Political Science

This section presents the requirements for programs in:

• M.A. Political Science
• M.A. Political Science with Specialization in African Studies
• M.A. Political Science with Specialization in Latin American and Caribbean Studies
• Ph.D. Political Science
• Ph.D. Political Science with Specialization in Political Economy

Program Requirements

M.A. Political Science (5.0 credits)
Details on all program requirements are provided in the departmental Guidelines for M.A. Candidates.

All master's candidates will fulfill a 5.0-credit program requiring departmental approval. A maximum of 1.0 credit may be taken at the 4000-level. The student may choose to take a maximum of 1.0 credit outside the Department of Political Science.

Requirements - Coursework option (5.0 credits)

1. 5.0 credits in approved courses
Total Credits 5.0

Requirements - Research Essay option (5.0 credits)

1. 1.0 credit in:
   PSCI 5908 [1.0]  M.A. Research Essay
2. 4.0 credits in approved courses
Total Credits 5.0

Requirements - Thesis option (5.0 credits)

1. 2.0 credits in:
   PSCI 5909 [2.0]  M.A. Thesis
2. 3.0 credits in approved courses
Total Credits 5.0

M.A. Political Science with Specialization in African Studies (5.0 credits)

Requirements - Coursework option (5.0 credits)

1. 0.5 credit in:
   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. 0.5 credit from:
   PSCI 5107 [0.5]  Globalization, Adjustment and Democracy in Africa
   PSCI 5203 [0.5]  Southern Africa After Apartheid
4. 0.5 credit in course designated as having sufficient African Studies content, approved by both the Graduate Supervisor in Political Science and the Graduate Coordinator of the Institute of African Studies
5. 3.5 credits in approved courses
Total Credits 5.0

Requirements - Research Essay option (5.0 credits)

1. 0.5 credit in:
   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. 0.5 credit from:
   PSCI 5107 [0.5]  Globalization, Adjustment and Democracy in Africa
   PSCI 5203 [0.5]  Southern Africa After Apartheid
4. 0.5 credit in course designated as having sufficient African Studies content, approved by both the Graduate Supervisor in Political Science and the Graduate Coordinator of the Institute of African Studies
5. 1.0 credit in:
   PSCI 5908 [1.0]  M.A. Research Essay
6. 2.5 credits in approved courses
Total Credits 5.0

Requirements - Thesis option (5.0 credits)

1. 0.5 credit in:
   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. 0.5 credit from:
   PSCI 5107 [0.5]  Globalization, Adjustment and Democracy in Africa
   PSCI 5203 [0.5]  Southern Africa After Apartheid
4. 0.5 credit in course designated as having sufficient African Studies content, approved by both the Graduate Supervisor in Political Science and the Graduate Coordinator of the Institute of African Studies
5. 2.0 credits in:
   PSCI 5909 [2.0]  M.A. Thesis
6. 1.5 credits in approved courses
Total Credits 5.0

M.A. Political Science with Specialization in Latin American and Caribbean Studies (5.0 credits)

Requirements - Thesis pathway (5.0 credits)

1. 0.5 credit in:
   LACS 5000 [0.5]  Interdisciplinary Approaches to Latin American and Caribbean Studies
2. 0.0 credit in:
   LACS 5800 [0.0]  Scholarly Preparation in Latin American and Caribbean Studies
3. 1.0 credit in course(s) designated as having sufficient Latin American and Caribbean Studies content, approved by both the Political Science Graduate Supervisor and the Coordinator of Latin American and Caribbean Studies
4. 2.0 credits in:
   PSCI 5909 [2.0]  M.A. Thesis (in the specialization)
5. 1.5 credits in approved courses
Total Credits 5.0
**Requirements - Research essay pathway (5.0 credits)**

1. **0.5 credit in:**
   - LACS 5000 [0.5] Interdisciplinary Approaches to Latin American and Caribbean Studies

2. **0.0 credit in:**
   - LACS 5080 [0.0] Scholarly Preparation in Latin American and Caribbean Studies

