerequisites: junior standing and satisfaction of GER Quantitative Literacy Part A requirement.

Course Rules: Research methods course.

General Education Requirements: QLB

Last Taught: Fall 2024, Spring 2024.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 391 Current Crises and Events in International Relations

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Examines several current crises or challenging international events--defined as unstable, pressing international situations in which significant change appears imminent.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Last Taught: Spring 2023, Spring 2022, Spring 2021, Spring 2020.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 392 Survey Research

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Theory and practice of survey techniques. Planning, design, sampling, types of data, questionnaire construction, interviewing, field operation, and coding examples in a variety of fields.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: Research methods course.

Last Taught: Fall 2019, Fall 2017.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 392G Survey Research

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Theory and practice of survey techniques. Planning, design, sampling, types of data, questionnaire construction, interviewing, field operation, and coding examples in a variety of fields.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: Research methods course.

Last Taught: Fall 2019, Fall 2017.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 398 Cyberpolitics

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Nature and implications of cyberpolitics, particularly international. Topics include our cyber world; cyberpower; resistance against and efforts to control cyberspace; cyberspace governance. Special thematic focuses: data, artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, cybercrime, election interference, cyberwarfare.

Prerequisites: junior standing and one social science course.

Course Rules: May not be retaken for degree credit.

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Spring 2024.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 408 The American Presidency

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Study of the office and powers of the president, with an analysis of his major roles as chief administrator, legislative leader, political leader, initiator of foreign policies, Commander-in-Chief and head of state.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: American politics course.

Last Taught: Summer 2021.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 408G The American Presidency

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Study of the office and powers of the president, with an analysis of his major roles as chief administrator, legislative leader, political leader, initiator of foreign policies, Commander-in-Chief and head of state.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: American politics course.

Last Taught: Summer 2021.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 410 Law Through Popular Culture

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Popular media representation of law and courts and attempts to ascertain the impact of those representations on public attitudes about courts, judges, and attorneys.

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: Counts as repeat of POL SCI 471 with equivalent topic.

Last Taught: Fall 2023.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 410G Law Through Popular Culture

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Popular media representation of law and courts and attempts to ascertain the impact of those representations on public attitudes about courts, judges, and attorneys.

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: Counts as repeat of POL SCI 471 with equivalent topic.

Last Taught: Fall 2023.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 411 Constitutional Law: Government Powers and Federalism

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Constitutional interpretation, with emphasis on separation of powers, federalism, and property.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: American politics course.

Last Taught: Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 412 Constitutional Law: Civil Rights and Liberties

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Cases in civil rights and liberties in such areas as equal protection, due process, and First Amendment freedoms.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: American politics course.

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Spring 2023.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 412G Constitutional Law: Civil Rights and Liberties

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Cases in civil rights and liberties in such areas as equal protection, due process, and First Amendment freedoms.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: American politics course.

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Spring 2023.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 415 The Politics of Race, Ethnicity and Immigration

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Racial/ethnic histories in the US; political difference and commonality; influence of immigration on political behavior and attitudes.

Prerequisites: jr st.

General Education Requirements: CD

Last Taught: Spring 2021, Spring 2019, Spring 2017.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 416 Judicial Politics

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Trial and appellate court structure; litigation in federal and state contexts; key actors in the judicial process, including litigants, lawyers, judges, and juries.

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: American politics course.

Last Taught: Spring 2025.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 416G Judicial Politics

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Trial and appellate court structure; litigation in federal and state contexts; key actors in the judicial process, including litigants, lawyers, judges, and juries.

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: American politics course.

Last Taught: Spring 2025.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 417 The Supreme Court

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Behavior of U.S. Supreme Court justices and other appellate judges and courts within the judicial and political systems.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: American politics course.

Last Taught: Fall 2024, Spring 2024.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 417G The Supreme Court

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Behavior of U.S. Supreme Court justices and other appellate judges and courts within the judicial and political systems.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: American politics course.

Last Taught: Fall 2024, Spring 2024.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 419 Constitutional Interpretation

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Analysis of contemporary interpretive themes, including judicial activism, the living Constitution, and critical theories of law.

Prerequisites: Pol Sci 411(P) or 412(P).

