



Political Science and International Studies Handbook



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PURPOSE OF THIS HANDBOOK

This handbook provides students with an overview of the program requirements for Political Science and International Studies majors and minors. In this Handbook, students can learn about each program as well as extracurricular activities, student organizations, scholarships, faculty members, courses, and student resources. The appendix includes several important documents, including “checklists” so that students can track their progress through their degree programs.

INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL SCIENCE AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

Political Science and International Studies provide well-rounded, diverse, and intellectually stimulating programs of study. Our department offers BA and BS degrees in Political Science, a BA degree in International Studies, and minors in both Political Science and International Studies. In conjunction with the Departments of Criminal Justice and Marketing and Business Law, we also offer a minor in Legal Studies.

Studying Political Science and International Studies familiarizes students with the political world around them which, in turn, enables them to become informed and active citizens. Pursuing a degree in Political Science and/or International Studies opens the door to a variety of careers in public service, law, non-profit organizations, teaching, journalism, Foreign Service, policy analysis, international business, and lobbying, to name just a few. It also prepares students for post-baccalaureate pursuits such as law school and graduate school.

The Political Science faculty represents a wide range of teaching and research interests, academic specializations, and personal experiences. Each faculty member strives to embody the ideal of a teacher-scholar, in which a passion for excellence in teaching is combined with a desire to contribute to the scholarly literature by pursuing an active research agenda.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Program outcomes for BA and BS degrees in Political Science and International Studies identify the content-knowledge and skills that students will acquire as they earn their degree.

The graduate with a BA or BS degree in Political Science will use the knowledge and skills obtained in the program to:

- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of core concepts, ideologies, and theories in Political Science.
- Investigate theories of law and justice, and individual rights and responsibilities in a democratic system.
- Explain the complexities of politics in an international community.
- Demonstrate knowledge of diverse governmental systems.
- Critically assess contemporary public policy issues.
- Analyze, conduct, and critically assess scholarly research in Political Science.
- Communicate effectively about politics in both written and oral forms.
- Prepare for successful careers in public, private, and non-profit service sector, or post-graduate education.

The graduate with a BA degree in International Studies will use the knowledge and skills acquired in the program to:

- Develop an awareness of how the world's systems are interdependent and how local economic and social patterns have a global impact beyond their effect on individual lives.
- Understand and be able to analyze the critical topics in international affairs and global issues.
- Demonstrate knowledge of various social movements and organizations that have created and are creating goals and values that transcend national cultures and ideologies.
- Communicate program-specific knowledge effectively both verbally and in writing.
- Demonstrate the ability to communicate effectively at the intermediate level in a foreign language.
- Employ the discipline's theories, approaches, and methods in order to examine and understand past, present, and possible future international interactions.
- Develop sensitivity and respect for other cultures and an ability to operate with civility in a complex, diverse and globalized world.

These program outcomes are reviewed on a regular basis by faculty members and, when necessary, are modified and aligned with specific courses in the curriculum. All classes in the Political Science curriculum emphasize at least one of the program outcomes listed above. See the "Program Outcomes Matrix" in the Appendix for a detailed list of outcomes emphasized in each course.

ASSESSMENT AND PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Students are assessed at multiple points as they progress through the Political Science and International Studies programs. The formative, mid-point, and summative assessment points are reviewed by faculty on an annual basis to ensure the integrity of each program. Details about the assessment instruments will be provided in the syllabus for the relevant course.

Political Science majors are assessed at two points:

- Formative assessment is done in POLS 3560: Research Methods in Political Science, a required class that should be taken in the third year (i.e., when a student has junior standing).
- Summative assessment is measured in POLS 4601: Senior Seminar in Political Science, a required class for all seniors in the fall semester.

International Studies majors are assessed at three points:

- Formative assessment is done in IS 1000: Introduction to International Studies, a required course that students are encouraged to take in their freshman year.
- Mid-point assessment is taken in SOC 3885: Globalization and the Future, a required course that students are encouraged to take in their sophomore or junior year.
- Summative assessment is measured in IS 4950: Senior Seminar in International Studies, a required class for all seniors in the fall semester.

