POLITICAL SCIENCE (POL)

POL 100. Introduction To American Nationall Government. 3 Credit Hours.
As one of the most influential intellectuals of the 20th century, John Rawls has become a point of reference in debates in philosophy, international relations, and political science. We will study Rawls' major works, and critiques of those writings.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Summer.

POL 199. UMinDC Introduction to American National Government. 6 Credit Hours.
Introduction to American national government taught in Washington DC as part of the UM in DC program. Includes excursions and guest speakers active in politics.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 200. Introduction to World Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
Evolution of the state system. Comparative analysis of political and economic systems; introduction to major theories of governance. Forces of integration and disintegration; the global political economy; and environmental considerations.
Requisite: Plan of Summer Scholar Program.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 201. Introduction to American National Government. 3 Credit Hours.
Examination of the principles, structures, and processes of the national government of the United States. Frequent comparisons made with others countries.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 202. Introduction To Comparative Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
This course introduces students to study of comparative and international politics by examining how conflicts over these issues have played out in several different countries around the world.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 203. Introduction to International Relations. 3.00 Credit Hours.
Introduction to the theory and practice of international relations. Analyzes the modern state system; globalization; diplomacy and negotiation, balance of power considerations.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 213. Government and Society. 3 Credit Hours.
Examination of such key issues as the role of business in society, the nature of corporate responsibility, business ethics practices, and the interactive roles of government and business in a global society. Not for major or minor credit.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 250. Scope and Methods of Political Science. 3 Credit Hours.
The basic skills needed in political science to critically read academic journal articles and books. The application of scientific methods to the study of public life, focusing on research design and introducing students to the various methodologies used by researchers to draw descriptive and causal inference about the political world. Some methods introduced include ethnography, experimentation, the case study, and survey research.
Prerequisite: POL 199 or POL 201 or POL 202 or POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 300. The Politics of Growth Management. 3 Credit Hours.
An analysis of growth management policies and techniques. Topics include urban environmental issues, development of growth management policies, and growth management planning techniques.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 301. The Science And Practice Of Political Research. 3 Credit Hours.
Exposes students to the way in which scientific knowledge of political phenomena is currently created and evaluated.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 202 or POL 203.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 302. Political Fiction and Film. 3 Credit Hours.
Politics as presented in films and in relevant texts such as novels and biographies.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 202 or POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 305. Introduction To Political Theory. 3 Credit Hours.
Politics is organized behavior shaped by power. This brief, stripped-down, and pragmatic definition is what we will use in gaining access to the political philosophers we will study in this course. Students will have a greater understanding of arguments and texts in political philosophy.
Prerequisite: POL 199 or POL 201 or POL 202 or POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.
POL 306. Positive Political Theory. 3 Credit Hours.
Introduction to positive political theory as a study of politics using quantitative methods such as game theory, laboratory experiments, and computer simulation. The political agents involved in a given interaction are modeled as rational players guided by self-interest whose behavior can be formally explained or predicted.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 307. Political Ideologies. 3 Credit Hours.
Covers modern and contemporary political ideologies, such as Liberalism, Conservativism, and Marxism.
Prerequisite: POL 199 or POL 201 or POL 202 or POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 308. Security, Globalization, and Human Rights. 3 Credit Hours.
Tracks the roles of power and morality in the political cultures of Great Britain, including the use of force in national security policies, the moral and political framing of global terrorism, the deployment of human rights to address recent global issues (like genocide), and the influence of religion in contemporary British politics.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 309. American Political Thought. 3 Credit Hours.
This class traces the evolution of democratic thinking in America. Topics include the meaning of representation, citizenship, equality and liberty.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 310. God, Science, and Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
A study of morality and religion that addresses the competing influences of material and spiritual discourses on political regimes and practices. The talking points for the course include the various proofs and refutations offered throughout history of God's existence, the differences and similarities of scientific and religious approaches to experience, and the ways in which moral and religious principles enlighten politics as they fold into the vocabularies of natural law and right, and contaminate the political with religious violence in the name of God.
Prerequisite: POL 199 or POL 201 or POL 202 or POL 203 or INS 101 or REL 101 or PHI 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 311. Conspiracy Theories And The Public. 3 Credit Hours.
Why do people believe in conspiracy theories? This inter-disciplinary course examines a variety of explanations for conspiratorial beliefs.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Spring.

POL 313. The Constitution. 3 Credit Hours.
This course examines the US Constitution from a political and historical prospective. This is a writing intensive course.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 314. Legislative Processes. 3 Credit Hours.
Examination and analysis of the United States Congress. Emphasis on internal structure and operations, congressional roles and procedures, party leadership, external influences on congress, and incentives for congressional behavior.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Spring.

POL 315. American Presidency. 3 Credit Hours.
Historic development of presidential power; sources of the powers of the modern presidency, institutional decision-making; how and to what degree presidential power should be controlled.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 320. Politics Of Growth Management. 3 Credit Hours.
The purposes and techniques of managing growth in our urban areas. Conducted as a seminar with lectures by the instructor augmented by class discussion.
Prerequisite: POL 201.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 321. Public Policy And Administration. 3 Credit Hours.
The purpose of this course is to instruct students in the problems and processes in the implementation of public policy at an introductory level.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

POL 322. Environmental Politics and Policy. 3 Credit Hours.
Examines the federal government's policies toward the National Forests and public grasslands; water supply policies and politics of the Everglade and Far West; global warming; U.S. air and water pollution policies and politics as well as those related to waste management; U.S. energy policies; and trade and the environment.
Prerequisite: POL 199 or POL 201, and POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall & Summer.
POL 323. Global Warming, Politics and the European Union. 6 Credit Hours.
The European Union (EU), and especially France to ecologically modernize their advanced economies. The course will treat the EU effort to fashion an international agreement on climate change. This class in conducted in Paris, France.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Summer.

POL 332. Mass Media and Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
Role of media in American politics. Historical development of the media from newspapers, through radio, to television and new media such as the internet. Changing norms of news media reportage. The growth of political advertising both during and between elections; the effects of these developments on American government and on the public.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 334. Campaigns. 3 Credit Hours.
Students learn about political campaigns by becoming involved in an active campaign and studying the academic literature about elections and campaigns. Topics are media, campaign organization, voters, issues, political parties, elections, and the five elements of every campaign.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 335. Local Government. 3 Credit Hours.
Examination of city and county governments and politics. Focuses on structures, leadership, taxing and spending, the influence of state and federal governments, and “hot-button” issues of importance to South Florida communities.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 337. International Law and Organizations. 3 Credit Hours.
This course focuses on the interaction of states through various legal regimes. We will consider the role of international law and organizations in politics, and the political implications of both criminal and civil international law from the perspective of the state, the individual, and non-governmental actors. Readings, lectures, class discussions, and examinations will familiarize the students with the parameters and limitations as well as the policy and practice of international law.
Prerequisite: POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 341. Nationalism, Ethnicity, and Political Conflict. 3 Credit Hours.
Examines theories of ethnic and national conflict focusing on contemporary issues throughout the world.
Prerequisite: POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 342. State and Local Government and Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
State constitutions, political parties, legislatures, executives court systems, administrative systems and services, financial problems, city and county governments, local-state, federal-state and interstate relations. Special emphasis on governments in Florida.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Spring.