3. **1.0 credit in course(s) designated as having sufficient Latin American and Caribbean Studies content, approved by both the Political Science Graduate Supervisor and the Coordinator of Latin American and Caribbean Studies**

4. **1.0 credit in:**
   - PSCI 5908 [1.0] M.A. Research Essay (in the specialization)

5. **2.5 credits in approved courses**

| Total Credits | 5.0 |

**Defences**

In the case of the student choosing a thesis, the thesis will be evaluated by three people: the student's thesis supervisor from the Department, a second reader from the Department, and an internal third reader who is generally from another Carleton Department but may sometimes come from outside the University. A thesis must be defended orally before the three evaluators. No letter grade is assigned, but notations of Pass with Distinction, Satisfactory, and Unsatisfactory are assigned.

In the case of the student choosing a research essay, that essay will be evaluated by two of the Department's faculty members including the supervisor and a second reader, and a letter grade will be assigned. An oral defence of the essay is not required but may be requested by the supervisor or second reader.

**Co-op Option**

A co-op option is available to full-time students in the M.A. program. Students are eligible to apply for co-op after passing or receiving advanced standing for five half credits (2.5 credits), and completing one academic term of full-time studies in the Political Science program. Students admitted to this option must satisfactorily complete two work terms in order to graduate with a co-op designation on their transcripts. These work terms are four months in duration and locate students in government departments or other organizations in order to work at a junior officer level. The coordination of the work terms is done by the University's Co-op office. While on a work term, the Co-op Office will register students in PSCI 5913.

**Washington Center Internship Program**

The Washington Center Internship Program is open to full-time master's students who have completed at least two terms of study at Carleton. Admission is open to students with at least a 9.5 GPA in Political Science graduate courses. Successful completion of the program satisfies the requirements for one term of full-time study (1.5 credits). Students spend one term (fall, winter or summer) in Washington, D.C. They serve four days a week as an intern in Washington, D.C. and also take two seminar courses offered by faculty of The Washington Center. The normal 1.5 credit course load for participants in the program is: PSCI 5904 Washington Center Internship, PSCI 5906 Washington Center Seminar II, PSCI 5906 Washington Center Seminar II. Full information on the program and application forms can be obtained from the Department of Political Science.

**Course Selection**

Within the scope of the regulations, 4000-level undergraduate courses may be taken by M.A. students. Students are also encouraged to look for graduate courses at Carleton in the Departments of Economics, Geography, History, Law, Philosophy, and Sociology and Anthropology; the Schools of Business, Journalism and Communication, Public Administration, and the Norman Paterson School of International Affairs; and in the Institutes of European and Russian Studies, and Political Economy. Students may also look for courses in the Graduate School of Public Policy and International Affairs and the School of Political Science at the University of Ottawa.

All courses selected will be subject to the approval of the Department, on grounds of appropriateness to the program of study and the avoidance of excessive overlap between courses.

**Ph.D. Political Science (5.0 credits)**

Details on all program requirements are provided in the departmental Guidelines for Ph.D. Candidates. The student may choose to take a maximum of 0.5 credit outside the Department of Political Science.

**Requirements:**

1. **2.0 credits in courses at the 6000 level in each of the candidate's two major fields of study. A GPA of 9.0 or higher must be obtained in these courses for students to be allowed to proceed to the comprehensive examinations.**

2. **1.0 credit in:**
   - PSCI 6900 [0.5] Ph.D. Field Examination I
   - PSCI 6905 [0.5] Ph.D. Field Examination II

Field examinations normally take place once per year, in August. At the discretion of the Department, candidates may be required to take an oral examination following the written examination. Full-time students are normally required to complete the comprehensive examinations within 24 months of entering the program.

3. Proficiency in a research skill, as outlined below under Research Skill Requirement

4. **1.0 credit in electives at the graduate level, normally taken during the first or second year of the program, in fields allied to the major topics of the thesis. This credit will normally be fulfilled through regular course work rather than tutorials. A maximum of .5 credits can be fulfilled by tutorials.**

5. **1.0 credit in:**
   - PSCI 6907 [0.5] Thesis Proposal Workshop I
   - PSCI 6908 [0.5] Thesis Proposal Workshop II

6. A public defence of a written dissertation proposal. Full-time students must normally complete the public defence of the proposal, preceded by its formal acceptance by the supervisory committee, in the third year of their doctoral program.

