

Political Economy

- **M.A. Political Economy**
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M.A. Political Economy

About the Program

The interdisciplinary nature of the M.A. Political Economy is designed to offer students an exposure to the core concepts of political economy and an opportunity to develop individual areas of research concentration. The program focuses on investigating the relationship between the economy and politics as they affect the social and cultural life of societies, and secondly, focuses on the historical processes whereby social change is located in the interaction of the economic, political, cultural, and ideological moments of social life. The curriculum includes courses with a political economy orientation offered by other departments, schools, and institutes.

Academic Regulations

See the General Regulations section of this Calendar.

All master's candidates must maintain B standing or better (GPA of 8.0). A candidate may, with the recommendation of the Institute and the approval of the Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, be allowed a grade of C+ in 0.5 credit.

Admission Requirements

The normal requirement for admission to the master's program is B.A.(Honours), with at least high honours standing, in one of the disciplines represented in the Institute. Prospective applicants without such qualifications may be considered for admission if they have both a strong academic record and relevant work experience.

Program Requirements

The Master of Arts in Political Economy is a 5.0 credit program, one of which may be at the 4000- (honours undergraduate) level. Each candidate, in consultation with the Institute, must select and follow one of two optional patterns:

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M.A. Political Economy - Thesis option (5.0 credits)

1. 1.0 credit in:	1.0
PECO 5000 [0.5]	Theories of Political Economy
PECO 5001 [0.5]	The Methodology of Political Economy
2. 2.0 credits in thesis (and an oral examination of the thesis)	2.0
3. 2.0 credits in approved graduate level electives (see Selection of Courses, below)¹	2.0
Total Credits	5.0

M.A. Political Economy - Research essay option (5.0 credits)

1. 1.0 credit in:	1.0
PECO 5000 [0.5]	Theories of Political Economy

PECO 5001 [0.5]	The Methodology of Political Economy	
2. 1.0 credit in research essay		1.0
3. 3.0 credits in approved graduate level electives (see Selection of Courses, below)¹		3.0
Total Credits		5.0

¹ Up to one (1.0) credit may be taken at the 4000 (honours undergraduate) level.

M.A. Political Economy with Specialization in African Studies (Collaborative Program)

M.A. Political Economy with Specialization in African Studies - Thesis option (5.0 credits)

1. 0.5 credit in:		0.5
AFRI 5000 [0.5]	African Studies as a Discipline: Historical and Current Perspectives	
2. 0.0 credit in:		
AFRI 5800 [0.0]	Scholarly Preparation in African Studies	
3. 1.0 credit in:		1.0
PECO 5000 [0.5]	Theories of Political Economy	
PECO 5001 [0.5]	The Methodology of Political Economy	
4. 2.0 credits in thesis (and an oral examination of the thesis)		2.0
5. 1.5 credits in approved graduate level electives (see Selection of Courses, below)¹		1.5
Total Credits		5.0

M.A. Political Economy with Specialization in African Studies - Research essay option (5.0 credits)

1. 0.5 credit in:		0.5
AFRI 5000 [0.5]	African Studies as a Discipline: Historical and Current Perspectives	
2. 0.0 credit in:		0.0
AFRI 5800 [0.0]	Scholarly Preparation in African Studies	
3. 1.0 credit in:		1.0
PECO 5000 [0.5]	Theories of Political Economy	
PECO 5001 [0.5]	The Methodology of Political Economy	
4. 1.0 credit in research essay		1.0
5. 2.5 credits in approved graduate level electives (see Selection of Courses, below)¹		2.5
Total Credits		5.0

¹ Up to one (1.0) credit may be taken at the 4000 (honours undergraduate) level.

Ph.D. with Specialization in Political Economy (Collaborative Program)

About the Program

The Collaborative Ph.D. with a Specialization in Political Economy is especially designed for doctoral students in participating programs in the Faculties of Arts and Social Science and Public Affairs and Management who wish to enrich their training in a particular discipline or area of study by developing a political economy approach through interdisciplinary dialogue.

The following units participate in the Collaborative Program in Political Economy. Consult those sections for program requirements.

