Public Policy Minor

Requirements for Political Science Minors

A general minor in political science can be arranged, as well as specialized minors in eight different subfields of the discipline. Interested students should see a faculty adviser to plan a coherent program of study as a minor field.

Students must achieve a cumulative 2.0 GPA in the political science courses chosen to qualify for the minor. Students may count no more than 3 hours in political science taken on a satisfactory/unsatisfactory basis toward the minor. Students taking an internship POL SCI 3940 may count no more than three hours of the internship toward the minor.

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Total Hours 15

Learning Outcomes

- Demonstrate understanding of theories, concepts and practices relevant to public policy.
- Describe and apply the models used to analyze and create public policy.
- Assess public policy issues, formulate evidence-based recommendations, and communicate them with clarity and coherence.