

# POLITICAL SCIENCE (POLS)

## POLS 1010 Studies in American Government

**Description:** Special study in American government to allow transfer students to fulfill general education requirements as established by Regents' policy. Offered for variable credit, 1-2 credit hours, maximum of 2 credit hours.

**Credit hours:** 1-2

**Contact hours:** Other: 1

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Independent Study

**Department/School:** Political Science

## POLS 1113 American Government

**Description:** Organization, processes and functions of the national government of the United States. Satisfies, with HIST 1103 or 1483 or 1493, the State Regents requirement of six credit hours of American history and American government before graduation. Previously offered as POLS 1013.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

## POLS 2000 Topics in American Politics (S)

**Description:** Introductory examination of timely topics and issues in American Politics. May be repeated with different topics.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**General Education and other Course Attributes:** Social & Behavioral Sciences

## POLS 2010 Topics in International Relations (I)

**Description:** Introductory examination of timely topics and issues in International Relations. May be repeated with different topics.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**General Education and other Course Attributes:** International Dimension

## POLS 2013 Introduction to International Relations (S)

**Description:** Analysis and explanation of the political, economic, and social relationships that exist between countries. Broad topics include major actors in international relations, the role of power on the global stage, interstate and civil conflict, cooperation, and economic security. The assumptions of major international relations theories, such as realism and liberalism, are explained. Previously offered as POLS 3013.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**General Education and other Course Attributes:** Social & Behavioral Sciences

## POLS 2020 Topics in Public Law (S)

**Description:** Introductory examination of timely topics and issues in Public Law. Maybe repeated with different topics.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**General Education and other Course Attributes:** Social & Behavioral Sciences

## POLS 2023 The Individual And The Law

**Description:** Introduction to the U.S. Constitution, legal reasoning, legal research techniques, and topical issues of U.S. public law.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

## POLS 2030 Topics in Public Policy & Administration

**Description:** Introductory examination of timely topics and issues in Public Policy and Administration. May be repeated with different topics.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

## POLS 2033 Introduction to Public Administration

**Description:** Public administration, including administration, administrative organization, decision-making, governmental public relations and administrative responsibilities.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

## POLS 2110 Topics in Comparative Politics (I)

**Description:** Introductory examination of timely topics and issues in Comparative Politics. May be repeated with different topics.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**General Education and other Course Attributes:** International Dimension

## POLS 2113 Introduction to Comparative Politics (IS)

**Description:** A study of the domestic politics, society, and economies in countries around the world.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**General Education and other Course Attributes:** International Dimension, Social & Behavioral Sciences

**POLS 2213 Fundamentals of Political Science**

**Description:** This course provides an overview of Political Science as a field of study, and it provides students with basic research literacy and other skills essential to success as a Political Science major.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 2313 Social Justice Politics (D)**

**Description:** This course examines race, ethnicity, class, gender, sexuality, religion, age, ability, and in a number of realms, particularly the political. Specific social justice issues discussed include immigration reform, religious accommodations in the workplace, the gender gap in wages and political office holding, income and wealth inequality, racial and ethnic discrimination, same-sex marriage, ageism and disability access.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**General Education and other Course Attributes:** Diversity

**POLS 2890 Honors Experience in Political Science**

**Prerequisites:** Honors Program participation and concurrent enrollment in a designated Political Science course.

**Description:** A supplemental Honors experience in Political Science to partner concurrently with designated Political Science course(s). This course adds a different intellectual dimension to the designated course(s).

**Credit hours:** 1

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 1

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**General Education and other Course Attributes:** Honors Credit

**POLS 2993 Honors Tutorial in Political Science**

**Prerequisites:** POLS 1113. Honors standing, and invitation by head of department.

**Description:** For the special needs of the sophomore-level honors student majoring in political science who wishes to study individualized topics at an accelerated pace in a tutorial format. After mastering basic principles in an area of interest the student will conduct independent research under close faculty supervision and prepare a report or reports.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Other: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Independent Study

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3003 The Soviet Union: History, Society and Culture(IS)**

**Description:** A comprehensive view of the Soviet Union, stressing those issues in the political, economic, technological, geographical and cultural spheres which are most relevant to the current situation. Accessible to beginning undergraduates. Same course as HIST 3003 & RUSS 3003.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**General Education and other Course Attributes:** International Dimension, Social & Behavioral Sciences