Course Rules: American politics course.

Last Taught: Fall 2000, Spring 1997.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 419G Constitutional Interpretation

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Analysis of contemporary interpretive themes, including judicial activism, the living Constitution, and critical theories of law.

Prerequisites: Pol Sci 411(P) or 412(P).

Course Rules: American politics course.

Last Taught: Fall 2000, Spring 1997.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 421 Party Politics in America

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

The role of political parties in the nominating process, campaigns, fund raising, voter choice, and the governing processes of Congress and the presidency.

Prerequisites: jr st; Pol Sci 103(P) or 104(P).

Course Rules: American politics course.

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Spring 2021.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 421G Party Politics in America

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

The role of political parties in the nominating process, campaigns, fund raising, voter choice, and the governing processes of Congress and the presidency.

Prerequisites: jr st; Pol Sci 103(P) or 104(P).

Course Rules: American politics course.

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Spring 2021.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 423 Conduct of American Foreign Affairs

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Descriptive analysis of the way American foreign policy is formulated and carried out by federal agencies.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: International Politics course.

Last Taught: UWinterIM 2025, Fall 2024.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 423G Conduct of American Foreign Affairs

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Descriptive analysis of the way American foreign policy is formulated and carried out by federal agencies.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: International Politics course.

Last Taught: UWinterIM 2025, Fall 2024.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 425 Women in Politics

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Political attitudes and behavior of women; socialization and selection of women for political offices; and women's issues in politics.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: American politics course.

Last Taught: Spring 2023, Spring 2021, Spring 2011, Fall 2009.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 426 Congressional Politics

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

The role of Congress in shaping public policy, with emphasis on the impact of elections, lawmaking procedures, congressional committees, political parties, interest groups, and presidents.

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: American politics course.

Last Taught: Fall 2023, Fall 2018.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 426G Congressional Politics

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

The role of Congress in shaping public policy, with emphasis on the impact of elections, lawmaking procedures, congressional committees, political parties, interest groups, and presidents.

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: American politics course.

Last Taught: Fall 2023, Fall 2018.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 450 Urban Political Problems

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Reading and analysis of specific urban problems and governmental responses.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: American politics course.

Last Taught: Summer 2007, Summer 2006.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 450G Urban Political Problems

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Reading and analysis of specific urban problems and governmental responses.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: American politics course.

Last Taught: Summer 2007, Summer 2006.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 452 Administrative Law

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

An examination of due process, privacy, and other constitutional and legal issues as they arise in the regulatory, investigatory, and enforcement activities of administrative agencies.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: American politics course. Pol Sci 452 & Pub Adm 452 are jointly offered; they count as repeats of one another.

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Spring 2024.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 452G Administrative Law

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

An examination of due process, privacy, and other constitutional and legal issues as they arise in the regulatory, investigatory, and enforcement activities of administrative agencies.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: American politics course. Pol Sci 452 & Pub Adm 452 are jointly offered; they count as repeats of one another.

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Spring 2024.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 464 Sex, Gender, and the Law

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Topics in federal and state law pertaining to women, gender, and feminism, such as reproductive rights, domestic violence, and pay equity.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: American politics course.

Last Taught: Spring 2023, Spring 2022, Summer 2020, Spring 2020.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 467 Elections and Voting Behavior

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Psychological and social components of voting behavior, current electoral trends, and role of voters in the governing process.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** American politics course.**Last Taught:** Fall 2020, Fall 2016.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 467G Elections and Voting Behavior**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Psychological and social components of voting behavior, current electoral trends, and role of voters in the governing process.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** American politics course.**Last Taught:** Fall 2020, Fall 2016.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 471 Problems in Law Studies:**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Discussion of selected problems in contemporary law and politics, such as civil rights movements or law and sexuality.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** May be retaken w/chg in topic to 6 cr max. American politics course.**Last Taught:** Spring 2020, Spring 2019.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 471G Problems in Law Studies:**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Discussion of selected problems in contemporary law and politics, such as civil rights movements or law and sexuality.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** May be retaken w/chg in topic to 6 cr max. American politics course.**Last Taught:** Spring 2020, Spring 2019.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 473 Public Opinion**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Formation of opinions within and among political publics; role of public opinion in the development and practice of governmental policy.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Last Taught:** Fall 2024, Spring 2013.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 473G Public Opinion**

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Formation of opinions within and among political publics; role of public opinion in the development and practice of governmental policy.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Last Taught:** Fall 2024, Spring 2013.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 475 Political Psychology**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Examination of the psychological origins of citizens' political beliefs and action. An overview of theories and methods in the field of political psychology.