7. **0.0 credits in:**
Ph.D. Political Science
with Specialization in Political Economy (5.0 credits)

Requirements:

1. 2.0 credits in courses at the 6000 level in each of the candidate's two major fields of study

2. 1.0 credit in:

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3. Proficiency in a research skill, as outlined below under Research Skill Requirement

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Research Skill Requirement

Ph.D. candidates must demonstrate the ability to use a research skill appropriate to their program. The research skill requirement will normally be satisfied before the defence of the thesis proposal, and will take one of the following forms:

- An ability to read and translate French or another language appropriate to their course of study; or the ability to speak a language other than English sufficient to conduct interviews in that language. The other language must be one which is incorporated into the final thesis and has the approval and acknowledgement of the supervisor; or
- An approved graduate level social science methods course equivalent to 0.5 credit. This may be any one of the following courses (or an approved alternative):

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Regulations

See the General Regulations section of this Calendar.

All master’s candidates must obtain a B standing or higher (GPA 8.0). One grade of C+ may be allowed.

Admission

The normal requirement for admission to the master’s program is B.A.(Honours) (or the equivalent) in Political Science, with at least high honours standing.

The Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Affairs requires applicants whose native language is not English to be tested for proficiency in English. Applicants to the Political Science graduate program must meet the General Regulations requirements.

It is anticipated that candidates will enter having taken some political theory at the undergraduate level. Those who have not will be required to take PSCI 5310 History of Political Thought. This 0.5 credit counts toward the normal MA program requirements of 5.0 credits.

Honours graduates in fields other than political science will be considered on the basis of their academic background and standing, and will be judged on a case-by-case basis. Those with only minor deficiencies may be required to take certain specified courses, while others whose degrees are less closely related to political science may be required to register in the qualifying year, at the discretion of the Department. Graduates of three-year programs in political science will be required either to complete the fourth year of an honours degree and reapply, or register in the qualifying year, depending on work completed to date and academic standing. The qualifying year is intended only for those students (with at least an 8.0 grade point average) whose universities do not offer an Honours degree or for graduates in other fields who did not major in political science. The qualifying year program is not intended to be a method for improving a student’s undergraduate record. Admission to the qualifying-year program does not imply automatic admission to the master’s program.

Accelerated Pathway

The accelerated pathway in the Department of Political Science is a flexible and individualized plan of graduate study. Students in their final year of a Carleton B.A. Honours degree in Political Science with demonstrated academic excellence and aptitude for research may qualify for this option.
Students in their third year of study in the B.A. Honours degree in Political Science should consult with both the Undergraduate Supervisor and the Graduate Supervisor to determine if the accelerated pathway is appropriate for them and to discuss the selection of courses for their final year of undergraduate studies.

**Accelerated Pathway Requirements**

1. At least 0.5 credit in PSCI courses at the 5000 level with a grade of B+ or higher.
2. Minimum overall CGPA of 10.5.

Students may receive advanced standing with transfer of credit of up to 1.0 credit which can reduce their time to completion.

**Admission**

The Ph.D. program in political science normally will be undertaken on a full-time basis. However, in cases of exceptional merit, the Department may accept a few candidates for the degree on a part-time basis.

The normal requirement for admission to the Ph.D. program is a master's degree (or its equivalent) in political science with high honours standing or better.

It is anticipated that Ph.D. candidates will enter having taken some political theory at the undergraduate level, regardless of their desired field of specialization. Those who have not will be required to take PSCI 5310 History of Political Thought. This 0.5 credit counts toward the normal Ph.D. program requirements of 10.0 credits.

The Faculty of Graduate Studies and Postdoctoral Affairs requires applicants whose native language is not English to be tested for proficiency in English. Applicants to the Political Science graduate program must meet the General Regulations requirements.