SCHEDULING & ACADEMIC PLANNING

UCM uses a “split model” form of Academic Advisement. As students begin their degree programs, they will work with the Advising Center for the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences (CAHSS), located in Martin 124. To register for courses beyond the initial 45 hours, a student must see a CAHSS advisor who will assign the student a faculty member in Political Science or International Studies for further advising. The student must see this assigned faculty advisor in order to be cleared for enrollment for their fifth semester. Students who have completed 75 hours will be required to meet with their advisor before they enroll in any further course work so as to ensure that students have met the correct requirements for graduation.

To help with scheduling courses, this manual provides students with several forms that will be useful (see the Appendix). These forms will help students track their progress and plan when to take required classes as well as various electives to fill in their “area concentration.”

In general, any member of the Political Science faculty may serve as a student’s advisor. However, each Professor has been designated as the primary advisor for various groups of students:

- Dr. James Staab: Pre-Law students; Public Law & Political Theory area
- Dr. Robynn Kuhlmann: American Politics area
- Dr. Akis Kalaitzidis: International Relations area
- Dr. Henry Wambuii and Dr. Mike Makara: Comparative Politics area
- Dr. Darlene Budd: International Studies majors and minors
- Dr. Gregory Streich: Probation students; Transfer students; and general POLS advising

STUDENT SUCCESS AND RESOURCES

All students are encouraged to speak with their Professors about how to succeed in their classes at UCM. However, there are additional resources that are also available to ensure student success:

- The Writing Center – provides advice and guidance to all students interested in improving their writing skills. It is located in the James C. Kirkpatrick Library (JCKL), Room 3150.
- The Learning Commons – provides tutoring and advice to all students interested in improving their study skills. It is located in the James C. Kirkpatrick Library (JCKL), Room 3150.
- Pre-Law Advising – Dr. James Staab serves as the Pre-Law Advisor and can help students prepare for the law school experience, including advising about (1) the application process and requirements for law school, (2) the Law School Admission Test (LSAT), (3) the law school curriculum, including specialized areas in the legal field, and (4) which law school is most appropriate for the candidate.

INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

There are two different internship programs available for qualified students to work with an elected official (and, in some cases, other public officials at the local, state, or national level).

- Legislative Internship in Jefferson City:
 - Part-time: The part-time internship is open to all majors (sophomore rank or above) and graduate students. This internship requires the student to be available one day a week to work. Three semester hours of credit is awarded for successful completion of this internship.
 - Full-time: The full-time state government internship allowing qualified students to earn 6 semester hours of credit, a tuition waiver for 6 hours, and a monthly stipend. This internship requires the student to work in Jefferson City from early January until mid-May. It is open to all majors with at least 50 semester hours completed and a minimum 2.5 GPA. Selection is competitive with typically four or five students being awarded full-time internships in the spring.
- Individualized internships are also available. While most interns work in the spring in the Missouri General Assembly, students have received credit for a variety of internship opportunities including, but not limited to, working with a campaign, a not-for-profit organization, a national government agency or government official, a lobbying office, a law office, a judge, a political party, a local or state government office or agency, and an embassy. If the department budget allows, some funding may be provided to students completing national and/or international internships that require travel and housing in a location outside of Missouri.

To apply for one of the two internship programs or to set up an individualized internship, students should see the State Government Internship Coordinator, Dr. Kuhlmann.

POLITICAL SCIENCE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY – Pi Sigma Alpha

Political Science majors and minors are eligible to apply for membership in *Pi Sigma Alpha*, the national honor society for Political Science. The *Zeta Omicron* chapter of *Pi Sigma Alpha* was established at UCM in 1973. Inductions are held at the annual Awards Ceremony and Banquet in the spring. Eligible students must meet strict academic criteria to be eligible for induction:

- Complete a minimum of 10 hours of coursework in Political Science;
- Complete at least one course at the 3000-level or above; and
- Maintain an overall GPA of 3.0 and a Political Science GPA of 3.25

Interested students are encouraged to contact Dr. Henry Wambui or Dr. Gregory Streich.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Political Science and International Studies students have a wide range of extra-curricular activities to get involved in. These activities add “high-impact” learning outside of the traditional classroom setting.