Prerequisites: jr st.**Course Rules:** American politics course.**Last Taught:** Fall 2021, Spring 2020.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 489 Internship in Political Science**

1-6 cr. Undergraduate.

Application of advanced principles in political science in a governmental or political setting.

Prerequisites: junior standing; 3.0 GPA and consent of supervising faculty member.**Course Rules:** One cr earned for academic work related to each 40 hrs of internship work. May be retaken to 6 cr max.**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Fall 2024, Spring 2024, Fall 2023.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 497 Study Abroad:**

1-12 cr. Undergraduate.

Designed to enroll students in UWM sponsored program before course work level, content and credits are determined and/or in specially prepared program course work.

Prerequisites: junior standing and acceptance for Study Abroad Program.**Course Rules:** May be retaken with change in topic.**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Spring 2023.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 499 Ad Hoc:**

1-6 cr. Undergraduate.

Course created expressly for offering in a specified enrollment period.

Requires only dept & assoc dean approval. In exceptional circumstances, can be offered in one add'l sem.

Prerequisites: jr st; add'l prereqs may be assigned to specific topic.**Course Rules:** May be retaken w/chg in topic.**Last Taught:** Spring 2013, Fall 2010, Spring 2010, Fall 2009.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 699 Independent Reading**

1-6 cr. Undergraduate.

Students with superior grade-point averages and special aptitudes may be given permission to earn up to 6 cr toward the major by writing a thesis or doing directed research or reading. See Advanced Independent Study for further information. Consult the Political Science Chair.

Prerequisites: jr st; 2.0 GPA; consent of instructor, department chair, and Assistant Dean for Student Academic Services.**Course Rules:** May be retaken with change in topic.**Last Taught:** Fall 2023, Spring 2023, Fall 2022, Spring 2022.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 700 Scope and Methods of Political Science**

3 cr. Graduate.

Critical examination of the normative and empirical methodologies of political science.

Prerequisites: grad st.**Last Taught:** Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 701 Techniques of Political Science Research**

3 cr. Graduate.

Introduction to basic techniques of collecting, coding, processing, analyzing, and presenting political data.

Prerequisites: grad st; one undergrad stats course or cons instr.**Last Taught:** Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 702 Advanced Techniques of Political Science Research

3 cr. Graduate.

Advanced course in quantitative analysis stressing the application of econometric techniques to the study of politics.

Prerequisites: grad st; Pol Sci 701(P).**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 711 Current Topics in Political Science:**

1-3 cr. Graduate.

This course will address a specific topic or methodological approach of general disciplinary importance.

Prerequisites: grad st.**Course Rules:** Retakable w/chg in topic & cons advisor & instr to 6 cr max.**Last Taught:** Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2017, Spring 2017.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 715 Introduction to Comparative Politics I**

3 cr. Graduate.

First part of a two-semester introductory seminar in comparative politics, emphasizing the logic of comparison and introducing broad themes in the subfield.

Prerequisites: grad st**Last Taught:** Fall 2024, Fall 2022, Fall 2020, Fall 2017.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 716 Intro to Comparatv Politics II**

3 cr. Graduate.

The second course in a graduate introduction to comparative politics.

Foundation for students considering further work in comparative politics; emphasis on empirical research literature.

Prerequisites: grad st; Pol Sci 715(P) or cons instr**Last Taught:** Fall 2021, Spring 2013, Fall 2010.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 720 Theoretical and Methodological Issues of Comparative Politics**

3 cr. Graduate.

Seminar on theory construction, research design, and the logic of comparative social inquiry.

Prerequisites: grad st.**Last Taught:** Spring 2023, Fall 2020, Fall 2007, Fall 2003.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 725 Judicial Politics and Behavior**

3 cr. Graduate.