**POLS 3033 International Law**

**Description:** International laws between countries arise from customary law, treaties, and other international agreements. This course examines international law surrounding international diplomacy, conflict, organizations, and the international political reasons for the creation, compliance, and violation of such laws.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate, Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3053 Introduction to Central Asia Studies (IS)**

**Description:** A comprehensive view of newly-emerged Central Asian states examining the history, politics, economics, geography, and culture of Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan as reflected in their thoughts, religion, literature, and architecture, in the past, and the strategic importance of their natural wealth for the present and future. Same course as GEOG 3053, HIST 3053 & RUSS 3053.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3090 Teaching Practicum**

**Prerequisites:** Consent of instructor.

**Description:** For outstanding students. Students will work with a faculty instructor and assist in many aspects of teaching including guest lecturing, offering study sessions, office hours, among other duties as determined by instructor. May involve meetings and written paper(s).

**Credit hours:** 1-6

**Contact hours:** Other: 1

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Independent Study

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3100 Political Science Internship**

**Prerequisites:** Consent of department.

**Description:** Internship education experience in a specific subfield in the discipline of political science. Offered for variable credit, 1-6 credit hours, maximum of 6 credit hours.

**Credit hours:** 1-6

**Contact hours:** Other: 1

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Independent Study

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3101 Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature**

**Description:** OSU Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature provides students with hands on experience in the legislative process. It is a mock legislature with the intended goal of passing bills and learning parliamentary procedure. Students learn how to research and draft legislation, build coalitions, and debate the merits of their bills. Participation in O.I.L. gives students a behind the scenes look at how state government conducts business. The result is academic learning in a real world setting. This course is a pass/fail grade.

**Credit hours:** 1

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 1

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3103 Introduction to Political Inquiry**

**Prerequisites:** 60 credit hours or 45 hours with GPA of 3.25, including POLS 2113.

**Description:** The scope and methods of political science. Scientific methodology applied to political phenomena, hypothesis, measurement, literature review, research designs, introductory data analysis and writing in political science. Previously offered as POLS 4003.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3123 Russian & Eurasian Politics (I)**

**Description:** An overview of the major political, social, and economic challenges facing Russia and its neighbors.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**General Education and other Course Attributes:** International Dimension

**POLS 3143 European Politics (I)**

**Description:** An overview of the major political, social, and economic challenges facing European countries.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**General Education and other Course Attributes:** International Dimension

**POLS 3163 African Politics (I)**

**Description:** An overview of the major political, social, and economic challenges facing African countries.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**General Education and other Course Attributes:** International Dimension

**POLS 3193 Latin American Politics (IS)**

**Description:** An overview of the major political, social, and economic challenges facing Latin American countries.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**General Education and other Course Attributes:** International Dimension, Social & Behavioral Sciences

**POLS 3223 Asian Politics**

**Description:** An overview of the major political, social, and economic challenges facing Asian countries.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3313 Middle Eastern Politics**

**Description:** An overview of the major political, social, and economic challenges facing Middle Eastern countries.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3353 Political Parties**

**Description:** An examination of political parties, including the role of parties in elections and government, how parties have changed through time, why there are only two major parties in the United States, and what factors influence how parties behave.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3423 Voting and Elections**

**Description:** Electoral systems and their relationship to political development, political socialization, issue emergence, voting patterns and electoral cycles.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3443 Pol Campaigns And Candidacy**

**Description:** Planning, fundraising, targeting, public opinion, support operations, voter contact, the mass media and candidate activities. Previously offered as POLS 3414.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3453 The Legislative Process**

**Description:** The power and organization of legislatures, as well as the selection and behavior of legislators. Special attention given to the U.S. Congress.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3483 The American Presidency**

**Description:** The politics of presidential selection, removal and succession; formal and informal powers of the president; relations with Congress, the national judiciary and national executive branch; proposed reforms and the vice-presidency.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3493 Public Policy**

**Prerequisites:** Any one of POLS 1013, POLS 2033, POLS 2113, ECON 1113, ECON 2123, SOC 1113, PHIL 2113.

**Description:** Identification of policy options open to policy makers and examination of measurements and rationales underlying governmental programs.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate, Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3513 Public Opinion and Polling**

**Description:** The nature of public opinion. Public opinion polling, the factors influencing opinion formation, and the effects of public opinion on policy and policy makers.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3523 Money, Media And Politics**