Upon entry to the program, each Ph.D. candidate will be assigned a faculty member to advise them on their studies. Students’ programs, including the choice of supervisor and the thesis committee, must be approved by the Department. The thesis supervisor will normally be chosen from among faculty members in the Department of Political Science. Upon approval of the thesis supervisor and the Department, committee members may be chosen from elsewhere within the University.

**Political Science (PSCI) Courses**

**PSCI 5003 [0.5 credit]**

**Political Parties in Canada**

A seminar on political parties and party systems in Canadian federal politics, including an examination of patterns of historical development, party organization and finance, relationships with social movements, and the impact of Canadian federalism.

**PSCI 5006 [0.5 credit]**

**Legislatures and Representation in Canada**

The role of Parliament and of the individual M.P. in terms of policy making, party discipline, and differing conceptions of representation.

Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as PSCI 4006, for which additional credit is precluded.

**PSCI 5008 [0.5 credit]**

**The Politics of Climate Change**

The politics and policy of climate change. Development of the climate change issues, international negotiations and agreements, national response strategies, perspectives on social and technological change, and the Canadian policy approach.

**PSCI 5009 [0.5 credit]**

**Canadian Political Economy**

A seminar on political economy as a traditional and contemporary approach to the study of Canadian politics and the Canadian state. Canada's economic development, social relations (including gender and race relations), and position in the international political economy is explored.

**PSCI 5010 [0.5 credit]**

**Executive Power in Canadian Politics**

Consideration of prime ministers, premiers, cabinet ministers and senior public service leadership in Canadian politics and government.

Also listed as PSCI 4010.

**PSCI 5100 [0.5 credit]**

**Indigenous Politics of North America**

Issues of governance regarding the original peoples of Canada, Mexico and the United States before and since the European invasion, including: movement for restoration of cultural, socio-economic, political, land and self-government rights.

Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as PSCI 4206, for which additional credit is precluded.

**PSCI 5101 [0.5 credit]**

**Canadian Federalism**

A study of the evolution and contemporary operation of the Canadian federal system, noting particularly the specific social, political, economic, and structural features which underlie its operational performance, its resilience in crisis, and its potential for adaptation.

Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as PSCI 4005, for which additional credit is precluded.
PSCI 5103 [0.5 credit]
Canada-EU Relations
Relations between Canada and Europe in the context of European integration, with attention to policy issues affecting the relationship and/or areas of common policy challenges.
Also listed as EURR 5108.
Prerequisite(s): previous course in European integration or permission of the instructor.

PSCI 5105 [0.5 credit]
Post-Communist Politics in East Central Europe
A comparative examination of the emergence of post-communist political systems in East Central Europe.

PSCI 5106 [0.5 credit]
The Politics of Post-Soviet Successor States
A seminar on selected problems of nation-building in Russia, Ukraine, and other Soviet successor states.

PSCI 5107 [0.5 credit]
Globalization, Adjustment and Democracy in Africa
The nature of global pressures in Africa as states go through a “second wind” of political and economic change.
Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as PSCI 4207, for which additional credit is precluded.

PSCI 5109 [0.5 credit]
Comparative Public Policy
A review of approaches to the study of policy, of the impact of political factors on policy, and of the substance of policy choices in such domestic fields as communications, social security, health, industrial and rural development policies in selected countries.

PSCI 5110 [0.5 credit]
Post-Soviet States and Societies
The relationship between social forces and state structures at both the national and local levels in the USSR and the post-soviet states.
Also listed as EURR 5002.
Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as EURR 4002, for which additional credit is precluded.

PSCI 5111 [0.5 credit]
The European Union and its Eastern Neighbours
The EU's European Neighbourhood Policy and Eastern partnership policy, the Russia-EU “strategic partnership”. Policies and reactions of non-EU East European countries toward the EU. The interaction of Member state policies and EU policies. May include attention to historical legacies, cultural factors, public opinion, energy security.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Also listed as EURR 5205, INAF 5807.