POL 343. Government In Metropolitan Areas. 3 Credit Hours.
This course will introduce the student to the organization and functions of counties and municipalities in the United States. On occasion guest speakers will be featured. We will examine Miami-Dade County as a concrete example of the course content.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 344. Gender and Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
Compares the roles played by men and women in political systems worldwide; examines public policy outcomes with significant gender-based effects, including policies on sexuality & reproductive health, gender-based violence, work & the family, and access to education.
Prerequisite: POL 202.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 345. The United States and Asia. 3 Credit Hours.
Political, economic, and security aspects of America’s relations with the Asian-Pacific area. Trade and alliance relationships. Actions and interactions of Asian states, their alignments with each other; the impact of these alignments on their relationships with the United States and in the global balance of power.
Prerequisite: POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 346. U.S.-Latin American Relations. 3 Credit Hours.
Systematic survey of U.S.-Latin American relations highlighting contending paradigms in the study of hemispheric relations. Examines issues in East-West and North-South relations and political economy of Brazil, Mexico, and Argentina. Considers alternative U.S. foreign policies.
Prerequisite: POL 202 or POL 203, and INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 347. American Foreign Policy. 3 Credit Hours.
This course investigates how American primacy came to be, what its consequences are, and what will drive American foreign policy in the future. Students use social science to evaluate claims and understand the world, improve their ability to advance and defend arguments, and develop a broad base of knowledge about American foreign policy history and issues.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.
POL 348. United States Relations with the Middle East. 3 Credit Hours.
Evolution of American relations with the Middle East. Analysis of the motivations and calculations, including domestic and external sources of policy-making and implementation. Emphasis on post-World War II period, with particular attention to the current administration.
Prerequisite: POL 199 or POL 201, and POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 349. U. S. Defense Policy. 3 Credit Hours.
Examination of key problems of national security in the post-Cold War environment. Emphasis on the structure and functioning of the US defense establishment and its interactions with its most probable adversaries and allies. Consideration of the constraints on, and options open to, policy planners, and with the institutional elements of the decision making process.
Prerequisite: POL 199 or POL 201, and POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 351. Public Opinion. 3 Credit Hours.
Political functions of public opinion; opinion dynamics in the U.S.A.; quantitative analysis of elements in opinion change; principles of political control via mass media in the U.S.A.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Spring.

POL 352. Political Parties. 3 Credit Hours.
Analysis of political organizations and electoral processes in the United States: their history, current status, and present trends. Consideration of the organization, control, and finances of political parties and pressure groups, their characteristic practices, and their relationship to political democracy.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 353. Interest Groups and Lobbying. 3 Credit Hours.
Analysis of lobbying and political interest groups in the United States; history, current status, and present trends. The organizations, control, and finances of pressure groups, their characteristic practices, and their relationship to democracy. Also, lobbying by citizens and groups more broadly, including the role of campaign contributions.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 354. The CIA and the World of Intelligence. 3 Credit Hours.
What the CIA does, how it does it, and the ways in which the CIA works with other intelligence agencies. Topics explored include: notable intelligence successes and failures, key intelligence issues, and ethical debates about intelligence activities including covert action.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 360. Congressional Representation. 3 Credit Hours.
Examination of how and when citizens influence legislators' behavior. How legislators' floor behavior reflects citizens' preferences and how these preferences influence the formation of electoral coalitions.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 367. The Historical Roots of American Imperialism. 3 Credit Hours.
Examines the assertive and exploitative aspects of U.S. foreign policy.
Prerequisite: POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 370. Global Energy Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
Energy use throughout history has shaped humanity's politics and economics; the politics of the depletion of fossil fuels; global warming; "green" alternative energies: solar; wind; waves; civilian nuclear power.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 203.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 372. Introduction to Criminal Justice. 3 Credit Hours.
Selected topics in criminal law with an emphasis on constitutional criminal procedure and post 9/11 developments in federal criminal law: constitutional principles covering investigation and arrest, racial profiling, warrant-less searches, controversial interrogation techniques, rights of "enemy combatants" and the imposition of capital punishment.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Spring.

POL 373. Constitutional Law I. 3 Credit Hours.
A study of the development of the principles of American Constitutional Law, with a course focus upon those constitutional principles developed from the original document. Areas of study include judicial review, separation of powers, the Commerce Clause, the Contract Clause, and the Due Process Clauses.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 374. Constitutional Law II. 3 Credit Hours.
An examination of the historical, political and legal development of constitutional law in the area of civil liberties will be done in large part by reading and discussing the major U.S. Supreme Court opinions related to these amendments and others.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
POL 380. Comparative Political Analysis. 3 Credit Hours.
An introduction to the techniques of comparative political analysis by applying major social scientific arguments to the question: Why do some countries develop stable democracies and others do not? Students will pursue their own research projects seeking to answer this question in the context of a country or countries of their choice.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Spring.

POL 381. West European Politics (Previous Title: European Politics and Government). 3 Credit Hours.
Examination of political and economic developments in western European countries.
Prerequisite: POL 202.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 382. Government and Politics of the Federal Republic of Germany. 3 Credit Hours.
An examination of Germany’s political system, its political parties, and the country’s economic, social and foreign policies.
Prerequisite: POL 202.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 384. Postcommunist Russian Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
Examines the demise of the USSR and the tumultuous post-communist transition in Russia from Gorbachev to Putin and Medvedev. The foundations of state power, the political party system, civil society, petro-state capitalism, endemic corruption, current politics, and Russian nationalism are examined through the lens of western and Russian political science theories.
Prerequisite: POL 202.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 385. Politics and Society in Latin America. 3 Credit Hours.
Introduction to the politics of Latin American countries focusing on 20th century history, the impact of the Cold War and home-grown social struggles, economic development models, the difficulties of democratic consolidation, U.S.-Latin America relations, the emergence of new political actors such as women’s and indigenous movements, and current political constellations. The course combines a study of thematic issues with case studies.
Prerequisite: POL 202.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