**Prerequisites:** POLS 1113.

**Description:** Techniques used by successful candidates for elective office to present their positions to the voting public. Beginning with the basic elements of fundraising exploration of current campaign finance laws, funding techniques and campaign budgeting. Message development, media production and ad placement. Preparation of a fundraising strategy.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3533 Lobbying: the Art of Influence and Manipulation**

**Prerequisites:** POLS 1113.

**Description:** An exploration of how political scientists understand organized interests and their lobbying and grassroots activities. Traverses topics such as the origin of interests, collective action problems, lobbying techniques, and grassroots activism. Explores political action in multiple venues. Discusses the influence of groups in government.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3613 State and Local Government**

**Description:** Political processes, government and administration of American states, cities and counties; special emphasis on Oklahoma.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate, Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3663 Introduction to Political Thought**

**Description:** The teachings of the three lasting traditions of Western political thought: classical, Christian and modern.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3683 Politics in Contemporary Film**

**Prerequisites:** POLS 1113.

**Description:** The effect of politics on contemporary film. Exploration of the often subtle political imagery and symbolism contained in film.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3733 Emergency Management: Preparedness and Response**

**Description:** Introduction to preparedness and response activities for emergency personnel and managers. Covers components, policies, programs, and organizations related to preparedness and response. Illustrates course concepts with case studies.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3763 Emergency Management: Recovery and Mitigation**

**Description:** Introduction to recovery and mitigation activities for emergency personnel and managers. Covers components, policies, programs and organizations related to recovery and mitigation. Illustrates course concepts with case studies.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3813 Introduction to Emergency Management**

**Description:** An overview of the history and philosophy of the current emergency management system. Concepts, issues and programs associated with the development of an emergency management program. Local, state and federal roles and responsibilities for responding to disasters and emergencies with emphasis on man-made natural and technological hazards.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3893 Terrorism & Counterterrorism**

**Description:** This course examines the definition, causes, and consequences of terrorist activity. Special emphasis will also be given to key domestic and international counterterrorism responses.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 3953 Minorities in the American Political System (DS)****Prerequisites:** POLS 1113.**Description:** Examination of mass and elite level behavior of minorities in the contemporary U.S. political system.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Undergraduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**General Education and other Course Attributes:** Diversity, Social & Behavioral Sciences**POLS 3963 State Courts and the Bar****Description:** This course will cover the various constraints that exist within the decision-making outcomes of state courts, as well as the institutional biases found within state run criminal justice systems. It looks at the increasingly partisan nature of state court election cycles and the contemporary status of the legal academy, the Bar, and the economics of law firms. It will be particularly useful to those students thinking about continuing their education with the pursuit of a law degree.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Undergraduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 3973 Race, Politics and Sports (D)****Prerequisites:** POLS 1113.**Description:** Historical, as well as the contemporary relationship, between race, politics and sports in the U.S. political system.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Undergraduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**General Education and other Course Attributes:** Diversity**POLS 3983 Courts and Judicial Process (S)****Description:** The American judiciary and legal process from a political perspective with particular emphasis on judicial organization and powers, recruitment, fact-finding, decision-making, impact of decisions, the legal profession and relations among courts. Oklahoma judicial organization.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Undergraduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**General Education and other Course Attributes:** Social & Behavioral Sciences**POLS 3993 Legal Research And Analysis****Prerequisites:** POLS 2023 or HONR 2013.**Description:** Introduction to legal research methods, including state and federal reported cases, digests, annotated codes, state and federal administrative regulations, and computerized legal research, as well as an introduction to legal reasoning and analysis and the preparation of case briefs and memoranda.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Undergraduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 4000 Advanced Topics in American Politics****Prerequisites:** POLS 1113 and 45 earned hours or consent of instructor.**Description:** In-depth examination of critical topics and issues in American politics, including American political behavior and political leadership. May be repeated with different topics. Offered for variable credit, 3 credit hours, maximum of 9 credit hours.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Graduate, Undergraduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 4010 Advanced Topics in International Relations****Prerequisites:** POLS 2013 or POLS 2113 or consent of instructor.**Description:** In-depth examination of critical topics and issues in International Relations. May be repeated with different topics. Offered for fixed credit, 3 credit hours, maximum of 6 credit hours.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Graduate, Undergraduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 4013 American Foreign Policy****Description:** An introduction to the history of America's foreign policy (with an emphasis on foreign relations since WWII), the dominant themes and goals of American foreign policy throughout time, contemporary issues that face the United States, and how foreign policy is made and enforced.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Graduate, Undergraduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 4020 Advanced Topics in Comparative Politics****Prerequisites:** POLS 2013 or POLS 2113 or consent of instructor.**Description:** In-depth examination of critical topics and issues in Comparative Politics. May be repeated with different topics. Offered for fixed credit, 3 credit hours, maximum of 6 credit hours.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Graduate, Undergraduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 4043 Global Political Economy****Description:** An introduction to the major players, challenges, and theories shaping the modern global economy. Topics include economic development, globalization, trade, and foreign investment. May not be used for degree credit with INTL 5043. Previously offered as POLS 3043.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Undergraduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 4053 War And World Politics (I)**

