POLITICAL SCIENCE (POLS)

POLS*1150 Understanding Politics Fall and Winter (LEC: 3, LAB: 1) [0.50]
This is the recommended introductory course for students intending to pursue a specialization in Political Science. An introduction to the basic concepts of politics, such as liberty, equality, social justice, constitutionalism, sovereignty, federalism, parliamentary versus presidential government. The course will emphasize the meaning and use of these terms within Canada in the context of other political systems.
Restriction(s): POLS*1000, POLS*1300
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*1500 World Politics Fall Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
An examination of the fundamental patterns of international politics, focusing especially on the major issues and contemporary events at the root of international conflict. As well, the reality of globalization and interdependence is assessed in terms of the alternative patterns of international cooperation in the contemporary world.
Offering(s): Also offered through Distance Education format.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*2000 Political Theory Fall Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
A study of the philosophic and ideological developments which have led to the emergence of the modern state and contemporary politics.
Offering(s): Offered through Distance Education format only.
Restriction(s): PHIL*2280
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*2100 Comparative Politics Winter Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
The course provides an introduction to key concepts used in comparative political analysis.
Prerequisite(s): 2.00 credits
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*2150 Gender and Politics Winter Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This course introduces students to competing approaches to gender and politics. Students will examine the interrelationship of gender, politics and the state, focusing on its implications for political mobilization, representation and participation, public policy, global gender issues in international relations, and cultural and regional differences in gender politics. The course provides the student with the conceptual and analytical tools for upper-year courses on politics in general and on gender, sexuality and politics in particular.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*2200 International Relations Fall Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
An introduction to basic theories and concepts in the study of international relations, including an analysis of power, national interest, security, survival, nationalism, sovereignty, decision-making, interdependence, integration, and transnationalism.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*2230 Public Policy Fall and Winter (LEC: 3) [0.50]
The course introduces students to public policy, including the differences between applied and explanatory policy analyses, within the larger context of politics and government. Case studies of different policy areas are used to illustrate the challenges of developing, implementing, and explaining policy in various (and often interrelated) contexts from the local to the global.
Offering(s): Also offered through Distance Education format.
Prerequisite(s): 2.00 credits
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*2250 Public Administration and Governance Winter Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
The course explores, from both practical and theoretical perspectives, planning and implementation of programs and services through government departments and agencies and "alternative" processes and structures, sometimes involving non-governmental actors. The course critically evaluates the changing role of bureaucracy; financial and human resource management; and the evolving concepts of responsibility and accountability.
Offering(s): Also offered through Distance Education format.
Prerequisite(s): 2.00 credits
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*2300 Canadian Government and Politics Fall and Winter (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This course explores the core institutions of Canadian government, including parliamentary government, federalism, the Charter of Rights and Freedoms and electoral systems. How these institutions shape and are shaped by political parties and social forces, as well as current issues like Quebec nationalism, identity politics and Aboriginal governance, are covered.
Offering(s): Also offered through Distance Education format.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*2350 Law from a Political Science Perspective Fall Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This course will consider law as both the output of political action and as the structure in which political action occurs. It will introduce students to core legal concepts, explore the impact of law on private and public actors, and help students develop legal research skills.
Prerequisite(s): 2.00 credits
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*2650 Political Inquiry and Research Methods Fall Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This course offers an introduction to the principles of inquiry in political science. Students will study the crucial components of research and engage subjects such as theorization, research ethics, conceptualization, operationalization, research design, case selection, and both quantitative and qualitative methods of data collection.