POL 386. Democratic Consolidation. 3 Credit Hours.
Explore the general concept of “democratic consolidation” which has become a timely topic in the discourse of today’s foreign policy. We will examine the central theoretical concepts that frame the discourse and then examine several case studies.
Prerequisite: POL 202.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 387. Politics of the Middle East. 3 Credit Hours.
Comparative analysis of the political development of the Middle East in terms of nations and as a region. Particular stress is on the relationships within the region and with other regions of the world.
Prerequisite: POL 202.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 388. Politics Of Israel. 3 Credit Hours.
It is the purpose of this course to examine the Israeli system. Three themes will structure this investigation. The first considers the complex, and evolving, identity questions and politics that attend Jewishness, Zionism and being Israeli. The second investigates legitimacy, the nature and dynamics of the Israeli political system. And the third engages the multidimensional nature of Israeli security.
Prerequisite: POL 202.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 389. Special Topics in Comparative Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
A lecture course in Comparative Politics, designed to give the student a greater degree of knowledge of a particular subject within this subfield. This topic may be repeated for credit.
Prerequisite: POL 202.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 390. Special Topics in American Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
A lecture course in American Politics, designed to give the student a greater degree of knowledge of a particular subject within this subfield. This topic may be repeated for credit.
Prerequisite: POL 201.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 391. Special Topics in International Relations. 3 Credit Hours.
A lecture course in International Relations, designed to give the student a greater degree of knowledge of a particular subject within this subfield. This topic may be repeated for credit.
Prerequisite: POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 392. International Terrorism. 3 Credit Hours.
Study of phenomenon of low-intensity warfare known as international terrorism in all its variations: state, state-sponsored, state-supported, domestic revolutionary terrorism and counter-terrorism. Also examines governmental policies of countering terrorism.
Prerequisite: POL 202 or POL 203, and INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Spring.
POL 393. Special Topics in Public Administration, Policy, and Law. 3 Credit Hours.
A lecture course in Public Administration, Policy, and Law, designed to give the student a greater degree of knowledge of a particular subject within this subfield. This topic may be repeated for credit.
Prerequisite: POL 201.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 394. Special Topics in Political Theory and Methods. 3 Credit Hours.
A lecture course in Political Theory and Methods, designed to give the student a greater degree of knowledge of a particular subject within this subfield. This topic may be repeated for credit.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 202 or POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.

POL 395. Transfer Credit In Political Theory And Methods. 1-9 Credit Hours.
Course for which there is no direct UM equivalent.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.

POL 396. TRANSFER CREDIT IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION, POLICY, AND LAW. 1-9 Credit Hours.
Interdisciplinary workshops will treat different policy issues with a view toward developing a theory of deliberate social change. The scenario will include the stance and role of the change agent and the institutional forms involved in changing urban settings.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.

POL 397. Transfer Credits In International Relations. 1-9 Credit Hours.
Course for which there is no direct UM equivalent.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.

POL 398. Transfer Credit In Comparative Politics. 1-9 Credit Hours.
Course for which there is no direct UM equivalent.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.

POL 399. Transfer Credit In American Politics. 1-9 Credit Hours.
Course for which there is no direct UM equivalent
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.

POL 400. The 2012 Election. 3 Credit Hours.
An interdisciplinary approach to the 2012 elections. Topics include voter turnout, campaign strategy, racial politics, and voting laws.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.

POL 401. The Election. 3 Credit Hours.
In a democracy, the actions of the government are based on the wishes of the citizenry. We will examine the vital role that elections play in this process, specifically focusing on the issues and events surrounding the on-going elections.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 491. Immigration Reform And The 2014 Election. 3 Credit Hours.
This is a unique experience that will include high-profile guest speakers. The course encourages active student participation through social media. We will examine the debate on immigration including both documented and undocumented workers. The course examines the impact of recent waves of immigration on U.S. society, market, workforce, education, media, culture, healthcare, and law enforcement.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 499. Special Topics. 1-3 Credit Hours.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 501. Budget and Financial Management and Administration. 3 Credit Hours.
Role of the budget in shaping public policy; managing public revenues; budgetary theory, politics, and fiscal management. Examples from state, municipal and federal governments.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.

POL 506. From Plato Through Rawls. 3 Credit Hours.
Political thought of the past with more recent insights and concepts, often drawn from the work of theorists who question what is taken for granted in traditional political theory.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 202 or POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.

POL 507. Politics, Sociology, & Economy in Contemporary Brazil. 3 Credit Hours.
Examines the social, economic, and cultural transformations shaping contemporary Brazilian politics.
Prerequisite: POL 202.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.

POL 510. Political Analysis. 3 Credit Hours.
This course focuses on the use of statistics to conduct quantitative research (i.e., statistics) in political science and public administration. The course emphasizes hands-on data work. Students will learn how to perform political analyses – and present findings in an appropriate manner – using SPSS statistical software.
Components: SEM.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 512. Advanced Political Analysis. 3 Credit Hours.
This course teaches students how to do social science research using the applied techniques of statistics and case study analysis while exposing them to research in the leading sub-fields of political science. Students will produce an original paper that evaluates an academic question using empirical social science evidence.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.
POL 513. Models of Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
Hands-on examination of the process by which quantitative and qualitative models are constructed in political science. The course focuses on the creative aspect of model building and diverse forms of theory construction.
Components: SEM.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 514. Art and Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
Explores the issues of, political legitimacy, international relations, and concepts of justice by examine the interrelatedness of works of art and politics.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Spring.

POL 515. Media Content Analysis. 3 Credit Hours.
There are few facets of our lives which are not directly affected by media content. From cell phones to televisions, the media is with us all the time. But what messages are contained in the mass media? What methods can we employ to study media content scientifically? This course will explore methods of analyzing media sources including movies, newspapers, magazines, and television. Course topics will include political bias, campaign coverage, and news content. Students will design their own projects and implement their own coding strategies.
Components: SEM.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 516. Experiments in Political Science. 3 Credit Hours.
Examines the experimental method in the study of politics.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

POL 517. Introductory Statistical Methods in Political Science. 3 Credit Hours.
The tools needed to manipulate and analyze quantitative data rigorously so you may answer questions of political interest. First in a two-course sequence (followed by POL 518).
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 518. Advanced Statistical Methods in Political Science. 3 Credit Hours.
The maximum likelihood framework for statistical inference in the study of politics. Second in a two-course sequence (preceded by POL 517).
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Spring.

POL 519. Introduction to Game Theory for Political Science. 3 Credit Hours.
The rudiments of non-cooperative game theory. Mainly intended for political science students, but presents applications from other academic disciplines such as economics, business administration, sociology, and psychology.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Spring.