**Description:** Students are introduced to the scientific study of war. Topics include why countries engage in conflict, the conduct of war, the ways in which wars end, and how peace is maintained between former rivals.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**General Education and other Course Attributes:** International Dimension

**POLS 4100 Problems of Government, Politics and Public Policy**

**Prerequisites:** 60 credit hours, or 45 hours with GPA of 3.25, including POLS 1013.

**Description:** Special problem areas of government, politics and public policy concentrating on topics not covered in other departmental course offerings.

**Credit hours:** 1-6

**Contact hours:** Other: 1

**Levels:** Graduate, Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Independent Study

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 4113 International Organization**

**Description:** The last one hundred years have seen the rise of international organizations. This class explores the reasons for this proliferation, as well as the impact of organizations such as the United Nations, North Atlantic Treaty Organization, etc. for the conduct of international relations.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate, Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 4223 Social Movements**

**Prerequisites:** POLS 1113.

**Description:** A study of the origins, activities, and impact of political and social movements. Students examine these theories and concepts by learning about several contemporary movements from other countries and the United States.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 4353 Administrative Law**

**Description:** Legal powers, limits, and procedures of administrative agencies with emphasis on federal and state administrative procedure acts.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate, Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 4363 Environmental Law And Policy**

**Description:** Statutory law, case law, and administrative practices relating to regulation of the environment including environmental impact statements, pollution, public lands, and preservation law.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate, Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 4403 Urban Politics and Management**

**Description:** Problems of governing and managing American metropolitan areas.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate, Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 4413 Government Budgeting**

**Description:** The politics, planning and administration of government budgets. Same course as 5320.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate, Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 4453 Public Personnel Administration**

**Description:** Problems, processes, and procedures of public personnel administration. Same course as 5333.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate, Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 4553 American Political Thought**

**Description:** A survey of the major developments in American political thought from the Colonial period to the present, followed by a topical analysis of important recent theoretical developments in political science.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 4573 Democratic Theory**

**Description:** Investigates the origins, development, and continuing challenges of theories of democratic government, with particular emphasis on the American political tradition. Topics include citizenship, accountability, voting and elections, federalism, and institutional design.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 4593 Natural Resources and Environmental Policy**

**Description:** Current issues in the law, politics and administration of energy, land, water, mineral and other natural resources policy with particular emphasis on relations to environmental policies and law.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate, Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 4623 Oklahoma Politics (S)**

**Prerequisites:** POLS 1113.

**Description:** Introduction to Oklahoma Politics. Topics include the evolution of Oklahoma political institutions; the struggle to shape the Oklahoma political culture with special attention to the role of race and woman suffrage; political issues; the structure of Oklahoma political institutions at the state and local levels; and elections.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**General Education and other Course Attributes:** Social & Behavioral Sciences

**POLS 4653 Contemporary Political Thought**

**Description:** An analysis of 19th and 20th century political ideas, with emphasis on the rise and fall of ideologies along side controversies over relativism, positivism, pragmatism, and resurgent religious faiths.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 4670 Advanced Topics in Political Theory**

**Description:** In-depth examination of critical topics and issues in classic, modern, or American political theory. May be repeated with different topics. Offered for fixed credit, 3 credit hours, maximum of 6 credit hours.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate, Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 4693 Gender and Politics**

**Description:** Changing role of women in government and politics. Voting behavior, public opinion, women in government, and the women's movement.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 4903 Senior Capstone Seminar**

**Prerequisites:** Political Science major with 85 hours and POLS 3103.

**Description:** This class, open only to Political Science majors in their final year of study, is intended to be the culmination of a student's undergraduate study of Political Science. Class sessions during the first half of the semester involve a review of the discipline, in which students educate their peers about some of the essential things they have learned in their coursework. During the second half of the semester, students engage in a practicum connected to the area of work/study they intend to pursue, and they complete a significant research project.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 4963 U.S. Constitution: Civil Rights and Civil Liberties**