PSCI 5112 [0.5 credit]
Russian Domestic Politics
Examination of the evolution of Russian domestic politics and society since the collapse of the Soviet Union. Themes discussed include the transformation of Russia’s political system, changes in the behavior of political elites, the evolution of Russia’s social structure, and federal-regional relations.
Also listed as EURR 5101.

PSCI 5113 [0.5 credit]
Democracy in the European Union
Survey of empirical research and normative theorizing about democracy in the EU. Topics include: European Parliament and other channels for democratic input, patterns of citizen participation, impact of European integration on democracy in EU member states, Euroscepticism, theories of EU democracy.
Also listed as EURR 5113.

PSCI 5114 [0.5 credit]
The Politics of Israel/Palestine
The history and politics of Israel/Palestine. An examination of the interests and identities of Israelis and Palestinians, and the role of external actors and public opinion in shaping regional dynamics.

PSCI 5200 [0.5 credit]
Nationalism
A seminar on the historical and comparative study of nationalism, with emphasis on its role in the promotion of political change.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

PSCI 5201 [0.5 credit]
Politics in Plural Societies
A seminar on politics in multicultural societies and multi-national states, including settler and post-colonial societies. Topics may include: conflict relating to race, religion, language, regionalism, intra-state nationalism, multicultural policies and theories of pluralism.

PSCI 5202 [0.5 credit]
Development Theory and Issues
A seminar on historical and current debates in development theory, including the origins, nature, and critiques of development processes in the Global South.

PSCI 5203 [0.5 credit]
Southern Africa After Apartheid
An exploration of the pathology of apartheid, the reasons for its end, and prospects for democratization and development in southern Africa in the era of globalization.
Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as PSCI 4203, for which additional credit is precluded.
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PSCI 5204 [0.5 credit] Elections
The conduct and meaning of elections in contemporary states. Attention to the connection of elections to concepts of representation, policy mandates, and political parties, and to electoral systems and referenda. Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as PSCI 4204, for which additional credit is precluded.

PSCI 5207 [0.5 credit] International Political Sociology
A seminar exploring classical and contemporary social and political thought in relation to international, transnational, and global practices and institutions. Topics may include borders, capitalism, citizenship, civil society, constitutionalization, empire, governance, power, public spheres, risk, security, sovereignty, and world society.

PSCI 5208 [0.5 credit] Global Social Policy
The seminar explores global initiatives in poverty reduction, inequality, development assistance and internationalization of the provision of social services. The seminar considers theoretical, institutional and policy implications of debates about global justice, policy transfer and global government of social policies.

PSCI 5209 [0.5 credit] Forced Migration and Global Politics
Critical examination of the relationship between different aspects of forced migration and debates within global politics. Topics may include borders, global governance, political agency, sovereignty, security, globalization, gender and public policy. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

PSCI 5210 [0.5 credit] Politics and Popular Culture
A critical examination of the increasingly important intersections of politics and popular culture. Theoretical approaches such as structuralism, semiotics, political economy, feminism, and postmodernism explore such core themes as political power, dissent, globalization, (post)colonialism, gender, race, class, and sexuality in various media.

PSCI 5211 [0.5 credit] Migration, Globalization and Governance
Critical examination of the politics of mobility in a globalizing context. Seminar topics may include migration regimes, securitization of migration, temporary and permanent migration streams and patterns of inclusion and exclusion.

PSCI 5212 [0.5 credit] Advanced International Relations Theory
Close reading and analysis of theoretical research in the academic discipline of International Relations; may include analysis of methodology, normative and critical theory, and key theoretical concepts such as anarchy, sovereignty, power, inequality, coloniality, security, gender.

PSCI 5302 [0.5 credit] Democratic Theories
Analysis of various theories of democracy and community, from classical to modern.

PSCI 5303 [0.5 credit] Governmentality and Politics
Examination of Foucault's concept of governmentality and work which has developed this idea, especially the relevance of governmentality for global political studies. Topics may include: sovereignty, biopolitics, technopolitics, neoliberalism and citizenship. Also listed as SOCI 5407. Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as PSCI 4303, for which additional credit is precluded.