POL 520. Internship. 3 Credit Hours.
Provides advanced political science majors with an opportunity to participate in a structured, supervised internship. 25-35 page research paper required.
Requisite: Plan of Political Science.
Components: THI.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 521. Public Affairs Internship. 3 Credit Hours.
Opportunity for the advanced student specializing in public administration to participate in an administrative capacity in an agency of state or local government. Periodic conferences with adviser and paper required.
Requisite: Plan of Political Science.
Components: THI.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 522. Introduction to Graduate Public Administration. 3 Credit Hours.
Introduction to concepts, issues, problems, and theories and process in the field of public administration and/or public management.
Components: SEM.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

POL 523. Problems in Public and Non-Profit Management. 3 Credit Hours.
Nature of the power vested in administrative bodies and problems involved in management procedures. Special emphasis on local or non-profit administration.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 524. Non-Profit Organizations: Law, Policy, and Management. 3 Credit Hours.
This course teaches students the essential requirements for creation and operation of tax-exempt nonprofit organization in accordance with state and federal law. The course covers a wide range of relevant topics including guidelines for charitable giving and charitable solicitation, pitfalls that can result in personal liability for officers and directors, and statutory constraints on legislative lobbying and political activities.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 525. Comparative Public Policy and Administration. 3 Credit Hours.
Comparison and analysis of the organizational and managerial policy problems of developed and developing nations. The administrative process will be considered within the institutional and cultural framework of each nation. Case studies will be used to focus on transition from traditional to modern techniques of public management.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.
POL 526. Administrative Law. 3 Credit Hours.
Administrative law is the study of the legal relationship of government agencies to legislatures, courts, and private parties. The course examines the legal dimensions of bureaucratic power and procedures as well as constitutional and statutory constraints on regulators and administrators. Topics include rule making, adjudication, investigation and enforcement, political controls on agencies, judicial review of agency decisions, governmental liability and immunity, public records and open meetings laws. Both federal law and Florida law are covered. The course assumes a basic knowledge of the American legal system, constitutional law and bureaucracy.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: SEM.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 527. Comparative Political Institutions. 3 Credit Hours.
The concept of institutionalism by studying three major sets of democratic institutions: electoral systems, legislatures, and political regimes.
Components: LEC.
Typically Offered: Spring.

POL 528. Advanced Seminar on Electoral Behavior. 3 Credit Hours.
This seminar examines the opinions that Americans have and how those opinions are expressed through participation in elections. At the end of the semester we will also examine other forms of political participation (e.g., interest groups).
Components: LEC.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 529. Conducting U.S. Elections. 3 Credit Hours.
Fair and free democratic elections are the heart of US democracy. This course will examine who gets to vote, whether election laws and rules are fair (and fairly implemented), and proposals to reform the way elections are run.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 530. Intelligence and National Security Decision Making. 3 Credit Hours.
This course will study the US national security community structure and decision making process. The course will look at the National Security Council, the principal national security agencies (such as the CIA, Defense Department, and State Department), how they interact, and their roles in dividing and executing policy. We will also examine the role and function of senior policy decision makers such as the President. We will study recent policy challenges such as Iraq and Afghanistan as examples of National Security policy.
Prerequisite: POL 199 or POL 201, and POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 531. Global Environmental Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
Examination of the environment within the context of economic globalization. Contrasts the international trading regime and those regimes designed to protect the environment, with specific attention to the issues of global warming and bio-diversity.
Prerequisite: POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 532. Courts and Controversy. 3 Credit Hours.
Course places the students in the role of advocate, justice, or court observer for the purposes of arguing and deciding current or recent Supreme Court cases.
Components: SEM.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 533. Globalization. 3 Credit Hours.
Consider the institutional and political roles of Courts from a comparative perspective. With a focus on judicial independence and judicial review, will consider the legal systems of a variety of countries and regions including the US, the EU, Germany, France, Great Britain, Chile, Argentina, Russia, The Asian-Pacific Rim, South Africa, Israel, Central America and the Middle East.
Components: LEC.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 534. Global Environmental Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
Examination of the environment within the context of economic globalization. Contrasts the international trading regime and those regimes designed to protect the environment, with specific attention to the issues of global warming and bio-diversity.
Prerequisite: POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 535. Comparative Legal Systems. 3 Credit Hours.
Consider the institutional and political roles of Courts from a comparative perspective. With a focus on judicial independence and judicial review, will consider the legal systems of a variety of countries and regions including the US, the EU, Germany, France, Great Britain, Chile, Argentina, Russia, The Asian-Pacific Rim, South Africa, Israel, Central America and the Middle East.
Components: LEC.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 536. U.S. Health Care Crisis: Politics and Policies. 3 Credit Hours.
This seminar will explore the politics and policies of healthcare in the United States. Our examination of the current crisis in cost and coverage will draw on experience from the debates on comprehensive and incremental reform over the past decade. In addition, we will explore the politics and policies of other health and science issues. Students will be expected to attend every class and be actively involved in class discussions. There will be two examinations, one at mid-term and a final based on readings and course discussions.
Prerequisite: Junior Status, No IP Credit.
Components: LEC.
Typically Offered: Spring.

POL 537. Global Environmental Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
Case-based study of jurisprudence designed to illuminate and explain philosophies of law. Examination of theories of free expression; bio-ethical matters; theories of punishment and legal responsibility; and the placement of religious discourses in liberal systems of law. Special attention to cases involving fundamental rights and liberties; the role of the individual and the state in civil society; and the capacities of individual to be legally competent in contemporary systems of law.
Prerequisite: POL 199 or POL 201 or POL 202 or POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.
POL 543. Urban Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
Examination of sources of political power in urban areas and how they influence the policies pursued in those areas. Analysis of the role of economic power, protest actions, neighborhood groups, and voting to evaluate whether there is a bias in urban politics that systematically favors some groups over other and, if so, how likely it is that the bias can be overcome.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 544. Chinese Foreign Policy. 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: SEM.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 545. Environmental Policy Making. 3 Credit Hours.
Examination of different ethical approaches to the environment; the federal government's management of natural resources; selected environmental policies; international environmental policy issues. Topics include federal management of national grazing lands, national forests, and minerals in the public domain. Analyzes environmental policies such as air, water, toxic wastes, energy, and environmentally-related issues in international trade and national security.
Prerequisite: POL 199 or POL 201, and POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: SEM.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Spring.

POL 547. Congressional Representation. 3 Credit Hours.
This course examines how and when citizens influence legislators' behavior. More specifically, we examine how legislators' floor behavior reflects citizens' preferences and how these preferences influence the manner in which legislators build electoral coalitions.
Prerequisite: POL 199 or POL 201 or POL 202 or POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.