**Prerequisites:** POLS 2023 or POLS 3983 recommended.

**Description:** Development of principles of constitutional law by the Supreme Court concerning individual and group rights, with particular emphasis on equal protection of the laws concepts in matters of race, gender, wealth, citizenship, legislative reapportionment and voting rights, government employment and affirmative action programs. Legal research techniques.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 4973 U.S. Constitution: Civil Liberties**

**Prerequisites:** POLS 2023 or POLS 3983 recommended.

**Description:** Development of principles of constitutional law by the Supreme Court concerning freedom of speech expression, religious liberty, property rights, 5th and 14th amendments due process concepts and procedure requirements at national and state level.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate, Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 4980 Advanced Topics in Public Law**

**Prerequisites:** POLS 2023 and (POLS 3983 or POLS 3993) or consent of instructor.

**Description:** In-depth examination of critical topics and issues in Public Law. May be repeated with different topics. Offered for fixed credit, 3 credit hours, maximum of 6 credit hours.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate, Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 4990 Independent Study**

**Description:** Application of major relevant theoretical perspectives to selected case studies of political problems and issue areas. Theories and attendant case studies selected by visiting faculty members. Offered for variable credit, 1-3 credit hours, maximum of 6 credit hours.

**Credit hours:** 1-3

**Contact hours:** Other: 1

**Levels:** Graduate, Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Independent Study

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 4993 Political Science Honors Thesis**

**Prerequisites:** Departmental invitation, senior standing, Honors Program participation.

**Description:** A guided reading and research program ending with an honors thesis under the direction of a faculty member, with second faculty reader and oral examination. Required for graduation with departmental honors in political science.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Other: 3

**Levels:** Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Independent Study

**Department/School:** Political Science

**General Education and other Course Attributes:** Honors Credit

**POLS 5000 Thesis**

**Description:** Thesis. Offered for variable credit, 1-6 credit hours, maximum of 6 credit hours.

**Credit hours:** 1-6

**Contact hours:** Other: 1

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Independent Study

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5013 Quantitative Methods**

**Prerequisites:** POLS 5103.

**Description:** Required of all graduate students. Fundamental methodological issues in the scientific study of politics. Logic of science, principles of research design and computer data manipulation and analysis.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5020 Creative Component**

**Description:** Individually supervised research. Offered for fixed credit, 3 credit hours, maximum of 6 credit hours.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Other: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Independent Study

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5023 Foundation of Political Science**

**Description:** Overview of the foundational works, theories and approaches that define the discipline of political science and serve as bridges across its subfields.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5030 Internship in Public Administration and Government**

**Description:** Individually supervised internships in administrative and governmental career areas. Paper required. Offered for variable credit, 1-6 credit hours, maximum of 6 credit hours.

**Credit hours:** 1-6

**Contact hours:** Other: 1

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Independent Study

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5033 Current Issues in Fire Administration**

**Description:** The purpose of the course is to discuss those common challenges and topics in managing fire services.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5040 Readings in Politics, Public Policy or Public Administration**

**Prerequisites:** Consent of supervising professor.

**Description:** Readings in the student's major area of study. Offered for variable credit, 1-6 credit hours, maximum of 6 credit hours.

**Credit hours:** 1-6

**Contact hours:** Other: 1

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Independent Study

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5100 Directed Study**

**Description:** Directed study for master's level students. Offered for variable credit, 1-3 credit hours, maximum of 6 credit hours.

**Credit hours:** 1-3

**Contact hours:** Other: 1

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Independent Study

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5103 Research Design**

**Prerequisites:** Graduate standing.

**Description:** Overview of research design, including conceptualization and operationalization, literature review, deductive and inductive theorizing, hypothesis testing, quantitative and qualitative data collection and analysis.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5113 Seminar in Public Program Evaluation**

**Description:** Methodology of evaluation research in public programs. Emphasis will be placed on designing and interpreting evaluative studies rather than the mastery of particular mathematical, statistical or computer skills.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5133 Politics and Political Economy in the European Union**

**Description:** The institutions and policy-making process of the European Union (EU) and the theoretical traditions in the study of European integration. The institutional form of the EU and the type of European policy that is emerging.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science



**POLS 5143 Social and Political Perspectives in Europe**

**Description:** Examination of the current and historical social, cultural and political landscapes of European societies. Material related to identity politics, citizenship, democratization and collective memory feature regularly in the course.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5203 ProSeminar in International Relations**