- School of Canadian Studies
- Department of Geography
- Department of History
- Department of Law and Legal Studies
- Department of Political Science
- School of Public Policy and Administration
- School of Social Work
- Department of Sociology and Anthropology

Academic Regulations

See the General Regulations section of this Calendar.

Admission Requirements

Students who are enrolled in a doctoral program in one of the participating units may apply to the Institute of Political Economy for admission to the Collaborative Program. Admission to the program is determined by the Program Committee and will normally take place before the end of the first year of registration in one of the participating doctoral programs.

Admission requirements to the Collaborative Ph.D. with a Specialization in Political Economy are:

- Registration in the Ph.D. program of one of the participating units;
- Registration in, or successful completion of, at least one course or comprehensive field with political economy content. This will normally be a course offered by the student's home unit but could also be selected from appropriate courses in other units. See Selection of Courses for a list of acceptable courses;
- Selection of a thesis topic with political economy content. The Program Committee will determine, in consultation with the supervisor, if the political economy content of the thesis meets the requirements of the Collaborative Program.

Program Requirements

Students enrolled in the Collaborative Program in Political Economy must meet the requirements of their respective home units as well as those of the Collaborative Program. The requirements of the Collaborative Program do not, however, add to the number of credits students are required to accumulate by their home unit and the credit value of the degree remains the same. Consult the pages of the respective academic units for the complete list of specific requirements.

The requirements of the Collaborative Program in Political Economy are:

1. 0.5 credit in PECO 6000 Political Economy: Core Concepts
2. In addition, the following requirement(s) specific to the doctoral programs of the supporting units:
 - Anthropology: a relevant political economy course from the approved list (0.5 credit)

- Canadian Studies: a relevant political economy course from the approved list (0.5 credit) or the comprehensive in the major field of Policy, Economy and Society
- Geography: PECO 6000 replaces GEOG 6003 or GEOG 6004 (0.5 credit), the field seminar The Geography of Societal Change, and students must register in GEOG 6906 [0.0].
- History: HIST 6701 (0.5 credit) Directed Studies - History and Political Economy, or a relevant political economy course from the approved list (0.5 credit). The combination of the two courses will be considered as the second minor field of the student.
- Legal Studies: a relevant political economy course from the approved list (0.5 credit).
- Political Science: a relevant political economy course from the approved list (0.5 credit).
- Public Policy and Administration: a relevant political economy course from the approved list (0.5 credit).
- Social Work: a relevant political economy course from the approved list (0.5 credit).
- Sociology: a relevant political economy course from the approved list (0.5 credit) or part of comprehensive preparation in the sub-field of political economy.

3. Submission and successful defence of a doctoral thesis on a political economy topic in the participating unit. The proposed topic must be approved by the student's home unit and by the Program Committee. At least one of the student's advisors or members of the examining committee will be selected from among the core faculty for the Collaborative Program.

Selection of Courses

In addition to the graduate courses offered by, or associated with, the Institute, the courses listed below are relevant to students of political economy and would, with the prior approval of the Institute, be used to design a coherent and internally complementary set of courses to fulfill degree requirements. The list is not exclusive and is subject to change. Moreover, students in the Master's program may select 1.0 credit in political economy that is offered at the 4000-level.

Note: the number of spaces in graduate courses offered by other departments may be limited, and registration may be conditional upon obtaining the prior approval of the department concerned. It is the student's responsibility to ensure that permission is obtained from the appropriate department prior to registering in any of the following courses.

The Institute expects to attract high quality graduate students who will be likely to continue to a second post-graduate degree. Master's students will be directed to consult with the department where they might wish to pursue doctoral studies so that they may select courses that will prepare them for this next stage.