POL 548. Civic Participation and Democracy. 3 Credit Hours.
Citizens participate in the governing process by communicating their preferences and pressuring the government to respond. In this course we examine these various mechanisms of "civic participation", and discuss the meaning and consequences of participatory democracy. The course focuses on the contemporary United States, but we will devote some time to discuss civic participation in other countries as well.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: SEM.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 550. Advanced Seminar on American Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
This seminar provides students with a survey of significant research on major topics in American Politics. We will read influential works of the past, as well as recent cutting-edge research. Particular attention will be paid to discussing the methods and theories used in the research we will read. The purpose of the course is to acquaint students with the literature on American Politics, while also providing an opportunity for students to develop skills in critically assessing and skillfully conducting social science research.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: SEM.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 551. Productivity in the Public and Non-Profit Sectors. 3 Credit Hours.
Definitions and measures of productivity. Evaluation of government programs, and methods of productivity improvement.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Summer.

POL 553. The Environmental Movement: Groups, Beliefs and Values. 3 Credit Hours.
Exploration of the origins and political impact of environmentalism in the United States and, to a lesser extent, in the global context. Impact of democratic participation on environmental politics.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 555. Total Quality Public Service Management: Achieving High Performance Government. 3 Credit Hours.
Examination of the theory and practice of Total Quality Management (TQM) in the government and non-profit sector. Focuses on budgetary, customer service, employee and process improvements that facilitate increased public and non-profit performance. Special emphasis to TQM's contribution to improved service delivery.
Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 556. Politics and Ethics. 3 Credit Hours.
Personal, professional, organizational, and societal levels of ethical analysis. Ethical theories will be reviewed and applied to actual cases that focus on public policy and/or the officials who create and implement it. Profiles of moral exemplars in public life will be examined.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.
POL 557. Ethical and Managerial Issues in Government, Business and Non-Profit Organization. 3 Credit Hours.
Governments at all levels in this country-national (Larry Craig, David Vitter, Mark Foley, Bill Clinton, Randy Cunnigham, Tom DeLay, William Jefferson, James Traffcant, Robert Torricelli, Jack Abramoff), state (former Illinois, Louisiana, New York, Ohio and Arizona governors), and local (Miami, Providence city officials; Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach counties) have encountered scandals involving ethical wrongdoing. Business (Enron, Worldcom) and nonprofit organizations (Boy Scouts, United Way) have faced similar problems. Countless less visible examples of unethical and ethical behavior occur every day. This course examines the causes and consequences of such actions and the managerial interventions needed to effectively cope with the ethical issues confronting individuals and organizations.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 558. From Electronic Government To Digital Governance. 3 Credit Hours.
Graduate and advanced undergraduate seminar explores the transition from electronic government (e-gov) to digital or d-governance, emphasizing political participation, citizen-centric public administration and the proliferation of global information technologies and social media. Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 199.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 563. Senior Thesis. 3 Credit Hours.
Components: THI.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 564. Senior Thesis II. 3 Credit Hours.
Continuation of POL 563: writing and defense of the theses. Requisite: Plan of Political Science.
Components: THI.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Spring.

POL 565. The World Before European Domination. 3 Credit Hours.
Examines the historical roots of the contemporary international system, and questions the standard Eurocentric perspective on the rise of the West to a dominant position in the global system. Prerequisite: POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 569. Lgbti Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
Describes and explains global variance in government policies of interest to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex citizens including sodomy laws, anti-discrimination ordinances, same-sex marriage and adoption, military service, and the right to change one's sex or identify as neither male nor female. POL 344 or WGS 344 Strongly Recommended
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.

POL 570. Uniting States in International Perspective. 3 Credit Hours.
How states form and fragment; The main actors in nation formation; the elements of continuity and change; the impact outsiders can have on the process. Prerequisite: POL 199 or POL 201, and POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 571. Sex, Babies, and the State. 3 Credit Hours.
In one of the most profound revolutions of the past century, gender roles have irreversibly changed and equal rights for women and men has become a stated goal in western societies, even if not the reality. This course examines policies on reproduction, work and the family in advanced industrialized countries including Latin American Countries. Prerequisite: POL 202.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 575. The Politics of Civil-Military Relations. 3 Credit Hours.
Course examines the relationship between states and their soldiers across various historical periods and regional contexts, and how this relationship has been altered in an era where the viability of old structures of state authority are no longer self-evident. Prerequisite: POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

POL 577. Security in South Asia: The Conflicts of Afghanistan, Pakistan and India. 3 Credit Hours.
The security system of South Asia’s northern reaches and the current conflict involving Afghanistan, Pakistan, and India: considerations of sovereignty and the role of frontiers in world politics. Prerequisite: POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

POL 578. ENERGY & SECURITY IN EURASIA. 3 Credit Hours.
Engages the intersection of energy and security within the contested space of Eurasia. Prerequisite: POL 202 or POL 203, and INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.
POL 579. The politics of post-communist transactions. 3 Credit Hours.
Examination of the creation, breakdown, and aftermath of communist governments in Eastern Europe and the USSR. Develops a theoretical framework for understanding cross-national patterns of post-communist development in the context of country-specific experiences.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 580. Ethnicity, Nationalism and Secession. 3 Credit Hours.
Examination of the creation, breakdown, and aftermath of communist governments in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union. Using empirical evidence from four case studies, develops a theoretical framework for understanding cross-national patterns of post-communist development in the context of country-specific experiences.
Prerequisite: POL 202 or POL 203, and INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Spring.

POL 581. Comparative Political Economy of Post-Industrial Democracies. 3 Credit Hours.
This seminar examines four key turning points in the development of capitalism: the industrial revolution, the aftermath of the depression and world wars, the oil crisis of the 1970’s, and today’s “globalization”. We will compare the relationships between government and the economy in Western Europe, Canada, the U.S., Australia, New Zealand, and Japan in each period, and attempt to evaluate why these countries react similarly or differently to identical changes in world economy.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 582. Political Economy of Development. 3 Credit Hours.
Overview of the principal theoretical paradigms of the development process. Comparative analysis of issues such as the role of the state, strategies of industrialization, changes in social structure, basic needs and the trade-offs between growth and equity.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 584. Contemporary Latin American Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
This course assumes a basic knowledge of Latin American politics, and is designed to foster deeper understanding of political processes in the region and to provide an overview of key debates among political scientists specializing in Latin America. We discuss issues related to democratic consolidation, political participation, representation and governance.
Components: SEM.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

POL 585. Post-Communist Russian Foreign Policy. 3 Credit Hours.
Exploration of the various forms of political movements in Latin America, including parties, populists and radical groups. Examines diverse means of organizing and mobilizing support, the range of goals sought, and the conditions that give rise to the various movements. Special attention to the contemporary revival of populism in the region and its implications for democracy. Prerequisite: POL 211 and 212 or graduate standing.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 586. Conflict in the Middle East and Africa. 3 Credit Hours.
Introduction to major paradigms for the explanation of war and conflict in two of the most unstable regions of the world. Reading and class discussions on select cases of current and past conflicts in each region in order to discern patterns of conflict within and across regions, gain a clearer understanding of what drives violent conflict, and assess strategies of resolution.
Prerequisite: POL 202 or POL 203, and INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 588. Politics in China. 3 Credit Hours.
Development and nature of Chinese domestic politics in theory and practice; problems of political stability and conflict; the role of historical and cultural traditions, institutions, social, economic and personality factors in Chinese politics; process of change and problems of leadership succession; the significance of changes in the character and style of Chinese leadership.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Spring.