**Description:** A general survey intended to introduce students to major theoretical paradigms, applications, and debates in the field of international relations.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5210 Topics Seminar in International Relations**

**Description:** In-depth examination of critical topics and issues in International Relations. May be repeated up to 6 hours with different topics. Offered for fixed credit, 3 credit hours, maximum of 6 credit hours.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5213 Seminar in the International Political Economy**

**Prerequisites:** Graduate standing.

**Description:** Research on the mechanics and theories of interaction between economic and political phenomena. Same course as INTL 5213.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5300 Special Topics Seminar in Fire and Emergency Management**

**Description:** Specialized topics in fire and emergency management. Offered for variable credit, 1-3 credit hours, maximum of 9 credit hours.

**Credit hours:** 1-3

**Contact hours:** Other: 1

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Independent Study

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5303 Introduction to Fire and Emergency Management**

**Prerequisites:** Graduate standing.

**Description:** Examines the content and historical evolution of fire and emergency management including terminology, concepts, theories, and methods employed.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5313 Public Management**

**Description:** Introduction to the general principles of management as they are applied in the public sector. Systems theory, organization design, and techniques of supervision.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5320 Seminar in Public Budgeting and Finance**

**Description:** Major processes and practices involved in governmental budgeting in the United States at national, state and local level. Same course as 4413. Offered for fixed credit, 3 credit hours, maximum of 6 credit hours.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5323 Urban Politics and Management**

**Description:** Introduction to the concepts, processes and techniques of managing urban political systems to include problems of leadership, decision-making, general management and group behavior.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5333 Seminar in Public Personnel Administration**

**Description:** Current practices, problems and issues in public sector personnel administration, including merit system, civil service reform collective bargaining, and equal opportunity and affirmative action.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5343 Seminar in Fire and Emergency Services Administration.**

**Description:** Introduction to policies, procedures and administrative process required to deliver fire and emergency services; detailed examination of the social, political and economic issues that have an impact on service delivery and organizational approaches.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5353 Seminar in Design, Structure and Processes of Public Organizations**

**Description:** Administration in the public sector, stressing traditional and emerging organization structures. Awareness of administrative processes and environment that include program design, implementation, and administrative accountability.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5363 Public Sector Dispute Resolution****Prerequisites:** Senior or graduate standing.**Description:** Labor relations and employment issues in the public sector, and the various methods for resolving government personnel conflicts without resort to violence or litigation. Focus on labor law, employment law and Alternative Dispute Resolution as they apply to government employment.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Graduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 5383 Disaster Recovery****Prerequisites:** POLS 5683.**Description:** Processes, conditions and components of recovery in disaster contexts. Topics include environmental, economic, housing, infrastructure, and policy. Roles of voluntary organizations; securing and managing resources.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Graduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 5393 Politics of Disaster****Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Graduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 5403 ProSeminar in Comparative Politics****Prerequisites:** Graduate standing and 5303 or consent of instructor.**Description:** Situates disaster phases in the political context at the local, national, and international levels. Examines research on specific events and their interactive effects between the political system and various phases of disaster.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Graduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 5410 Topics Seminar in Comparative Politics****Description:** In-depth examination of critical topics and issues in Comparative Politics. May be repeated up to 6 hours with different topics. Offered for fixed credit, 3 credit hours, maximum of 6 credit hours.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Other: 3**Levels:** Graduate**Schedule types:** Independent Study**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 5510 Seminar in Political Behavior****Description:** Examination of contemporary theories of political behavior with emphasis on empirical studies. Offered for variable credit, 1-3 credit hours, maximum of 6 credit hours.**Credit hours:** 1-3**Contact hours:** Other: 3**Levels:** Graduate**Schedule types:** Independent Study**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 5513 Seminar in Political Psychology****Description:** Examination of psychological theories as they pertain to political behavior, including attitude change, political cognition, public opinion and decision-making.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Graduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 5613 Public Policy Analysis****Description:** Analytical methods for evaluating public policies and examination of the public processes including policy design, implementation and evaluation.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Graduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 5620 Seminar in Natural Resource Policy, Law and Administration****Description:** Analysis of the legal and public policy aspects of environmental regulation, including special emphasis on one of three components: environmental law, administrative law, and national resource law and policy. Offered for fixed credit, 3 credit hours, maximum of 9 credit hours.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Graduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 5633 Practical Environmental Compliance****Description:** Environmental decision-making, reading and understanding environmental statutes and regulations, and effectively dealing with the EPA. Environmental permitting and enforcement, policies and procedures. Review of hazardous waste regulations with emphasis on ground water problems.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Graduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 5643 Regulatory Risk Analysis****Description:** Risk-based decision making, government's risk analysis paradigm, risk analysis policy, and social aspects of risk assessment. Review of the RCRA corrective action, CERCLA (Superfund) remedial action, and NEPA environmental impact study programs.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Graduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5653 Hazard, Risk, and Vulnerability Assessment (HRVA)**