Students for Political Action (SPA)

Students for Political Action is open to any student regardless of major with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better and who has an interest in government and politics and is willing to abide by the provisions of the club's constitution. SPA meets at least once a month. Activities include inviting guest speakers, sponsorship of other programs on campus, fundraising events, field trips and recreational activities. Each year, SPA and the Political Science faculty plan and coordinate a week of programs and events known as Politics and Social Justice Week. Students interested in joining SPA are encouraged to contact Dr. Robynn Kuhlmann or Dr. Michael Makara.

Pre-Law Student Association

Students interested in pursuing law school are encouraged to join the Pre-law Student Association. Members take field trips, sponsor campus events, and meet to discuss issues related to law school. Students interested in joining the Pre-Law Student Association are encouraged to contact Dr. James Staab.

Mock Trial Team

The Mock Trial Team is open to all UCM students. The team prepares and argues hypothetical criminal and civil cases locally, regionally and nationally. Under the guidance of Coach Adam Sommer, the team has enjoyed tremendous successes in recent years, often beating teams from much larger universities. Information on how to join the Mock Trial Team is available at <https://ucmmocktrial.org/>. Or, email Coach Summer at asommer@harrisharrisgilbert.com.

Model United Nations Team

The Model United Nations Team is open to all UCM students. The team competes in regional competitions in St. Louis and Chicago each year. Students interested in joining should contact Dr. Darlene Budd.

Students are also encouraged to get involved with political party-related clubs at UCM. Note: these are not officially sponsored by the Government, International Studies, and Languages Department, and they are open to all UCM students:

- College Democrats: To promote Democratic views and candidates and work to get young people involved in politics through voter registration drives, community service projects, campaigns, social events, informational programs, and the hosting of speakers.
- College Republicans: To strive to get students involved politically by hosting speakers, having discussions, and having fun. Members work on campaigns for local candidates and attend various rallies and conferences throughout the year.

SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

Political Science and International Studies students are eligible to apply for a range of scholarships and awards. These scholarships and awards are given to students at the annual Awards Ceremony and Banquet held every spring. Applications are solicited in January-February of each academic year.

The Robert A. and Edith M. Young Scholarship in Political Science is an endowed scholarship that is offered through the University of Central Missouri Foundation for students pursuing a degree in Political Science. The scholarship honors Robert A. and Edith M. Young, the parents of Professor Emeritus James V. Young, and continues to receive contributions from the Young family. Two to three Young scholarships are awarded per year.

The Walt Hicklin Public Service Scholarship is awarded to one male and one female student with a record of academic excellence and intentions to pursue a career in public service. Students may renew this scholarship provided they maintain a high GPA in the previous academic year. Two Hicklin scholarships are awarded per year, and this scholarship is renewable provided students maintain a specified grade point average.

The Robert E. Kallenbach Scholarship in Political Science is an endowed scholarship that is offered through the University of Central Missouri Foundation for students pursuing a degree in Political Science. The scholarship honors Robert E. Kallenbach, a graduate of Central Missouri State Teachers College who earned a Ph.D. in Political Science at the University of Missouri and became a Professor of Political Science at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. This scholarship is endowed by the Jessamine S. Kallenbach Charitable Trust. Three to four Kallenbach scholarships are awarded per year.

The Helen Louise Campbell Richards Scholarship is an endowed scholarship that is available through the University of Central Missouri Foundation. This scholarship was endowed and established by Robert N. Campbell and his sons Robert T. and Michael J. Campbell to honor Helen Louise Campbell Richards. Every *three years* one of these scholarships is awarded to a Political Science major (next rotation is spring 2020).

Additional Departmental Awards

The Political Science and International Studies programs give additional awards to students who maintain a record of academic excellence and student engagement. These awards are also announced at the annual Awards Banquet:

- Outstanding Senior in Political Science
- Outstanding Senior in International Studies
- Outstanding Non-Traditional Senior in Political Science
- Mock Trial Team Scholarships
- Model UN Club Scholarships
- Achievement Awards in International Studies

ABOUT THE FACULTY

Dr. Shari Garber Bax (bax@ucmo.edu)

Dr. Shari Bax received her B.A. degree from University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee. She received her M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, Tennessee. Her fields of interest are American Government and Politics, Public Administration, and Research Methods. Dr. Bax is the Campus Coordinator for the American Democracy Project, and she works with several student organizations including Alpha Sigma Alpha and Breakers. She is also a faculty advisor for the Sue Shear Fellows to the 21st Century Leadership Academy. In 2010 Dr. Bax won the Governor's Excellence in Teaching Award and in 2008 she won the Meritorious Service Award from the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences. In 2011 Dr. Bax was named Vice Provost for Student Experience and Engagement, and she continues to teach part time in the Political Science Department.