Prerequisite(s): 4.00 credits including (JLS*1000 or POLS*1150)
Restriction(s): POLS*3180
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POLS*3270 Local Government in Ontario Unspecified (LEC: 3) [0.50]
Municipal governments are major spenders of public funds in Canada, and are also the level of government closest to the people. In this course, students will examine the major problems confronting urban government in Ontario.
Prerequisite(s): 7.50 credits
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*3300 Governing Criminal Justice Unspecified (LEC: 3) [0.50]
The course provides an overview of the policy process and outcomes of the Canadian criminal justice system. Particular emphasis is placed on examining, using various public policy and public management perspectives, the practices and interactions of governmental agencies within the system, such as police agencies and boards, departments of Justice, Solicitor-General, corrections and parole agencies, courts and the legal profession.
Offering(s): Also offered through Distance Education format.
Prerequisite(s): 1 of POLS*2350, POLS*2250, POLS*2300
Restriction(s): This is a Priority Access Course. Enrolment may be restricted to particular programs or specializations or semester levels during certain periods. Please see the departmental website for more information.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*3320 Politics of Aid and Development Fall Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This course examines the motivations and mechanisms by which industrialized states have designed and implemented foreign aid programs and policy, primarily since the end of the Second World War. Particular emphasis will be placed on the role of multilateral, bilateral and nongovernmental organizations in the delivery of development assistance and humanitarian relief.
Prerequisite(s): 1 of IDEV*2000, IDEV*2400, POLS*2080
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*3340 Indigenous Politics in Canada Fall Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This course provides an overview of the relationship between the Canadian state and Indigenous peoples by critically analyzing key historical and contemporary legal, political, and social developments in this evolving relationship.
Prerequisite(s): 1 of ANTH*2660, HIST*2600, INDG*1000, POLS*2230, POLS*2300
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*3350 Comparative Law and Courts Fall Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
The course compares legal systems and judicial processes (such as judicial selection, decision-making, and accountability) across jurisdictions and explores similarities and differences in legal and judicial systems. The course critically analyzes the implications of these differences, such as in terms of judicial power, access to justice, and the protection of rights.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*3370 Environmental Politics and Governance Summer and Fall (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This course examines environmental politics and governance in Canada as well as in comparative and international contexts. This is accomplished by surveying how various political, legal, administrative, and private-public actors and processes influence the development and implementation of environmental policy.
Offering(s): Also offered through Distance Education format.
Prerequisite(s): 7.50 credits
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*3410 U.S. Politics and Government Unspecified (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This course involves a treatment of the basic principles and institutions of national government and politics in the United States as well as the making and execution of public policy at the national and state levels.
Prerequisite(s): POLS*2100 or POLS*2300
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*3440 Corruption, Scandal and Political Ethics Unspecified (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This course will introduce students to the phenomenon of political corruption and the study of its incidence. Attention will be paid to historical examples, contemporary scandals, and analytical articles, dealing with the nature, causes and effects, and proposed cures of political corruption, and the ethical dilemmas inherent in political life.
Offering(s): Also offered through Distance Education format.
Prerequisite(s): 5.00 credits
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*3450 European Governments and Politics Fall Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
Europe has forged a new form of political organization, the European Union, in addition to its variety of national democratic forms. This course offers a comparative examination of selected national governments, as well as an exploration of this new supra-national organization.
Prerequisite(s): 4.00 credits including 1 of EURO*1050, POLS*2100, POLS*2200
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*3470 Business-Government Relations in Canada Unspecified (LEC: 3) [0.50]