**Description:** This course will introduce students to the hazard, risk, and vulnerability assessment (HRVA). The course materials include concepts of hazard identification, vulnerability assessment, and risk analysis. The course cover topics such as risk management and risk communication before and after disasters, resiliency measurements, disaster loss estimation, hazard mitigation planning process, and disaster resiliency policies and strategies.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5663 Community Relations in Environmental and Emergency Management**

**Description:** Preparation for the environmental manager, emergency manager, and fire department manager to communicate and negotiate with the public and media concerning environmental threats to human health routine and non-routine releases of chemicals and radioactive materials. Strategies for community-based planning, emergency preparedness, environmental response, site damage, and conflict management.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5673 Understanding and Responding to Terrorism**

**Description:** Exploration of the experience of non-state terrorism in the U.S. and Western European democracies in the late 20th century. Understanding terrorism as a political, social, and historical phenomenon; the current and future threat of terrorism, both foreign and domestic; governmental choices in responding to terrorism in democratic societies and; U.S. anti-terrorism policies and considerations that emergency responders face in preparing for and responding to terrorist incidents.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5683 Emergency Management and Public Policy in the United States**

**Description:** Examination of natural and man-made disasters in the U.S. along with the policies and programs intended to prevent, respond to, mitigate, and recover from such events. The evolution of the U.S. Emergency Management System, the emergency management profession, and future directions in emergency policy.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5693 Emergency Management in the International Setting**

**Description:** Introduction to emergency management in the international setting. Provides background for students who may work with international assistance programs or who may become involved in the delivery of emergency management services abroad as part of an international assistance effect.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5703 ProSeminar in American Politics**

**Description:** Overview of a wide range of classic works in American institutions and Political Behavior. It examines not only the classic works in each area of these subfields, but a sampling of current work being done in the field.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5710 Topics Seminar in American Politics**

**Description:** In-depth examination of critical topics and issues in American Politics. May be repeated up to 6 hours with different topics. Offered for variable credit, 1-3 credit hours, maximum of 6 credit hours.

**Credit hours:** 1-3

**Contact hours:** Other: 1

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Independent Study

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5713 Seminar in Public Law**

**Description:** Literature of public law in the United States. Overview of the approaches that shape the theoretical and empirical contours of the public law field and contribute to multidisciplinary law and social science studies.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5720 Topics in Political Science**

**Description:** In-depth examination of critical topics and issues in Political Science. May be repeated up to 6 hours with different topics. Offered for fixed credit, 1-3 credit hours, maximum of 6 credit hours.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5743 Seminar in Political Communication**

