

POLITICAL SCIENCE MINOR

Department: Political Science and Law (<https://catalog.bradley.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts-sciences/political-science/>)

The minor is to provide students with a flexible, coherent, and guided study of political science as it relates to their specific academic major or personal interests. The minor requires a minimum of 15 hours in political science of which 9 hours must be taken in junior-senior level courses. A maximum of 3 hours of junior-senior level courses may be used to satisfy the requirements of another major or minor.

All minors must take PLS 105 Introduction to American Government. Minors must also take one of the following courses: PLS 205 Governments Around the Globe; PLS 207 Introduction to Political Thought; or PLS 208 Fundamentals of International Relations. Minors must also take 9 hours of junior-senior level courses. The department's policy is that coursework used to complete the minor must be drawn from its regularly scheduled, subfield-specific course offerings; use of internship, reading, or research courses (PLS 380 Washington Center Seminar, PLS 480 Internship in Political Science, PLS 483 Reading in Political Science, PLS 485 Research) to complete the minor requires prior approval by both the student's Political Science Department faculty advisor and department chairperson.

Suggested Programs of Study

Code	Title	Hours
Pre-Law		
PLS 105	Introduction to American Government	3.0
PLS 300	Topics in Political Thought	3.0
PLS 360	Judicial Politics	3.0
PLS 419	Introduction to Public Administration	3.0
PLS 459	Constitutional Law: Institutional Powers and Constraints	3.0
PLS 460	Constitutional Law: Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	3.0
PLS 494	Seminar in American Politics	3.0
Public Administration		
PLS 105	Introduction to American Government	3.0
PLS 419	Introduction to Public Administration	3.0
PLS 420		
PLS 422		
PLS 494	Seminar in American Politics	3.0
Communications and Politics		
PLS 105	Introduction to American Government	3.0
PLS 301	Topics in American Politics	3.0
PLS 310	Political Behavior	3.0
PLS 314	The U.S. Congress	3.0
PLS 315	The U.S. Presidency	3.0
PLS 419	Introduction to Public Administration	3.0
PLS 494	Seminar in American Politics	3.0
Applied Politics		
PLS 105	Introduction to American Government	3.0
PLS 301	Topics in American Politics	3.0
PLS 310	Political Behavior	3.0
PLS 311	Political Parties	3.0
PLS 314	The U.S. Congress	3.0

PLS 315	The U.S. Presidency	3.0
PLS 494	Seminar in American Politics	3.0

Behavioral Politics

PLS 105	Introduction to American Government	3.0
PLS 301	Topics in American Politics	3.0
PLS 310	Political Behavior	3.0
PLS 311	Political Parties	3.0
PLS 360	Judicial Politics	3.0
PLS 422		
PLS 494	Seminar in American Politics	3.0

International and Comparative Politics

PLS 105	Introduction to American Government	3.0
PLS 205	Governments Around the Globe	3.0
or PLS 208	Fundamentals of International Relations	
PLS 302	Topics in International Relations	3.0
PLS 303	Sub-Saharan African Politics	3.0
PLS 304	Politics of Europe	3.0
PLS 305	Topics in Comparative Government	3.0
PLS 306	Intelligence in International Affairs	3.0
PLS 317	International Law	3.0
PLS 318	International Organization	3.0
PLS 319	International Political Economy	3.0
PLS 342	American Foreign Policy	3.0
PLS 410	Globalization in World Affairs	3.0
PLS 491	Seminar in Comparative Politics	3.0
or PLS 492	Seminar in International Relations	

Urban Politics

PLS 105	Introduction to American Government	3.0
PLS 419	Introduction to Public Administration	3.0
PLS 420		
PLS 422		
PLS 494	Seminar in American Politics	3.0

Political Philosophy

PLS 105	Introduction to American Government	3.0
PLS 207	Introduction to Political Thought	3.0
PLS 300	Topics in Political Thought	3.0
PLS 307	Classical Political Philosophy	3.0
PLS 308	Modern Political Philosophy	3.0
PLS 407	American Political Thought	3.0
PLS 493	Seminar in Political Theory	3.0