The public and private sectors in Canada have become more and more interrelated in recent years as evidenced by tax and expenditure policies, the role of regulation and public enterprise, and the increasing emphasis on consultation and co-ordination. This course examines the evolving relationship between governments and the private sector in Canada, including business (both large and small), organized labour, specific sectors such as agriculture and consumer affairs and voluntary organizations.
Prerequisite(s): 1 of POLS*1400, POLS*2230, POLS*2250
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph
POLS*3490 Conflict and Conflict Resolution Fall Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This course will examine the growing body of literature which considers
violent conflict and its management. Materials are organized to reflect
the trajectory of many contemporary conflicts: from explanations for
violence, to identifying conditions and means to resolve conflict and,
finally, to post-conflict governance.
Prerequisite(s): 1 of POLS*1500, POLS*2100, POLS*2200
Restriction(s): This is a Priority Access Course. Enrolment may be
restricted to particular programs or specializations or semester levels
during certain periods. Please see the departmental website for more
information.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*3650 Quantitative Methods of Data Analysis Winter Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This course examines quantitative research methods of data analysis
used in political science. Students learn how to apply basic descriptive
and inferential statistical procedures to research political problems and
test hypotheses. In lab, students will acquire the skills to perform data
analysis
Prerequisite(s): 1 of POLS*2650, POLS*3180, SOAN*2120
Restriction(s): Registration in Criminal Justice & Public Policy or
Political Science (major, minor or area of concentration) or International
Development (major only).
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*3670 Comparative Public Policy Fall Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This course examines the political factors that shape the policymaking
process. Using the major theoretical perspectives, the course compares
public policies in different countries. Empirically, the focus is on a variety
of pressing issues that societies currently face.
Prerequisite(s): 1 of POLS*2080, POLS*2100, POLS*2230
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*3710 Gender, Sexuality and Law Fall Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This course explores the relationship between sexuality, gender
and sexual orientation and critically analyzes their regulation and
deregulation by state and non-state actors.
Prerequisite(s): 1 of PHIL*2060, POLS*2000, POLS*2150, SOAN*2400
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*3790 International Political Economy Winter Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This course examines major features of the contemporary international
economy, treating major theories and concepts within
this approach to international relations (hegemony, globalization,
interdependence, world systems theory, etc.) and focusing on
the operation of key international institutions and regimes (i.e.
communications, trade and transport policy).
Prerequisite(s): 1 of GEOG*2230, IDEV*2000, IDEV*2500, POLS*2080,
POLS*2100, POLS*2200
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*3850 Experiential Learning in Political Science Unspecified (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This course allows students to reflect upon their involvement in some
form of politically related activity, including simulations, volunteer
programs, or internship work with government or non-government
organizations. The student must find a faculty member from the
Department of Political Science willing to act as a supervisor for the
course. See the Political Science website for the learning contract and
other requirements that must be completed in advance of registering for
this course.
Prerequisite(s): Minimum of 10.00 credits, 2.00 of which must be in
Political Science.
Restriction(s): Approval of the experience and evaluation criteria by
the Undergraduate Committee of the Department of Political Science.
Instructor consent required.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*3890 Government and Politics of India Winter Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
The course is designed to provide a survey of the history, society, culture,
politics, government, bureaucracy and foreign relations of India.
Prerequisite(s): 1 of POLS*2080, POLS*2100, POLS*2200
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*3920 Politics of China Fall Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This course is a detailed study of the political history of modern China
and its current politics. The main objective is to assess the extent to
which the Chinese Communist Party has fulfilled its mandate, which is to
build a sovereign and united China as well as to modernize the country
within a socialist framework.
Prerequisite(s): 1 of POLS*2080, POLS*2100, POLS*2200
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*3960 Selected Topics in Political Science Summer, Fall, and
Winter (LEC: 3) [0.50]
Readings and research in selected areas of the discipline not covered
by regular course offerings. Students present a proposal and seek
approval from a member of the department in the semester previous to
enrolment in this course. The method of course presentation, emphasis,