POL 590. Directed Reading. 1-3 Credit Hours.
Provides an opportunity for students to organize an independent study with a particular tenure-line faculty member. A student may only sign up if s/he has found a professor who has agreed to work with him/her. This course does not count for credit in a 500-level seminar.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 591. International Security. 3 Credit Hours.
Analysis and evaluation of approaches to international conflict, resolution, reduction and stabilization such as international organization, law, collective security, balance of power, functionalism, world government, morality, and conscience. Special emphasis on recent problems and efforts at institutionalizing social control.
Prerequisite: POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: SEM.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.
POL 592. International Political Economy. 3 Credit Hours.
This course introduces students to the study of International Political Economy (IPE). It combines a focus on the main theoretical and methodological approaches used in the study of IPE with the analysis of historical and contemporary issues.
Prerequisite: POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.
Grading: GRD.

POL 593. International Relations of the Middle East. 3 Credit Hours.
Regional and inter-regional analysis of the foreign relations of Middle Eastern nations, domestic and geopolitical factors.
Prerequisite: POL 203 or INS 101, and POL 387.
Components: LEC.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.
Grading: GRD.

POL 594. European Security. 3 Credit Hours.
Examines regional security in Europe, focusing on NATO expansion, EU expansion, Russian foreign policy, and related issues.
Prerequisite: POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.
Grading: GRD.

POL 595. Special Topics in Political Theory And Methods. 1-3 Credit Hours.
A seminar in Political Theory and Methods; designed to give the student a greater degree of insight and knowledge of a particular subject and to develop ability in the techniques of individual research, group discussion and analysis. The senior seminars may be taken in any sequence.
Components: SEM.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.
Grading: GRD.

POL 596. Special Topics in Public Administration, Policy And Law. 1-3 Credit Hours.
A seminar in Public Policy, Administration and Law; designed to give the student a greater degree of insight and knowledge of a particular subject and to develop ability in the techniques of individual research, group discussion and analysis. The senior seminars may be taken in any sequence.
Components: SEM.
Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.
Grading: GRD.

POL 597. Special Topics in International Relations. 1-3 Credit Hours.
A seminar in International Relations; designed to give the student a greater degree of insight and knowledge of a particular subject and to develop ability in the techniques of individual research, group discussion and analysis. The senior seminars may be taken in any sequence.
Components: THI.
Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.
Grading: GRD.

POL 598. Special Topics in Comparative Politics. 1-3 Credit Hours.
A seminar in Comparative Politics; designed to give the student a greater degree of insight and knowledge of a particular subject and to develop ability in the techniques of individual research, group discussion and analysis. The senior seminars may be taken in any sequence.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.

POL 599. Special Topics in American Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
A seminar in Comparative Politics; designed to give the student a greater degree of insight and knowledge of a particular subject and to develop ability in the techniques of individual research, group discussion and analysis. The senior seminars may be taken in any sequence.
Prerequisite: POL 199 or POL 201 or POL 202 or POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.
Grading: GRD.

POL 601. Budget and Financial Management and Administration. 3 Credit Hours.
Role of the budget in shaping public policy; managing public revenues; budgetary theory, politics, and fiscal management. Examples from state, municipal and federal governments.
Components: LEC.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.
Grading: GRD.

POL 602. Congressional Representation. 3 Credit Hours.
Examination of how and when citizens influence legislators’ behavior. How legislators’ floor behavior reflects citizens’ preferences and how these preferences influence the formation of electoral coalitions. Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.
Grading: GRD.

POL 603. Special Topics in Comparative Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
A seminar in comparative politics, designed to give students a greater degree of knowledge of a particular subject, and to develop ability in the techniques of individual research and group discussion. Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.
Grading: GRD.

POL 604. The World Before European Domination. 3 Credit Hours.
Examines the historical roots of the contemporary international system, and questions the standard Eurocentric perspective on the rise of the West to a dominant position in the global system. Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.
Grading: GRD.

POL 605. Sex, Babies, & The State. 3 Credit Hours.
Examines policies on reproduction, work, and the family in a variety of national, with specific emphasis on Latin America. Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.
Grading: GRD.

POL 606. From Plato to Rawls. 3 Credit Hours.
Political thought of the past with more recent insights and concepts, often drawn from the work of theorists who question what is taken for granted in traditional political theory. Prerequisite: POL 201 or POL 202 or POL 203 or INS 101.
Components: LEC.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.
Grading: GRD.
POL 607. Politics, Sociology, and Economy in Contemporary Brazil. 3 Credit Hours.
Examines the social, economic, and cultural transformations shaping contemporary Brazilian politics. Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 610. Political Analysis. 3 Credit Hours.
This course focuses on the use of statistics to conduct quantitative research (i.e., statistics) in political science and public administration. The course emphasizes hands-on data work. Students will learn how to perform political analyses – and present findings in an appropriate manner – using SPSS statistical software.
Components: SEM.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 614. Art and Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
Explores the relationship between narratives, aesthetics, and the political/social world. Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 615. Media Content Analysis. 3 Credit Hours.
There are few facets of our lives which are not directly affected by media content. From cell phones to televisions, the media is with us all the time. But what messages are contained in the mass media? What methods can we employ to study media content scientifically? This course will explore methods of analyzing media sources including movies, newspapers, magazines, and television. Course topics will include political bias, campaign coverage, and news content. Students will design their own projects and implement their own coding strategies.
Components: SEM.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 616. Experiments in Political Science. 3 Credit Hours.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 617. Introductory Statistical Methods In Political Science. 3 Credit Hours.
The tools needed to manipulate and analyze quantitative data rigorously so you may answer questions of political interest. First in a two-course sequence (followed by POL 618). Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 618. Advanced Statistical Methods in Political Science. 3 Credit Hours.
The maximum likelihood framework for statistical inference in the study of politics. Second in a two-course sequence (preceded by POL 617). Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 619. Introduction To Game Theory For Political Science. 3 Credit Hours.
The rudiments of non-cooperative game theory. Mainly intended for political science students, but presents applications from other academic disciplines such as economics, business administration, sociology, and psychology. Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 620. Internship. 3 Credit Hours.
Provides advanced political science majors with an opportunity to participate in a structured, supervised internship. 25-35 page research paper required.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 621. Public Affairs Internship. 3 Credit Hours.
Opportunity for the advanced student specializing in public administration to participate in an administrative capacity in an agency of state or local government. Periodic conferences with adviser and paper required. Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