Courses:

POLS 4570: Public Administration
 POLS 4571: Municipal Administration
 POLS 4601: Senior Seminar in Political Science



Dr. Darlene Budd, Program Coordinator for the International Studies program (dbudd@ucmo.edu)

Dr. Budd is the Program Coordinator of the International Studies program and faculty advisor for the Model United Nations student organization. She teaches courses on Asian politics, women and politics, globalization and international studies. Her current research looks at gender mainstreaming efforts and policies at various levels of government. She received her PhD from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

Courses:

IS 1000: Introduction to International Studies
 POLS 1500: Introduction to Politics
 POLS 2520: Comparative Government and Politics
 POLS 3522: Modern Asia
 POLS 3531: The Five Wars of Globalization
 POLS 3553: Women and Politics
 POLS 4532: International Relations of Asia
 POLS 4511: Public Policy
 IS 4950: Senior Seminar in International Studies



Dr. Akis Kalaitzidis (kalaitzidis@ucmo.edu)

Dr. Akis Kalaitzidis received his B.A. from the University of Tennessee – Knoxville in Economics and Political Science, and his M.A. and Ph.D. in Political Science from Temple University. He joined the UCM faculty in 2004. His research interests include the European Union, political economy, nationalism, US foreign policy, and immigration. Dr. Kalaitzidis has authored and edited several books, including *Immigration: A Documentary and Reference Guide* (2008), *Europe's Greece: A Giant in the Making* (2010), *Global Politics in the Dawn of the 21st Century* (2009), *International Relations, Culture and Finance* (2011), and (with Dr. Streich) *US Foreign Policy: A Documentary and Reference Guide* (2011). In 2013, he was the co-recipient of CAHSS Outstanding Scholarly/Creative Activity Award and was selected as a Rotary International Peace Fellow.

Courses:

IS 1000: Introduction to International Studies
 POLS 1510: American Government
 POLS 2530: World Politics
 POLS 3525: Politics in Europe
 POLS 3530: International Organizations
 POLS 4531: American Foreign Policy

**Dr. Robynn Kuhlmann (kuhlmann@ucmo.edu)**

Dr. Kuhlmann earned her B.A. in Political Science from the University of San Francisco, her M.A. in Political Science from California State University – Chico, and Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of New Orleans. Her fields of study are American political institutions and political behavior. Her primary fields of expertise are state and local politics, political parties, and voting and elections. Dr. Kuhlmann published a book, *Show Me Missouri Politics: A Guide the Missouri Constitution* (2016), and is conducting research on the influence of legislative term limits on voter turnout. Dr. Kuhlmann has been featured on NPR's local affiliate radio station, KCUR, as a political pundit examining the 2014 midterm elections. She is also the State Government Internship Coordinator, the college credit coordinator for the Missouri Boys State and Girls State Program, and advisor for Students for Political Action.

Courses:

POLS 1510: American Government
 POLS 2511: State Government
 POLS 2550: Political Parties & Interest Groups
 POLS 3560: Research Methods
 POLS 4552: Legislative Politics
 POLS 4591: Internship in Political Science



Dr. Michael Makara (makara@ucmo.edu)

Dr. Michael Makara is an Assistant Professor of Comparative Politics and International Relations. He received his Ph.D. and M.A. in Political Science from the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs at Syracuse University, and his B.A. from Virginia Tech. Professor Makara's research focuses on politics in authoritarian regimes and civil-military relations, with a regional focus on the Middle East. He is currently working on two projects. The first studies the relationship between political instability and legislative development in Jordan. In doing so, it explores the role that seemingly democratic political institutions play in non-democratic contexts. The second explains why militaries across the Middle East reacted so differently to the Arab Spring protests, focusing specifically on Egypt, Syria, and Yemen. Professor Makara lived in Jordan for two years as a research fellow with both Fulbright and the American Center of Oriental Research (ACOR). Most recently, Dr. Makara won a Faculty Research Grant from the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences that enabled him to conduct research in Jordan during summer 2015.