Anthropology

ANTH 5106 [0.5]	North American Indigenous Peoples
ANTH 5107 [0.5]	Issues in North American Ethnohistory
ANTH 5109 [0.5]	Development, Dependency and Gender
ANTH 5202 [0.5]	The Anthropology of Underdevelopment
ANTH 5208 [0.5]	Anthropology of Indigeneity
ANTH 5210 [0.5]	Special Topics in Indigenous Studies
ANTH 5704 [0.5]	Anthropology of the Body, Health, Illness and Healing
ANTH 5808 [0.5]	Selected Topics in North American Native Studies
ANTH 5809 [0.5]	Selected Topics in the Anthropology of Development and Underdevelopment
Canadian Studies	
CDNS 5101 [0.5]	Indigenous Peoples, Canada and the North
CDNS 5102 [0.5]	Indigenous Politics and Resurgence in Canada
CDNS 5201 [0.5]	Critical Perspectives on Canadian Feminism
CDNS 5202 [0.5]	Gendering Canada: Selected Contemporary Debates
CDNS 5501 [0.5]	Decolonizing Canada: Cultural Politics and Collective Identities
CDNS 5601 [0.5]	Constructing Canada: The Politics of National Identity
Economics	
ECON 5403 [0.5]	Topics in the Theory of Public Economics
ECON 5500 [0.5]	Theory of Economic Development
ECON 5504 [0.5]	Economic Development: Domestic Aspects
ECON 5505 [0.5]	Economic Development: International Aspects
ECON 5507 [0.5]	Environmental Aspects of Economic Development
Geography	
GEOG 5005 [0.5]	Global Environmental Change: Human Implications
GEOG 5400 [0.5]	Territory and Territoriality
GEOG 5500 [0.5]	Special Topics in the Study of Cities and Urbanization
History	
HIST 5508 [1.0]	Seminar in British History
HIST 5509 [1.0]	Seminar on Women and Gender
HIST 5800 [1.0]	International History
International Affairs	
INAF 5007 [0.5]	Theories of Development and Underdevelopment
INAF 5101 [0.5]	The Politics and Institutions of International Trade
INAF 5300 [0.5]	Political Economy of Multinational Enterprises
INAF 5501 [0.5]	Global Political Economy
INAF 5502 [0.5]	State Sovereignty and Globalization

INAF 5601 [0.5]	Social Theory and International Development
Law	
LAWS 4001 [0.5]	Law, Family and Gender
LAWS 4002 [0.5]	Feminist Theories of Law
LAWS 5002 [0.5]	Law and Gender Relations
LAWS 5003 [0.5]	Law, Economy and Society
LAWS 5004 [0.5]	Law, Crime and Social Order
LAWS 5005 [0.5]	Law, State and Politics
LAWS 5006 [0.5]	Historical Perspectives on Law and Society
LAWS 5007 [0.5]	Race, Ethnicity and the Law
LAWS 5200 [0.5]	International Economic Law: Regulation of Trade and Investment
LAWS 5302 [0.5]	Feminism, Law and Social Transformation
LAWS 5306 [0.5]	Police and Capital
Political Science	
PSCI 4009 [0.5]	Quebec Politics
PSCI 4103 [0.5]	The Modern State
PSCI 4104 [0.5]	Theory and Practice of Development in the Global South
PSCI 4105 [0.5]	Selected Problems in Development in the Global South
PSCI 4500 [0.5]	Gender and Globalization
PSCI 4505 [0.5]	Transitions to Democracy
PSCI 4603 [0.5]	Analysis of International Political Economy
PSCI 4604 [0.5]	Selected Problems in International Political Economy
PSCI 5003 [0.5]	Political Parties in Canada
PSCI 5008 [0.5]	The Politics of Climate Change
PSCI 5101 [0.5]	Canadian Federalism
PSCI 5105 [0.5]	Post-Communist Politics in East Central Europe
PSCI 5107 [0.5]	Globalization, Adjustment and Democracy in Africa
PSCI 5202 [0.5]	Development Theory and Issues
PSCI 5501 [0.5]	Selected Issues in Political Economy I
PSCI 5502 [0.5]	Selected Issues in Political Economy II
PSCI 5507 [0.5]	Social Movements and Civil Society in Comparative Perspective
PSCI 5509 [0.5]	Governing in the Global Economy
PSCI 5607 [0.5]	Politics of North America
Public Administration	
PADM 5115 [0.5]	Introduction to State and Society
PADM 5213 [0.5]	Gender and Public Policy
PADM 5220 [0.5]	Regulation and Public Policy
PADM 5224 [0.5]	Aboriginal Policy
PADM 5228 [0.5]	Social Policy
PADM 5702 [0.5]	Policy Seminars
PADM 5811 [0.5]	The International Policy Framework
PADM 5813 [0.5]	The Evolution of World Bank/IMF Policy Conditionality
PADM 5814 [0.5]	Program and Project Management
Social Work	