POL 622. Introduction to Graduate Public Administration. 3 Credit Hours.
Introduction to concepts, issues, problems, theories and process in the field of public administration and/or public management.
Components: SEM.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 624. Non-Profit Organizations: Law, Policy, and Management. 3 Credit Hours.
This course teaches students the essential requirements for creation and operation of tax-exempt nonprofit organization in accordance with state and federal law. The course covers a wide range of relevant topics including guidelines for charitable giving and charitable solicitation, pitfalls that can result in personal liability for officers and directors, and statutory constraints on legislative lobbying and political activities.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 625. Comparative Public Policy and Administration. 3 Credit Hours.
Comparison and analysis of the organizational and managerial policy problems of developed and developing nations. The administrative process will be considered within the institutional and cultural framework of each nation. Case studies will be used to focus on transition from traditional to modern techniques of public management. Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.
POL 626. Administrative Law. 3 Credit Hours.
Administrative law is the study of the legal relationship of government agencies to legislatures, courts, and private parties. The course examines the legal dimensions of bureaucratic power and procedures as well as constitutional and statutory constraints on regulators and administrators. Topics include rule making, adjudication, investigation and enforcement, political controls on agencies, judicial review of agency decisions, governmental liability and immunity, public records and open meetings laws. Both federal law and Florida law are covered. The course assumes a basic knowledge of the American legal system, constitutional law and bureaucracy.
Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 627. Comparative Political Institutions. 3 Credit Hours.
The concept of institutionalism by studying three major sets of democratic institutions: electoral systems, legislatures, and political regimes.
Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 629. Conducting U.S. Elections. 3 Credit Hours.
Fair and free democratic elections are the heart of US democracy. This course will examine who gets to vote, whether election laws and rules are fair (and fairly implemented), and proposals to reform the way elections are run.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 630. Intelligence and National Security. 3 Credit Hours.
This course will study the US national security community structure and decision making process. The course will look at the National Security Council, the principal national security agencies (such as the CIA, Defense Department, and State Department), how they interact, and their roles in dividing and executing policy. We will also examine the role and function of senior policy decision makers such as the President.
We will study recent policy challenges such as Iraq and Afghanistan as examples of National Security policy.
Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 631. Global Environment Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
Examination of the environment within the context of economic globalization. Contrasts the international trading regime and those regimes designed to protect the environment, with specific attention to the issues of global warming and biodiversity.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 635. Comparative Legal Systems. 3 Credit Hours.
Considers the institutional and political roles of Courts from a comparative perspective. With a focus on judicial independence and judicial review, will consider the juridical systems of a variety of countries and regions including the US, the EU, Germany, France, Great Britain, Chile, Argentina, Russia, The Asian-Pacific Rim, South Africa, Israel, Central America and the Middle East.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 636. U.S. Health Care Crisis: Politics and Policies. 3 Credit Hours.
This seminar will explore the politics and policies of healthcare in the United States. Our examination of the current crisis in cost and coverage will draw on experience from the debates on comprehensive and incremental reform over the past decade. In addition, we will explore the politics and policies of other health and science issues. Students will be expected to attend every class and be actively involved in class discussions. There will be two examinations, one at mid-term and a final based on readings and course discussions.
Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 641. Philosophy of Law. 3 Credit Hours.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 643. Urban Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 644. Chinese Foreign Policy. 3 Credit Hours.
Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 645. Environmental Policy Making. 3 Credit Hours.
Examination of different ethical approaches to the environment; the federal government's management of natural resources; selected environmental policies; international environmental policy issues. Topics include federal management of national grazing lands, national forests, and minerals in the public domain. Analyzes environmental policies such as air, water, toxic wastes, energy, and environmentally-related issues in international trade and national security.
Components: SEM.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Spring.
POL 646. Public Policy Analysis and Administration. 3 Credit Hours.
Examination of public policy issue areas including education, health, welfare, urban mass transit. Limits to effectiveness of federal, state and local governments in providing services. Techniques for analyzing the effectiveness of public policies; research techniques for the assessment of future policy alternatives.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Spring.

POL 647. Personnel Administration. 3 Credit Hours.
Modern personnel administration: job analysis and design, evaluation and appraisal, recruitment and interviewing, training and development, wages and benefits, and health and safety. Unionization, regulation of wages, hours and working conditions, financial security for workers, and job anti-discrimination legislation. Manpower planning.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 648. Civic Participation & Democracy. 3 Credit Hours.
Citizens participate in the governing process by communicating their preferences and pressuring the government to respond. In this course we examine these various mechanisms of "civic participation", and discuss the meaning and consequences of participatory democracy. The course focuses on the contemporary United States, but we will devote some time to discuss civic participation in other countries as well.
Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 650. Advanced Seminar On American Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
This seminar provides students with a survey of significant research on major topics in American Politics. We will read influential works of the past, as well as recent cutting-edge research. Particular attention will be paid to discussing the methods and theories used in the research we will read. The purpose of the course is to acquaint students with the literature on American Politics, while also providing an opportunity for students to develop skills in critically assessing and skillfully conducting social science research.
Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 651. Productivity in the Public and Non-Profit Sectors. 3 Credit Hours.
Definitions and measures of productivity. Evaluation of government programs, and methods of productivity improvement.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Summer.

POL 652. Total Quality Public Service Management: Achieving High Performance Government. 3 Credit Hours.
Examination of the theory and practice of Total Quality Management (TQM) in the government and non-profit sector. Focuses on budgetary, customer service, employee and process improvements that facilitate increased public and non-profit performance. Special emphasis to TQM's contribution to improved service delivery.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 653. The Environmental Movement: Groups, Beliefs and Values. 3 Credit Hours.
Exploration of the origins and political impact of environmentalism in the United States and, to a lesser extent, in the global context. Impact of democratic participation on environmental politics.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 654. Politics and Ethics. 3 Credit Hours.
Personal, professional, organizational, and societal levels of ethical analysis. Ethical theories will be reviewed and applied to actual cases that focus on public policy and/or the officials who create and implement it. Profiles of moral exemplars in public life will be examined.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 655. Public Policy and Health. 3 Credit Hours.
Development of public policy at the federal, state and local level. Policy process, models of policy analysis, policy development in several government service areas, and plans for policy change. Special emphasis on health policy formulation, implementation and the use of epidemiological tools in health policy analysis.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Summer.

POL 656. Public Service Internship. 3-6 Credit Hours.
Individual on-the-job work experience; arranged and monitored by a faculty member.
Components: THI.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.
POL 657. Ethical and Managerial Issues in Government, Business and Non-Profit Organization. 3 Credit Hours.