and evaluation are at the discretion of the instructor.
Prerequisite(s): 1.50 credits at the 3000 level in Political Science or
equivalent
Restriction(s): Instructor consent required.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*4020 Global Law and Courts Winter Only (LEC: 3) [1.00]
The seminar critically investigates topics in comparative, transnational,
or international law and judicial processes.
Prerequisite(s): POLS*3020 POLS*3130 or POLS*3350
Restriction(s): POLS*4040
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph
POL*4030  Contemporary Political Theory  Unspecified  (LEC: 3)  [0.50]
This course provides an analysis of selected theories and political issues discussed by prominent 20th-Century thinkers. These contemporary works will be examined as part of the long tradition of political discourse dating back to the classical period.
Prerequisite(s): POLS*2000 and at least 1.00 credits at the 3000 level in the Political Thought stream. Streams are defined under the Political Science Major.
Restriction(s): This is a Priority Access Course. Enrolment may be restricted to particular programs or specializations or semester levels during certain periods. Please see the departmental website for more information.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POL*4040  Advanced Lecture in Global Law and Courts  Winter Only  (LEC: 3)  [0.50]
The seminar critically investigates topics in comparative, transnational, or international law and judicial processes.
Prerequisite(s): POLS*3020 POLS*3130 or POLS*3350
Restriction(s): POLS*4020
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POL*4050  Advanced Topics in Law and Politics  Fall and Winter  (LEC: 3)  [1.00]
This course explores advanced topics in law and politics depending on the interests of the instructor. Potential topics include investigating the law and politics of social change or analyzing debates about the political power of courts in Canada or in comparative perspectives.
Prerequisite(s): 1 of POLS*3020, POLS*3130, POLS*3140, POLS*3350
Restriction(s): POLS*4060. This is a Priority Access Course. Enrolment may be restricted to particular programs or specializations or semester levels during certain periods. Please see the departmental website for more information.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POL*4060  Advanced Topics Lecture in Law and Politics  Fall and Winter  (LEC: 3)  [0.50]
This advanced lecture course explores topics in law and politics. Specific topics vary depending on the interests of the instructor. Potential topics include the relationship between law and social change, human rights, the relationship between law and power, judicial decision-making, and the relationship between law, class, gender, race, and sexuality.
Prerequisite(s): 1 of POLS*3020, POLS*3130, POLS*3140, POLS*3350
Restriction(s): POLS*4050. This is a Priority Access Course. Enrolment may be restricted to particular programs or specializations or semester levels during certain periods. Please see the departmental website for more information.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POL*4110  Criminal Justice Policy and Law  Winter Only  (LEC: 3)  [1.00]
The seminar critically investigates topics in criminal justice and public policy.
Prerequisite(s): 12.50 credits including POLS*3300
Restriction(s): POLS*4130
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POL*4130  Advanced Lecture in Criminal Justice Policy  Winter Only  (LEC: 3)  [0.50]
The course critically investigates topics in criminal justice and public policy.
Prerequisite(s): 12.50 credits including POLS*3300
Restriction(s): POLS*4110
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph
POLS*4140 Conceptions of Canada Winter Only (LEC: 3) [1.00]
This course will explore evolving conceptions of Canadian identity and nationalism through consideration of political culture, institutions and constitutional arrangements. Possible topics include: multiculturalism, Aboriginal identity and community, Quebec nationalism, social citizenship, rights and representation, as well as Canada’s global role and significance.
Prerequisite(s): POLS*2300 and 1.00 credits at the 3000 level in the Canadian Politics stream. Streams are defined under the Political Science Major.
Restriction(s): This is a Priority Access Course. Enrolment may be restricted to particular programs or specializations or semester levels during certain periods. Please see the departmental website for more information.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*4150 Advanced Lecture in Conceptions of Canada Winter Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This advanced lecture course will explore evolving conceptions of Canadian identity and nationalism through a consideration of political culture, institutions, and constitutional arrangements. Possible topics include: multiculturalism, Aboriginal identity and community, Quebec nationalism, social citizenship, rights and representation, as well as Canada’s global role and significance.
Prerequisite(s): POLS*2300, (2 of HIST*3160, POLS*3050, POLS*3210, POLS*3270, POLS*3470)
Restriction(s): This is a Priority Access Course. Enrolment may be restricted to particular programs or specializations or semester levels during certain periods. Please see the departmental website for more information. Students may not receive credit for both POLS*4140 and POLS*4150