SOWK 4102 [0.5]	Aboriginal Peoples and Social Policy
SOWK 4103 [0.5]	Practice and Policy in Immigration
SOWK 5102 [0.5]	Political Economy of Health
SOWK 5105 [0.5]	Poverty and Income Security
SOWK 5106 [0.5]	Women and Social Policy
SOWK 5301 [0.5]	Women, Male Violence and Social Change
SOWK 5805 [0.5]	Social Development in the International Context

Sociology

SOCI 5000 [0.5]	Classical Sociological Theory
SOCI 5002 [0.5]	Contemporary Sociological Theory
SOCI 5007 [0.5]	Social Change and Economic Development
SOCI 5204 [0.5]	Consuming Passions: The Regulation of Consumption, Appearance and Sexuality
SOCI 5205 [1.0]	Canadian Society
SOCI 5209 [0.5]	Sociology of Science and Technology
SOCI 5308 [0.5]	Feminist Analyses
SOCI 5400 [0.5]	Political Sociology
SOCI 5404 [0.5]	Race, Ethnicity and Class in Contemporary Societies
SOCI 5405 [0.5]	Power and Stratification
SOCI 5408 [0.5]	Feminism and Materialism
SOCI 5409 [0.5]	The Politics of Social Movements and the State
SOCI 5504 [0.5]	Selected Problems in Political Economy I
SOCI 5607 [0.5]	Contemporary Theories of Crime and Social Regulation
SOCI 5804 [0.5]	Modern Marxist Theory
SOCI 5806 [0.5]	Selected Topics in Sociology

PECO 5000 [0.5 credit]

Theories of Political Economy

A survey of the core concepts and ideas proposed by both the founders and modern practitioners of political economy. Particular attention will be paid to contemporary theorists and classical theorists such as Smith, Ricardo, Marx, Mill, Schumpeter, Keynes, Veblen, and Innis.

PECO 5001 [0.5 credit]

The Methodology of Political Economy

An examination of the methods, procedures, and rules for developing theory and guiding inquiry in political economy research, including topics such as logic of inquiry, conceptualization, research design, dialectics, level of analysis, comparison, evidence and statistics.

PECO 5501 [0.5 credit]

Selected Problems in Political Economy I

Also listed as SOCI 5504, PSCI 5501.

PECO 5502 [0.5 credit]

Selected Problems in Political Economy II

Also listed as SOCI 5505, PSCI 5502.

PECO 5900 [0.5 credit]

Tutorial in Political Economy

Directed readings on selected aspects of political economy, involving preparation of papers as the basis for discussion with the tutor. Offered when no regular course offering meets a candidate's specific needs. Prerequisite(s): permission of the Director.

PECO 5907 [0.5 credit]

Placement in Political Economy

This course offers an opportunity to earn academic credit by engaging in research activities under the supervision of professional researchers in the community. Placement possibilities may be initiated by the student or arranged through community contacts established by the Institute of Political Economy. Course normally to be taken once only. Prerequisite(s): permission of the Director.

PECO 5908 [1.0 credit]

Research Essay

Directly linked to the student's course work, the research essay must be interdisciplinary in approach.

PECO 5909 [2.0 credits]

M.A. Thesis

The thesis is an alternative to the research essay. It must also be interdisciplinary in approach, and requires greater substance and originality than the Research Essay. Normally, a student's thesis committee will be composed of members from more than one discipline.

PECO 6000 [0.5 credit]

Political Economy: Core Concepts

Core concepts in political economy, drawn from classical and contemporary writings. Topics will be selected in consultation with participating units, taking into account the potential number of students, their research interests and those of the participating units.

Summer session: some of the courses listed in this Calendar are offered during the summer. Hours and scheduling for summer session courses will differ significantly from those reported in the fall/winter Calendar. To determine the scheduling and hours for summer session classes, consult the class schedule at central.carleton.ca

Not all courses listed are offered in a given year. For an up-to-date statement of course offerings for the current session and to determine the term of offering, consult the class schedule at central.carleton.ca