

The Law and Public Policy concentration offers students a framework for understanding the legal underpinnings of public policy and the opportunity to study and critically analyze state, federal, and international legal issues and the institutions in which legal decisions are made. The concentration offers a strong undergraduate preparation for entry into advanced degree programs in law and public policy, as well as professional careers in public policy, public service, private institutions, and political organizations. Pre-law advising is regularly available for political science majors in any concentration who plan to apply to law school.

Foundational Courses (16 Credits)

POLS 110	Introduction to American Politics	4 Credits
POLS 181	Introduction to Comparative Politics	4 Credits
POLS 120	Research Methodology	4 Credits
POLS 201	Data Analysis and Politics	4 Credits

Concentration Courses (16 Credits)

POLS 224	Public Policy Processes & Procedures <i>(Fall Course)</i>	4 Credits
POLS 225	U.S. Constitutional Law & Civil Liberties <i>(Fall & Spring course)</i>	4 Credits
POLS 245	Courts, Public Policy, & Legal Research <i>(Fall course)</i>	4 Credits
POLS 345	Public Policy Writing <i>(Spring course)</i>	4 Credits

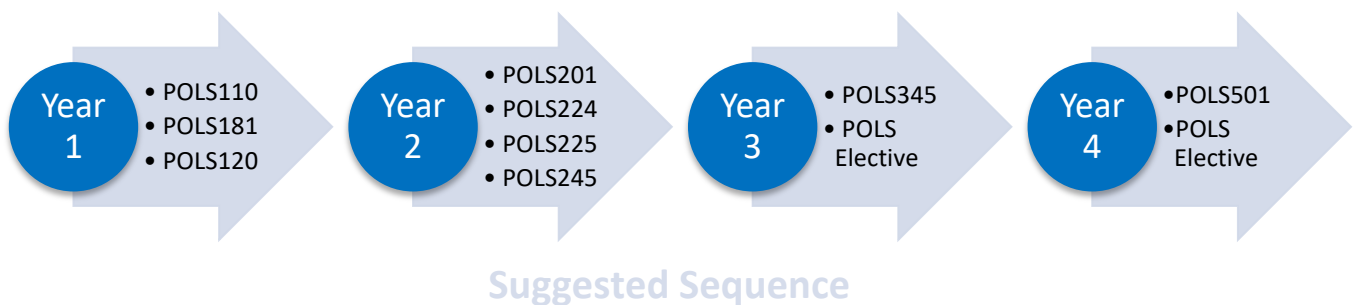
Elective Courses (8 Credits)

POLS ____	4 Credits
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Capstone Course (1 Credit)

POLS 501	Senior Seminar	1 Credit
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TOTAL: 41 Credits



Suggested Elective Courses*

POLS 204 Women in American Politics
POLS 208 Politics and Religion
POLS H247 Courts, Pub Policy, & Legal Research

POLS 247 Intellectual Property-Authors, Inventors, & Brands
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POLS 253 State and Local Government
POLS 275 Ancient & Medieval Political Theory
POLS 276 Modern Political Theory
POLS 306 Women & Public Policy
POLS 334 Politics Law of Food, Tobacco, & Public Health
POLS 345 Public Policy Writing
POLS 346 The American Presidency
POLS 347 Legislative Politics
POLS H348 Honors Supreme Court Seminar
POLS 438 Environmental Policy & Politics
POLS 441 Ready, Set, Run!
POLS 442 Candidate Definition
POLS 443 Candidate Media Strategy 101
POLS 471 Topics in Democracy
POLS 473 American Political Thought
POLS 475 Radical & Revolutionary Political Thought
POLS 501 Senior Seminar

Experiential Learning Courses

POLS 005 Summer Campaign Lab
POLS 010 Summer Campaign Lab
POLS 224 Public Policy Processes & Procedures
POLS 323 Political Survey Research
POLS 340 Moot Court
POLS 361 Voting Rights and Election Law
POLS 503 Washington Academic Seminar I
POLS 505 Washington Seminar Nat'l Security
POLS 506 Political Convention Program
POLS 521 Internship in Government
POLS 534 Experiential Learning in GVT

Internship Courses

POLS 523 Washington Internship
POLS H523 Honors Washington Internship
POLS 524 Washington Internship Summer
POLS 525 Washington Internship Seminar

*These are suggested classes. **Any** POLS class counts as an elective.