Readings in the field of judicial politics and behavior, with particular attention to decision making in collegial courts and to scientific methods of analysis.

Prerequisites: grad st.**Last Taught:** Fall 2022, Fall 2017, Fall 2013, Spring 2009.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 727 Seminar in Constitutional Law**

3 cr. Graduate.

Major trends in constitutional case law and in critical analysis of the role of the court in american democracy.

Prerequisites: grad st; cons instr.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 749 Seminar in American Political Institutions**

3 cr. Graduate.

Overview of political institutions including executives, legislatures, bureaucracies, courts, interest groups and others and the role they play in the political and policy process.

Prerequisites: grad st.**Last Taught:** Spring 2022, Fall 2019, Fall 2016, Spring 2015.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 750 Seminar in the Study of American Political Behavior**

3 cr. Graduate.

Readings and research on a broad range of topics related to political behavior. Concentration on the political science literature on mass political behavior with some attention to the behavior of political elites.

Prerequisites: grad st.**Last Taught:** Fall 2024, Fall 2021, Fall 2018, Fall 2015.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 751 Seminar in Public Policy Formation**

3 cr. Graduate.

Nature and consequences of constraints upon policy-makers in political institutions.

Prerequisites: grad st.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 801 Proseminar in Political Theory**

3 cr. Graduate.

Political theory for graduate students in any field, based on historical and contemporary texts that illustrate different understandings of politics and political theory.

Prerequisites: grad st**Last Taught:** Spring 2020, Fall 2013, Spring 2012.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 814 Major Political Theorists:**

3 cr. Graduate.

Consideration of selected political theorists, periods, or traditions.

Attention given to issues of textual interpretation, historical context, and conceptual analysis.

Prerequisites: graduate standing.**Course Rules:** Retakable with change in topic to 6 cr max.**Last Taught:** Fall 2024, Fall 2021, Spring 2014, Spring 1990.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 815 Problems in Political Theory:**

3 cr. Graduate.

Selected concepts and controversies in the historical and contemporary literature of political theory, such as authority, obligation, equality, justice and the explanation of human conduct.

Prerequisites: grad st.**Course Rules:** Retakable w/chg in topic to 6 cr max.**Last Taught:** Fall 2023, Spring 2023, Spring 2019, Fall 2016.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 817 Feminist Theory and Politics**

3 cr. Graduate.

Examination and analysis of historical and theoretical aspects of feminist theory and politics including liberal, cultural, radical, postmodern, and queer political theory.

Prerequisites: grad st.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 818 Theories of International Political Economy

3 cr. Graduate.

Analysis of major political theories of international economic relations. Examine international political economy issues in industrial developing, and communist countries.

Prerequisites: grad st; intro courses in Econ & Intlrel.**Last Taught:** Fall 2023, Spring 2021, Fall 2018, Fall 2014.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 855 Comparative Urban Politics**

3 cr. Graduate.

Examination of critical roles, structures, and processes of urban politics in different cultural settings. Selected to facilitate comparisons between the urban political process in developed and underdeveloped nations.

Prerequisites: second semester grad student.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 888 Candidate for Degree**

0 cr. Graduate.

Available for graduate students who must meet minimum credit load requirements.

Prerequisites: graduate standing.**Course Rules:** Fee for 1 cr assessed; unit does not count towards credit load for Fin Aid. Repeatable. Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory only.**Last Taught:** Fall 2020, Summer 2017, Fall 2012, Summer 2012.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 913 Seminar in Urban Political Process**

3 cr. Graduate.

Analysis of the forces and processes that shape urban political life, with particular emphasis on patterns of government, political culture, power structures, and civic participation in urban and metropolitan communities.

Prerequisites: grad st.**Course Rules:** Pol Sci 913 & Urb Std 913 are jointly-offered; they count as repeats of one another.**Last Taught:** Spring 2023, Fall 2019, Spring 2016, Spring 2013.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 925 Applied Bayesian Modeling for the Social Sciences**

3 cr. Graduate.

Theoretical foundations of Bayesian in comparison to Frequentist inference as well as applications of MCMC simulation to GLMs, hierarchical, time-series and measurement models.