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*4160 Multi-Level Governance in Canada Unspecified (LEC: 3) [1.00]
This course considers the evolving relationship among levels of government in Canada. The growth of cities, the growth of policy responsibilities of provinces, the influence of international organizations, and the development of First Nations government in Canada all challenge the conventional study of federal-provincial relations in Canada. From year to year, this course examines one or several of these contemporary dynamics.
Prerequisite(s): POLS*2300 and 1.00 credits at the 3000 level in the Canadian Politics stream. Streams are defined under the Political Science Major.
Restriction(s): This is a Priority Access Course. Enrolment may be restricted to particular programs or specializations or semester levels during certain periods. Please see the departmental website for more information.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*4200 International Political Economy Unspecified (LEC: 3) [1.00]
The course relies on theoretical approaches in IPE to examine relationships between politics and economics across national and regional levels. The evolution of the global political economy and its governance structures is explored, as well as contemporary debates about globalization and state and non-state actors’ responses. Issue-areas may include: money and power, technology, trade, development and the environment.
Prerequisite(s): (1 of POLS*2080, POLS*2100, POLS*2200); and at least 1.00 credits at the 3000 level in the International Relations and Global Studies stream. Streams are defined under the Political Science Major.
Restriction(s): This is a Priority Access Course. Enrolment may be restricted to particular programs or specializations or semester levels during certain periods. Please see the departmental website for more information.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*4250 Topics in Public Management Winter Only (LEC: 3) [1.00]
This course will examine various topics related to governance, such as public management reform, public sector leadership, third sector organizations or budgeting and human resources.
Prerequisite(s): POLS*2250 and 1.00 credits at the 3000 level in the Public Policy, Governance and Law stream or the Canadian Politics stream. Streams are defined under the Political Science Major.
Restriction(s): POLS*4270. This is a Priority Access Course. Enrolment may be restricted to particular programs or specializations or semester levels during certain periods. Please see the departmental website for more information.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*4260 Topics in Public Policy Unspecified (LEC: 3) [1.00]
This course will examine various public policy issues such as social policy or health care policy in a Canadian or comparative context.
Prerequisite(s): (2 of POLS*2230, POLS*2250, POLS*2300), 1.00 credits in the Public Policy, Governance and Law stream or the Canadian Politics stream. Streams are defined under the Political Science Major.
Restriction(s): POLS*4280. This is a Priority Access Course. Enrolment may be restricted to particular programs or specializations or semester levels during certain periods. Please see the departmental website for more information.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*4270 Advanced Lecture in Public Management Fall Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This advanced lecture course examines various topics related to governance, such as public management reform, public sector leadership, third sector organizations, or budgeting and human resources.
Prerequisite(s): POLS*2250, and 1.00 credits at the 3000 level in the Public Policy, Governance and Law stream or the Canadian Politics stream. Streams are defined under the Political Science Major.
Restriction(s): POLS*4250. This is a Priority Access Course. Enrolment may be restricted to particular programs or specializations or semester levels during certain periods. Please see the departmental website for more information.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*4170 Global Environmental Politics Winter Only (LEC: 3) [1.00]
This seminar critically explores the politics of global environmental governance including the role of state and non-state actors.
Prerequisite(s): 12.50 credits including POLS*3370
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph
POLS*4280  Advanced Lecture in Public Policy  Winter Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
The advanced lecture course will examine various public policy issues, such as social policy, health care policy, environmental policy, or economic policy in a Canadian or comparative context.
Prerequisite(s): (2 of POLS*2230, POLS*2250, POLS*2300), 1.00 credits in the Public Policy, Governance and Law stream or the Canadian Politics stream. Streams are defined under the Political Science Major.
Restriction(s): POLS*4260. This is a Priority Access Course. Enrollment may be restricted to particular programs or specializations or semester levels during certain periods. Please see the departmental website for more information.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*4300  Human Rights, Ethics, and Development  Winter Only (LEC: 3) [1.00]