**Description:** Examination of recent theories within politics and the media, including effects of media on opinion, role of media as a political institution and the role of media during elections.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 5810 Seminar in Women and Politics****Prerequisites:** Graduate standing.**Description:** Research on a variety of topics concerning women and politics, including women's movements, women and elections, and public opinion. Offered for fixed credit, 3 credit hours, maximum of 9 credit hours.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Other: 3**Levels:** Graduate**Schedule types:** Independent Study**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 5903 Practicum in Fire and Emergency Management Administration****Prerequisites:** Consent of instructor.**Description:** Supervised practicum in fire and emergency management administration.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Graduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 5923 Preparedness And Planning****Prerequisites:** Graduate standing and POLS 5303 or consent of instructor.**Description:** Planning and training for hazards and disaster management at the organizational level; review of public education and preparedness efforts at the household and community level, review of research on disaster planning. Previously offered as POLS 6323.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Graduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 5933 Disaster Response****Prerequisites:** Graduate standing and POLS 5303 or consent of instructor.**Description:** Review of scientific literature on human and organizational behavior in response to disasters. Identification of actors involved in emergency response, their roles and responsibilities. Examination of human response in context of organizational structures and resources including emergency operating centers. Review of local and national government response policies. Previously offered as POLS 6333.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Graduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 5943 Complex Emergencies****Prerequisites:** Graduate Standing.**Description:** This course examines complex emergencies from an emergency management perspective. We will look at the collapse of governance, the causes of armed conflict, food insecurity, infectious disease, natural disasters, and so on and examine specific cases in detail. Furthermore, we will look at how the international community responds to these crises, and which agencies are involved in relief efforts. We will apply the traditional four phases of disaster management these situations.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Graduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 6000 Doctoral Dissertation Research****Prerequisites:** Consent of major professor.**Description:** Research for PhD dissertation. Offered for variable credit, 1-12 credit hours, maximum of 60 credit hours.**Credit hours:** 1-12**Contact hours:** Other: 1**Levels:** Graduate**Schedule types:** Independent Study**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 6003 Proseminar in Fire and Emergency Management****Prerequisites:** Graduate standing.**Description:** Examines scope of the fire and emergency management field as an area of academic inquiry.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Graduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 6013 Qualitative Methods****Prerequisites:** POLS 5103.**Description:** Qualitative methods for collecting and analyzing data from the social sciences.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Graduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 6040 Directed Readings in Fire and Emergency Management****Prerequisites:** Graduate standing or consent of instructor.**Description:** Directed readings for doctoral students in specialized areas of fire and emergency management. Offered for variable credit, 1-3 credit hours, maximum of 9 credit hours.**Credit hours:** 1-3**Contact hours:** Other: 1**Levels:** Graduate**Schedule types:** Independent Study**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 6123 Quantitative Methods for Fire and Emergency Managers****Prerequisites:** Graduate standing and POLS 5013 or consent of instructor.**Description:** Descriptive, inferential, and non-parametric statistics with collection and analysis of data from fire and emergency management field.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Graduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science**POLS 6133 Seminar in Fire and Emergency Management Research Survey****Prerequisites:** Graduate standing and POLS 5103, POLS 6013, and POLS 6123.**Description:** Survey of the academic literature in the fields of fire and emergency management. Development of a research article for submission to a professional journal or conference.**Credit hours:** 3**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3**Levels:** Graduate**Schedule types:** Lecture**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 6143 Methods For Disaster Research**

**Prerequisites:** Graduate standing and POLS 5303; POLS 5013 or POLS 5103.

**Description:** History and scope of methods for disaster research.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 6153 Pedagogical Methods for Fire and Emergency Management Instruction**

**Prerequisites:** Graduate standing.

**Description:** History of FEMA education, review of instructional methods, and research on educational methods in field.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 6203 Comparative and International Dimensions of Fire and Emergency Management**

**Prerequisites:** Graduate standing and POLS 6003 or consent of instructor.

**Description:** Comparative analysis of the organization, management, and policies of fire and emergency response services in other countries.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 6213 Political Context of Fire and Emergency Management**

**Prerequisites:** Graduate standing and POLS 5343 or consent of instructor.

**Description:** Analysis of political environment impacting fire service including federalism and intergovernmental relations, interest groups, other public agencies, and private sector organizations.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 6300 Advanced Special Topics Seminar in Fire and Emergency Management**

**Prerequisites:** Graduate standing or consent of instructor.

**Description:** Specialized topics in fire and emergency management for doctoral students. Offered for variable credit, 1-3 credit hours, maximum of 9 credit hours.

**Credit hours:** 1-3

**Contact hours:** Other: 1

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Independent Study

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 6303 Populations At Risk**

**Description:** Describes populations at risk for increased injury, death and property loss. Identifies policies, programs and resources for risk reduction. Applies research for purposes of planning and capacity building. Previously offered as POLS 5373.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 6313 Mitigation**

**Prerequisites:** Graduate standing and recommended POLS 5303, POLS 6143 and POLS 6153.

**Description:** Structural and non-structural mitigation approaches to hazard reduction; description of policies, programs, and planning methods relevant to all governmental levels; and review of research and case studies of mitigation efforts.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science

**POLS 6343 Organizational Behavior in Disaster**

**Prerequisites:** Graduate standing and POLS 5303 or consent of instructor.

**Description:** Theoretical overview of organizational behavior in a disaster context. How organizations respond, adapt, fail and succeed when disrupted by disaster. Role of formal and informal organizational structures in confronting disasters.

**Credit hours:** 3

**Contact hours:** Lecture: 3

**Levels:** Graduate, Undergraduate

**Schedule types:** Lecture

**Department/School:** Political Science