PSCI 5305 [0.5 credit] Political Thought in the Modern Muslim Middle East
Contemporary political thought in the Muslim Middle East. Secular and religious responses to the challenges of modernity. Readings may include writings of Arab, Turkish, and Iranian intellectuals. Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as PSCI 4302, for which additional credit is precluded.

PSCI 5308 [0.5 credit] Concepts of Political Community I
A critical survey of concepts of political community, including the common good, justice, citizenship, statesmanship, democracy, and legitimacy, from ancient, modern, and contemporary political theory. Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as PSCI 4318, for which additional credit is precluded.

PSCI 5309 [0.5 credit] Concepts of Political Community II
A continued critical survey of concepts of political community, including the common good, justice, citizenship, statesmanship, democracy, and legitimacy, from ancient, modern, and contemporary political theory. Prerequisite(s): PSCI 5308 or permission of the Department. Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as PSCI 4319, for which additional credit is precluded.

PSCI 5310 [0.5 credit] History of Political Thought
Western political thought from classical times to the nineteenth century: may include the study of Plato, Aristotle, Machiavelli, Hobbes, Locke, Rousseau, Marx and other thinkers.

PSCI 5405 [0.5 credit] Public Administration in Developing Countries
A seminar on the literature and characteristics of development administration; comparison by region, country, and topic.
PSCI 5407 [0.5 credit]
Reproductive Rights Policy in North America
The interaction between social movements, legislatures and courts in formulating reproductive rights policy in Canada, the U.S. and Mexico.
Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as PSCI 4403, for which additional credit is precluded.

PSCI 5410 [0.5 credit]
Postcolonial Theories and Practices
This seminar familiarizes students with different approaches to postcolonial theory, discussing issues like the decolonization of knowledge and development and examining colonial practices of states and responses by indigenous movements.

PSCI 5501 [0.5 credit]
Selected Issues in Political Economy I
A research seminar exploring a selected topic of current research having a political economy perspective, such as power and stratification; dynamics of state action; contrasting views on administration as an instrument of political economy; culture, ideology, and social relations; and the labour process.
Also listed as PECO 5501, SOCI 5404.

PSCI 5502 [0.5 credit]
Selected Issues in Political Economy II
A research seminar exploring a selected topic of current research having a political economy perspective, such as power and stratification; dynamics of state action; contrasting views on administration as an instrument of political economy; culture, ideology, and social relations; and the labour process.
Also listed as PECO 5502, SOCI 5505.

PSCI 5503 [0.5 credit]
Topics in European Politics
A research seminar dealing with a central theme of current research in European politics.
Precludes additional credit for PSCI 5500.

PSCI 5506 [0.5 credit]
Gender and Politics
Selected gender dimensions of politics in a comparative perspective. Topics may include: gendered nature of authority, gender regimes and state forms, feminist accounts of citizenship, representation, power and democracy, women's movements and anti-feminist movements, identity politics, gendered accounts of nationalism and multiculturalism.

PSCI 5509 [0.5 credit]
Governing in the Global Economy
The course examines how national states respond to challenges of governing in an increasingly interdependent global economy. The course will be comparative in its focus, emphasizing advanced industrial societies primarily in western Europe and Canada.

PSCI 5510 [0.5 credit]
Analysis of Canadian Foreign Policy
A research seminar on contemporary Canadian external policies, with emphasis on the analysis of cases and issues, and comparisons with other national actors.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

PSCI 5602 [0.5 credit]
Ethics in International Relations
Historical and contemporary approaches to normative theory and ethics in international relations, including Kantian, Hegelian, Marxist, postmodern and feminist ethics. Issues may include poverty and justice, human rights and humanitarian intervention.

PSCI 5607 [0.5 credit]
Politics of North America
Continentalism in Canadian foreign policy during the twentieth century, charting regional, economic, political, and defence relations in North America.
Precludes additional credit for PSCI 4607 if taken before 2006-07.

PSCI 5608 [0.5 credit]
European Integration and European Security
A seminar focusing on issues related to the formation of supra-national decision-making structures in Europe.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Also listed as EURR 4104/5104.
Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as PSCI 4608, for which additional credit is precluded.