This course will examine the political and ethical consequences of adopting a human rights framework in national and international contexts by both state and non-state actors. This subject will be explored from a range of historical, theoretical and practical perspectives.
Prerequisite(s): (1 of IDEV*2000, IDEV*2400, POLS*2080, POLS*2100, POLS*2200), 1.00 credits at the 3000 level in Political Science.
Restriction(s): POLS*4320. This is a Priority Access Course. Enrollment may be restricted to particular programs or specializations or semester levels during certain periods. Please see the departmental website for more information.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*4310  Advanced Lecture in Women, Justice and Public Policy  Fall and Winter (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This advanced lecture course will use gender-based analysis in examining a series of justice and public policy issues affecting the lives of women, including equality rights, pay and employment equity, domestic violence, sexual assault, family policy, health care policy and pornography. The primary focus of the topics covered in the course will be Canadian, although the experiences of women in other countries will be covered, particularly as it relates to "best practices" where appropriate.
Prerequisite(s): (2 of POLS*2150, POLS*2230, POLS*2250, POLS*2300, POLS*2350), and 1.00 credits in the Public Policy, Governance and Law or Canadian Politics streams. Streams are defined under the Political Science Major.
Restriction(s): POLS*4100. This is a Priority Access Course. Enrollment may be restricted to particular programs or specializations or semester levels during certain periods. Please see the departmental website for more information.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*4320  Advanced Lecture on Human Rights, Ethics and Development  Fall Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This advanced lecture course examines the political and ethical consequences of adopting a human rights framework in national and international contexts by both state and non-state actors. This subject will be explored from a range of historical, theoretical and practical perspectives.
Prerequisite(s): (1 of IDEV*2000, IDEV*2400, POLS*2080, POLS*2100, POLS*2200), 1.00 credits at the 3000 level in Political Science.
Restriction(s): POLS*4300. This is a Priority Access Course. Enrollment may be restricted to particular programs or specializations or semester levels during certain periods. Please see the departmental website for more information.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*4340  Nationalism, State-building and Identity  Unspecified (LEC: 3) [1.00]
The course examines the role of nationalism in contemporary politics. Nationalism as such is understood as a major political force in state-building. Its impact on both global and national politics is assessed in relation to other forms of identity-based politics.
Prerequisite(s): (1 of POLS*2000, POLS*2100, POLS*2200), 0.50 credits at the 3000 level in the Comparative Politics stream or 0.50 credits at the 3000 level in the International Relations and Global Studies stream. Streams are defined under the Political Science Major.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*4710  Topics in Comparative Politics  Unspecified (LEC: 3) [1.00]
This course considers theories and problems in comparative politics and government in developing and industrialized countries. The geographical and theoretical focus of the course will reflect the interests of the instructor.
Prerequisite(s): (1 of IDEV*2000, POLS*2080 or POLS*2100) and 1.00 credits at the 3000 level in the Comparative Politics stream. Streams are defined under the Political Science Major.
Restriction(s): POLS*4760. This is a Priority Access Course. Enrollment may be restricted to particular programs or specializations or semester levels during certain periods. Please see the departmental website for more information.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*4720  Topics in International Relations  Unspecified (LEC: 3) [1.00]
This course considers theories and problems in the field of International Relations. The theoretical and/or geographical focus of the course will reflect the interests of the instructor.
Prerequisite(s): POLS*2200 and 1.00 credits at the 3000 level in the International Relations and Global Studies stream. Streams are defined under the Political Science Major.
Restriction(s): This is a Priority Access Course. Enrollment may be restricted to particular programs or specializations or semester levels during certain periods. Please see the departmental website for more information.
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph
POLS*4730 International Relations of the Middle East Winter Only (LEC: 3) [1.00]
This course is designed as an advanced introduction to the international relations of the Middle East. The course focuses on theories of international relations and their applicability to specific case studies of Middle Eastern politics. The course provides a critical examination of conflicts in the region, and contextualizes those conflicts within both realist and neo-realist theories of international relations. The course also provides a critical examination of the Arab-Israeli crisis, with a focus on peace negotiations. This course is offered as a seminar, with a heavy emphasis on class participation. Students participate in a simulation of an Arab-Israeli peace negotiation.