Prerequisites: grad st; Pol Sci 935(P) or equiv.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 926 Seminar in the Legislative Process**

3 cr. Graduate.

Analysis of the legislative process and the role of the legislature in the political system and research in legislative behavior.

Prerequisites: grad st.**Last Taught:** Spring 2024, Spring 2018, Spring 2012, Fall 2010.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 929 Seminar in Voting Behavior**

3 cr. Graduate.

Voter decision making within and between elections.

Prerequisites: grad st.**Last Taught:** Spring 2021, Spring 2017, Fall 2011, Spring 2009.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 935 Seminar in Advanced Political Science Methodology**

3 cr. Graduate.

An advanced seminar in selected topics on political science methodology.

Prerequisites: grad st; Pol Sci 701(817)(P).**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Fall 2022, Fall 2020, Spring 2015.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 936 Applied Bayesian Modeling for the Social Sciences**

3 cr. Graduate.

Theoretical foundations of Bayesian in comparison to Frequentist inference as well as applications of MCMC simulation to GLMs, hierarchical, time-series and measurement models.

Prerequisites: grad st; Pol Sci 935(P) or equiv.**Last Taught:** Fall 2012.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 952 The Politics of Developing Nations:**

3 cr. Graduate.

Variable content course.

Prerequisites: grad st.**Course Rules:** Retakable w/chg in topic to 6 cr max.**Last Taught:** Spring 2024, Spring 2020, Spring 2018, Spring 2016.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 953 Seminar in American Foreign Policy**

3 cr. Graduate.

Analysis-in-depth of selected issues in the formulation and execution of American foreign policy, emphasizing recent problems, changes in world conditions, and methods of studying American policy.

Prerequisites: grad st.**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Spring 2022, Spring 2019, Spring 2016.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 956 Political Culture and Behavior: Industrial Nations**

3 cr. Graduate.

Political culture and mass political behavior in industrialized societies, including theories of ideology, multiculturalism, and political parties. A data-based paper is required.

Prerequisites: grad st; Pol Sci 701(817)(P) or equiv prep in statistics.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 960 International Conflict**

3 cr. Graduate.

Examines positive theories and quantitative research pertaining to causes and resolution of international conflict.

Prerequisites: grad st.**Last Taught:** Spring 2024, Fall 2021, Spring 2018, Fall 2015.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>**POL SCI 961 International Political Theory**

3 cr. Graduate.

The study of the moral and political philosophy of international relations.

Prerequisites: grad st.**Last Taught:** Fall 2024, Fall 2004, Fall 2002, Spring 2000.**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 962 Ethnic Conflict

3 cr. Graduate.

Origins, strategies, duration, and termination of ethnic conflicts; international intervention.

Prerequisites: grad st

Last Taught: Spring 2023, Fall 2019, Spring 2017, Fall 2013.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 964 Seminar in Constitutional Politics

3 cr. Graduate.

Various approaches to the study of constitutional politics, including law as ideology, noninterpretivism, originalism, and departmentalism.

Prerequisites: grad st; Pol Sci 727(P).

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 974 Seminar in Politics and Public Policy

3 cr. Graduate.

Research in the formulation and execution of public policy in a democratic society.

Prerequisites: grad st.

Last Taught: Spring 2022, Spring 2020, Spring 2018, Spring 2016.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 975 Comparative Authoritarianism

3 cr. Graduate.

Domestic and international politics of authoritarian regimes; methods of rule, regime survival strategies, and political economy.

Prerequisites: grad st.

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Spring 2023, Spring 2021, Fall 2018.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 976 Comparative Public Policy

3 cr. Graduate.

Major theories and methods in comparative public policy relevant to specific areas of the world. Area focus varies from semester to semester.

Prerequisites: graduate standing.

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Spring 2022, Spring 2019, Spring 2015.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 990 Research and Thesis

1-3 cr. Graduate.

Prerequisites: grad st; cons instr.

Last Taught: Summer 2025, Spring 2025, Fall 2024, Summer 2024.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

POL SCI 999 Independent Work

1-3 cr. Graduate.

Individual work directed by a member of the graduate faculty.

Prerequisites: grad st & cons instr.

Last Taught: Summer 2025, Spring 2025, Fall 2024, Fall 2023.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>