PSCI 5609 [0.5 credit]
Selected Topics in European Integration Studies
A seminar focusing on selected topics related to European integration in the post-World War II period.
Also listed as EURR 5106.

PSCI 5700 [0.5 credit]
Basic Research Methods
A course in applied research design and methodology, with emphasis on empirical research strategies that are amenable to quantification. Master's students who have not completed PSCI 2700 (or its equivalent) with high honours or better standing may be required to take this course.

PSCI 5701 [0.5 credit]
Intermediate Polimetrics for Micro Data
Intermediate research designs and statistical techniques primarily used in analyzing survey data. Selected topics may vary from year to year. Students intending to do research based on micro data are advised to take this course.
Prerequisite(s): PSCI 5700 or permission of the Department;
Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as PSCI 4701, for which additional credit is precluded.
PSCI 5702 [0.5 credit]
Intermediate Research Methods for Applied Political Science
Applied methods for policy, politics and public affairs. Primarily quantitative but may have qualitative elements. Prerequisite(s): PSCI 5700 or permission of the Department. Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as PSCI 4702, for which additional credit is precluded.

PSCI 5704 [0.5 credit]
The Discipline of Political Science
This course familiarizes students with the discipline of Political Science. Students will gain an understanding of the field’s evolution as a precursor to understanding its contemporary configuration, including major debates, main points of contention, and epistemological and methodological divides.

PSCI 5705 [0.5 credit]
Approaches to the Study of Political Theory
This course explores different methodological approaches to the study of texts in political theory. It examines the essential methodological considerations that are involved in designing and conducting a study in political theory.

PSCI 5802 [0.5 credit]
Political Economy of Global Money and Finance
An exploration of the organization of the global monetary and financial system. Issues covered include the relationship between global finance and the state, the politics of world money, and the problems associated with regulating internationally-active financial institutions. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as PSCI 4802, for which additional credit is precluded.

PSCI 5803 [0.5 credit]
Transatlantic Security Issues

PSCI 5805 [0.5 credit]
Foreign Policy Analysis
A research seminar dealing with selected problems in the study of foreign policy formulations and outcomes.

PSCI 5806 [0.5 credit]
Strategic Thought and Issues in International Security
A research seminar on the evolution of classical and contemporary strategic thought, and on current issues in international security.

PSCI 5807 [0.5 credit]
Analysis of International Organizations
A research seminar on process and change in contemporary forms of international organization.

PSCI 5808 [0.5 credit]
International Political Economy
A seminar on the changing international division of labour, and its consequences for world politics. Topics include differing patterns of industrialization, colonial relations, the role of the state, and current issues in international political economy. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity Prerequisite(s): Work at a senior undergraduate level in at least two of the following: international relations, development studies, international trade, or political economy; or permission of the Department.

PSCI 5810 [0.5 credit]
Approaches to Environmental Politics
Theoretical and methodological approaches to research in the field of environmental politics, including but not limited to public policy research. A variety of institutionalist, political economy, political ecology, and post-modern approaches will be examined.

PSCI 5900 [1.0 credit]
Tutorial in a Selected Field
Tutorials or reading courses on selected topics may be arranged with the permission of the Department. Students cannot accumulate more than 1.0 credit in tutorials towards their degree requirements.

PSCI 5901 [0.5 credit]
Tutorial in a Selected Field
Tutorials or reading courses on selected topics may be arranged with the permission of the Department. Students cannot accumulate more than 1.0 credit in tutorials towards their degree requirements.

PSCI 5904 [0.5 credit]
Washington Center Internship
A one-term internship in the NAFTA Leaders Program of The Washington Center, offered in Washington D.C. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity Prerequisite(s): permission of the Department.

PSCI 5905 [0.5 credit]
Washington Center Seminar I
A seminar offered by The Washington Center. Prerequisite(s): permission of the Department.

PSCI 5906 [0.5 credit]
Washington Center Seminar II
A seminar offered by The Washington Center. Prerequisite(s): permission of the Department.