Governments at all levels in this country-national (Larry Craig, David Vitter, Mark Foley, Bill Clinton, Randy Cunnigham, Tom DeLay, William Jefferson, James Trafficant, Robert Torricelli, Jack Abramoff), state (former Illinois, Louisiana, New York, Ohio and Arizona governors), and local (Miami, Providence city officials; Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach counties) have encountered scandals involving ethical wrongdoing. Businesses (Enron, Worldcom) and nonprofit organizations (Boy Scouts, United Way) have faced similar problems. Countless less visible examples of unethical and ethical behavior occur in organizations daily. This course examines the causes and consequences of such actions and the managerial strategies and competencies needed to effectively cope with the ethical issues confronting individuals and organizations.

Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 658. From Electronic Government To Digital Governance. 3 Credit Hours.

Graduate and advanced undergraduate seminar explores the transition from electronic government (e-gov) to digital or d-governance, emphasizing political participation, citizen-centric public administration and the proliferation of global information technologies and social media.

Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall.

POL 669. LBGTI Politics. 3 Credit Hours.

Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 670. Uniting States In International Perspective. 3 Credit Hours.

How states form and fragment; the main actors in nation formation; the elements of continuity and change; the impact outsiders can have on the process.

Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 671. Political Environment of Business. 3 Credit Hours.

Examines government-business-society relations with emphasis on the social, economic, political, technological, ethical, and ecological environment.

Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 672. Program Planning, Research and Evaluation in Criminal Justice and Corrections, I. 3 Credit Hours.

Identification of long-term goals and intermediate objectives in the criminal justice process. Formulation of operations, evaluation techniques and the relationships among research, evaluation and management decisions.

Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 673. Program Planning, Research and Evaluation in Criminal Justice and Corrections, II. 3 Credit Hours.

Continuation of POL 672. Topics include types of evaluation and the design of evaluative studies. POL 672 and POL 673 are designed to facilitate the formulation and execution of a thesis.

Prerequisite: POL 672.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 675. The Politics of Civil-Military Relations. 3 Credit Hours.

Course examines the relationship between states and their soldiers across various historical periods and regional contexts, and how this relationship has been altered in an era where the viability of old structures of state authority are no longer self-evident.

Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 676. On Violence The Politics Of Extremes. 3 Credit Hours.

Literary and theoretical treatments are considered for what they can tell us about the causes, characteristics and consequences of violence. These insights are enlisted to help us understand violence enacted by states against their societies, societies against states, and within society itself.

Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 677. Security In South Asia. 3 Credit Hours.

The security system of South Asia’s northern reaches and the current conflict involving Afghanistan, Pakistan, and India: considerations of sovereignty and the role of frontiers in world politics.

Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 678. Energy & Security In Eurasia. 3 Credit Hours.

Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 680. Ethnicity, Nationalism, & Secession. 3 Credit Hours.

Examination of the creation, breakdown, and aftermath of communist governments in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union. Using empirical evidence from four case studies, develops a theoretical framework for understanding cross-national patterns of post-communist development in the context of country specific experiences.

Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.
POL 681. Comparative Political Economy of Post-Industrial Democracies. 3 Credit Hours.
This seminar examines four key turning points in the development of capitalism: the industrial revolution, the aftermath of the depression and world wars, the oil crisis of the 1970's, and today's "globalization". We will compare the relationships between government and the economy in Western Europe, Canada, the U.S., Australia, New Zealand, and Japan in each period, and attempt to evaluate why these countries react similarly or differently to identical changes in world economy. Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 682. Political Economy of Development. 3 Credit Hours.
Overview of the principal theoretical paradigms of the development process Comparative analysis of issues such as the role of the state, strategies of industrialization, changes in social structure, basic needs and the trade-offs between growth and equity. Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 683. Seminar: Topics in the Comparative Study of the Foreign Policy of China. 3 Credit Hours.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 684. Contemporary Latin American Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
This course assumes a basic knowledge of Latin American politics, and is designed to foster deeper understanding of political processes in the region and to provide an overview of key debates among political scientists specializing in Latin America. We discuss issues related to democratic consolidation, political participation, representation and governance. Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 685. Seminar in the Dynamics of Soviet Society. 3 Credit Hours.
Forces and factors that shape and continue to influence the development of social, political and economic institutions in the Former Soviet Union and their evolving role in decision making. Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 686. Conflict in the Middle East & Africa. 3 Credit Hours.
Introduction to major paradigms for the explanation of war and conflict in two of the most unstable regions of the world. Reading and class discussions on select cases of current and past conflicts in each region in order to discern patterns of conflict within and across regions, gain a clearer understanding of what drives violent conflict, and assess strategies of resolution. Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 688. Politics in China. 3 Credit Hours.
Development and nature of Chinese domestic politics in theory and practice; problems of political stability and conflict; the role of historical and cultural traditions, institutions, social, economic and personality factors in Chinese politics; process of change and problems of leadership succession; the significance of changes in the character and style of Chinese leadership. Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 690. Directed Readings. 3 Credit Hours.
Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 691. International Security. 3 Credit Hours.
Analysis and evaluation of approaches to international conflict, resolution, reduction and stabilization such as international organization, law, collective security, balance of power, functionalism, world government, morality, and conscience. Special emphasis on recent problems and efforts at institutionalizing social control. Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 692. International Political Economy. 3 Credit Hours.
Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 693. International Relations of the Middle East. 3 Credit Hours.
Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 694. European Security. 3 Credit Hours.
Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 695. Special Topics in Political Theory and Methods. 1-3 Credit Hours.
A seminar in Political Theory and Methods; designed to give the student a greater degree of insight and knowledge of a particular subject and to develop ability in the techniques of individual research, group discussion and analysis. The senior seminars may be taken in any sequence.
Components: SEM.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.
POL 696. Special Topics In Public Administration, Policy And Law. 1-3 Credit Hours.
A seminar in Public Policy, Administration and Law; designed to give the student a greater degree of insight and knowledge of a particular subject and to develop ability in the techniques of individual research, group discussion and analysis.
Components: SEM.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall & Spring.

POL 697. Special Topics In International Relations. 3 Credit Hours.
Requisite: Graduate Status.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 698. Special Topics. 3 Credit Hours.
A seminar in Comparative Politics; designed to give the student a greater degree of insight and knowledge of a particular subject and to develop ability in the techniques of individual research, group discussion and analysis. The senior seminars may be taken in any sequence.
Components: LEC.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 699. Directed Readings. 1-3 Credit Hours.
Components: THI.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, & Summer.

POL 810. Master's Thesis. 3-6 Credit Hours.
Designed for student working on masters' theses. Not to exceed six credit hours, as determined by student's advisor. Credit is not awarded until the thesis has been accepted.
Components: THI.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.

POL 820. Research in Residence. 0 Credit Hours.
Research in residence for thesis or master's degree after the student has enrolled for the permissible cumulative total in POL 710 (usually six credits). Credit not granted; regarded as full time residence.
Components: THI.
Grading: GRD.
Typically Offered: Offered by Announcement Only.