Prerequisite(s): POLS*2200 and 1.00 credit at the 3000 level in the Comparative Politics and/or International Relations and Global Studies streams. Streams are defined under the Political Science Major.

Restriction(s): POLS*4910
Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*4740 Advanced Topics in Rights and Liberties Fall Only (LEC: 3) [1.00]
The course explores rights and liberties from various perspectives depending on the interests of the instructor. Potential topics include exploring the political, social, and legal factors and theories that explain the development of rights and liberties; rights and liberties in a comparative and international context; or the philosophical and policy debates surrounding rights and liberties.

Prerequisite(s): 2 of POLS*3020, POLS*3130, POLS*3140, POLS*3210, POLS*3300, POLS*3350.
Restriction(s): POLS*4780. This is a Priority Access Course. Enrolment may be restricted to particular programs or specializations or semester levels during certain periods. Please see the departmental website for more information.

Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*4750 Advanced Lecture in Comparative Politics Winter Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This advanced lecture course examines theories and problems in comparative politics and government in developing and industrialized countries. The geographical and theoretical focus of the course will vary depending on the interests of the instructor.

Prerequisite(s): (1 of IDEV*2000, POLS*2080 or POLS*2100), 1.00 credits in the Comparative Politics stream. Streams are defined under the Political Science Major.

Restriction(s): POLS*4710. This is a Priority Access Course. Enrolment may be restricted to particular programs or specializations or semester levels during certain periods. Please see the departmental website for more information.

Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*4770 Advanced Lecture in International Relations Fall Only (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This advanced lecture course considers theories and problems in the field of International Relations. The theoretical and/or geographical focus will reflect the interests of the instructor.

Prerequisite(s): POLS*2200, (2 of POLS*3160, POLS*3320, POLS*3490, POLS*3790)
Restriction(s): This is a Priority Access Course. Enrolment may be restricted to particular programs or specializations or semester levels during certain periods. Please see the departmental website for more information. Students may not receive credit for both POLS*4720 and POLS*4770

Department(s): Department of Political Science
Location(s): Guelph

POLS*4780 Advanced Lecture in Rights and Liberties Fall and Winter (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This lecture course explores rights and liberties from various perspectives depending on the interests of the instructor. Potential topics include exploring the political, social, and legal factors and theories that explain the development of rights and liberties; rights and liberties in a comparative and international context; or the philosophical and policy debates surrounding rights and liberties.

Prerequisite(s): 2 of POLS*3020, POLS*3130, POLS*3140, POLS*3210, POLS*3300, POLS*3350
Restriction(s): This is a Priority Access Course. Enrolment may be restricted to particular programs or specializations or semester levels during certain periods. Please see the departmental website for more information. Students may not receive credit for both POLS*4740 and POLS*4780

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Location(s): Guelph

POLS*4900 Special Topics Seminar in Political Science Summer, Fall, and Winter (LEC: 3) [1.00]
This seminar-based course explores a current issue in Political Science. Topics will vary from year to year and will reflect the research and teaching interests of the faculty member directing the course. Information on the topic of the current offering can be found on the departmental website.

Prerequisite(s): 14.00 credits, including 1.00 credits in Political Science at the 3000 level.

Department(s): Department of Political Science

Location(s): Guelph

POLS*4910 Selected Topics in Political Science II Summer, Fall, and Winter (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This course provides for independent reading and research in selected areas of the discipline not covered by regular course offerings. Prior to enrollment in the course, approval must be obtained from a member of the department willing to supervise the research. Students should approach potential supervisors with a proposal for readings and research, which may include reflection and expansion on a subject matter addressed in previous course assignments.

Prerequisite(s): 1.50 credits at the 3000 level in Political Science or equivalent

Restriction(s): Instructor consent required.

Department(s): Department of Political Science

Location(s): Guelph
**POLS*4930 Selected Topics in Political Science** Summer, Fall, and Winter (LEC: 3) [1.00]
This course provides for independent reading and research in selected areas of the discipline not covered by regular course offerings. Prior to enrollment in the course, approval must be obtained from a member of the department willing to supervise the research. Students should approach potential supervisors with a proposal for readings and research, which may include reflection and expansion on a subject matter addressed in previous course assignments.

**Prerequisite(s):** 1.50 credits at the 3000 level in Political Science or equivalent

**Restriction(s):** Instructor consent required.

**Department(s):** Department of Political Science

**Location(s):** Guelph

**POLS*4970 Honours Political Science Research I** Summer, Fall, and Winter (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This is Part I of the Honours Essay. Students complete the necessary reading and research for their Honours Essay under the supervision of a department advisor. A research proposal is expected by the end of the semester. Political science majors who wish to pursue an honours thesis must register in this course in their 7th semester. Student selection of an approved subject area and instructor must be completed in the semester previous to enrolment in this course.

**Prerequisite(s):** 70% average in all POLS courses. Recommendation: Students with less than a 75% average are advised not to take this course.

**Restriction(s):** Instructor consent required.

**Department(s):** Department of Political Science

**Location(s):** Guelph

**POLS*4980 Honours Political Science Research II** Summer, Fall, and Winter (LEC: 3) [0.50]
This is Part II of the Honours Essay. Students organize and write their essays under the supervision of their advisor. Major honours political science students must register in this course in their 8th semester.

**Prerequisite(s):** POLS*4970

**Restriction(s):** Instructor consent required.

**Department(s):** Department of Political Science

**Location(s):** Guelph