PSCI 5908 [1.0 credit]
M.A. Research Essay
Tutorial for students who write a research essay rather than a thesis. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

PSCI 5909 [2.0 credits]
M.A. Thesis
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
PSCI 5913 [0.0 credit]
Co-operative Work Term
Students may register in the co-op option according to the guidelines listed under Co-op Option in the Calendar of Graduate Studies.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): permission of the Department.

PSCI 5915 [0.5 credit]
Special Topics in Political Science
A seminar on a selected topic in political science, to be determined by faculty, research, and teaching interests.

PSCI 6000 [0.5 credit]
The Political Process in Canada I
An analytical study of the democratic political process, with particular reference to political parties and elections, pressure groups, and political leadership in Canada.

PSCI 6001 [0.5 credit]
The Political Process in Canada II
An analytical study of the democratic political process, with particular reference to political parties and elections, pressure groups, and political leadership in Canada.

PSCI 6105 [0.5 credit]
Comparative Politics I
A research seminar dealing with theories, methods, and problems of comparison.

PSCI 6106 [0.5 credit]
Comparative Politics II
A research seminar dealing with particular themes.

PSCI 6200 [0.5 credit]
Theorizing Gender and Diversity
This course will provide students with the theoretical and methodological approaches necessary to study gender and diversity in the context of politics. The course will include feminist political theories, critical race theory, postcolonial theory, theories from sexuality studies and political economy.

PSCI 6201 [0.5 credit]
Gender and Diversity: Comparative and International Politics
Topics may include: representation and electoral politics; reproductive rights; social policy and welfare regimes; governance, resistance and transition; citizenship and migration; health and environment; security and violence (including sexual violence), and analysis of reproductive, informal and formal labour.

PSCI 6300 [0.5 credit]
Political Theory I
An intensive examination of the major questions in classical, medieval, modern, and contemporary political philosophy. This course is historically comprehensive in scope and thematically oriented in depth.

PSCI 6301 [0.5 credit]
Political Theory II
An intensive examination of the major questions in classical, medieval, modern, and contemporary political philosophy. This course is historically comprehensive in scope and thematically oriented in depth.

PSCI 6407 [0.5 credit]
Public Policy: Theory and Analysis
Introduction to major theoretical approaches in the study and analysis of public policy and to current topics and debates in the field.

PSCI 6408 [0.5 credit]
Public Affairs Management and Analysis
A seminar on theories and practice in the management of public affairs, including the environment and administration of the public sector, public opinion, and public communications.

PSCI 6600 [0.5 credit]
Theory and Research in International Politics I
An examination of the principal problems in contemporary international relations theory and research, emphasizing the state of the field and current directions in it.

PSCI 6601 [0.5 credit]
Theory and Research in International Politics II
An examination of the principal problems in contemporary international relations theory and research, emphasizing the state of the field and current directions in it.

PSCI 6900 [0.5 credit]
Ph.D. Field Examination I
Ph.D. preparation for the major field examination I. The grade to be awarded will be that obtained on the field examination.

PSCI 6905 [0.5 credit]
Ph.D. Field Examination II
Ph.D. preparation for the major field examination II. The grade to be awarded will be that obtained on the field examination.

PSCI 6907 [0.5 credit]
Thesis Proposal Workshop I
A survey of research methods and approaches to research design designed to assist in the preparation of thesis proposals. Coordinated by one instructor, but faculty from other fields will also participate. The grade for this course will be Satisfactory or Unsatisfactory.
Prerequisite(s): permission of the Department.
PSCI 6908 [0.5 credit]
The *Thesis Proposal Workshop II* Student-led workshop focused on the preparation, presentation, and discussion of drafts of students' thesis proposals. The final assignment for the course will be the presentation of a full written draft of the thesis proposal. Graded Satisfactory or Unsatisfactory. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): successful completion of comprehensive examinations or permission of the Department.

PSCI 6909 [0.0 credit]
The *Ph.D. Thesis* Includes: Experiential Learning Activity