

PAC Elective Courses

POLSC 607, Administrative Law: Legal analysis of the rule-making, adjudicatory, and enforcement functions of administrative agencies, with emphasis on constitutional framework, judicial review, requirements of procedural fairness, and rights of public employees.

POLSC 618, Urban Politics: Fundamental problems of political power and decision making in urban suburban governmental settings.

POLSC 620, State and Local Government: The United States system of federalism with emphasis on a comparative analysis of the government and politics of the fifty states and their subdivisions.

POLSC 628, Civic Engagement: Seminar on the role of voluntary organizations and civic groups in American political life and the factors that lead citizens to participate in both electoral and non-electoral activities.

POLSC 700, Research Methods in Political Science: Principles of scientific inquiry, research design, and the measurement and analysis of social phenomena will be covered.

POLSC 710, Policy Analysis and Evaluation: Methods of policy analysis and evaluation. Includes a discussion of the relationship between public policy and the distribution of values in society. Students analyze policies in an area of their choice; e.g., agriculture, business, health, income, trade.

POLSC 711, Administrative Ethics: Ethical issues, approaches, and strategies in public service.

POLSC 739, Intergovernmental Relations: Evolution of the intergovernmental system in the United States and internationally. Emphasis on federal, state, and local interrelationships.

POLSC 740, Nonprofit Financial Management: Introduction to the major issues in nonprofit management. Highlights the unique nature of the nonprofit sector with government (public) and business (for-profit) sectors. Issues may include governance roles and responsibilities, ethics and risk management, financial management and resource generation, managing staff and volunteers, performance measurements, and the emerging trends that threaten nonprofits' tax-exempt status.

POLSC 785, Readings in Political Science: Directed reading and discussion of a selected topic in political science.

POLSC 799, Executive Leadership in Public and Nonprofit Agencies: Explores the enabling and constraining factors of politics and the public interest that shape the work of being a leader in a public or non-profit agency.

POLSC 812, Foundations in Security Studies: An interdisciplinary introduction to the major historical developments and scholarly approaches in the fields of military history, international relations, and security studies.