Courses:

IS 1000: Introduction to International Studies
 POLS 1510: American Government
 POLS 3524: Middle East Politics
 POLS 3526: Oil, Water, and War
 POLS 3527: Security in the 21st Century
 POLS 3560: Research Methods
 POLS 4533: The Israeli-Palestinian Conflict

**Dr. James Staab (staab@ucmo.edu)**

Dr. James Staab received his B.A. from Roanoke College, his J.D. from the University of Richmond, and his Ph.D. from the University of Virginia. His primary field of interest is public law, broadly defined, including American constitutional law, civil rights and liberties, judicial politics, comparative law, and jurisprudence. He also teaches the American Presidency. Dr. Staab has written several articles and book chapters on Supreme Court justices, including Levi Woodbury, Benjamin Cardozo, and Antonin Scalia. He is the author of a critically acclaimed book, *The Political Thought of Justice Antonin Scalia: A Hamiltonian on the Supreme Court* (2006). He is a former member of the Virginia and D.C. bars. Dr. Staab has won the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Distinguished Faculty Award (2009), the Governor's Excellence in Education Award (2012), and the Byler Distinguished Faculty Award (2014).

Courses:

POLS 1510: American Government
 POLS 2580: Public Law and the Judicial Process
 POLS 4555: American Presidency
 POLS 4580: American Constitutional Law
 POLS 4581: Civil Rights and Liberties
 POLS 4583: First Amendment



Dr. Gregory Streich, Department Chair (streich@ucmo.edu)

Dr. Streich received his Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin – Madison. He has published on a wide range of topics such as democratic theory, social capital, justice, and American Exceptionalism. His books include *Justice Beyond “Just Us”: Dilemmas of Time, Place, and Difference in American Politics* (2011), *US Foreign Policy: A Documentary and Reference Guide* (2011, with Dr. Kalaitzidis), and *Urban Social Capital: Civil Society and City Life* (2012). Dr. Streich has won several awards from the College Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences: the Excellence in Teaching Award (2008), the Excellence in Scholarly Research/Creative Activity Award (2011), and the Distinguished Faculty Award (2013). In summer 2014 Dr. Streich was elected Chair of the Department of Government, International Studies, and Languages (GISL), and he remains the Program Coordinator for Political Science. He is Co-Advisor for *Pi Sigma Alpha*.

Courses:

POLS 1510: American Government
 POLS 2540: Survey of Political Theory
 POLS 3541: Contemporary Political Theory
 POLS 3550: Public Opinion and Mass Media
 POLS 3551: Race and Ethnic Politics in the U.S.
 GISL 4244: Comparative Cross-Cultural Cinema



Dr. Henry Wambui (hwambui@ucmo.edu)

Dr. Henry Wambui received his B.A. from the University of Nairobi, Kenya and his M.A. and Ph.D. in International Development from Western Michigan University. His areas of expertise are International Political Economy, State and Civil Society in Developing Countries, and Comparative Politics. Recent research has focused on public policy formulation in the developing countries, with a special focus on the issues surrounding the response to the HIV/AIDS pandemic and the impact on democratization in sub-Saharan Africa. He has published articles in journals such as the *Journal of Third World Studies* and *International Journal of Ecology and Development*. He is the author of *The Politics of HIV/AIDS and Implications for Democracy in Kenya* (2006). Dr. Wambui is Co-Advisor for *Pi Sigma Alpha*.

Courses:

POLS 1500: Introduction to Politics
 POLS 2520: Comparative Government and Politics
 POLS 3521: Latin American Government and Politics
 POLS 3523: Modern Sub-Saharan Africa
 POLS 4520: Principles of International Development



APPENDICES

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Middle Eastern Studies Minor
Global Security Studies Minor
International Justice Minor
Peace Corps Prep Certificate
Course Rotation
Program Outcome Matrix for Political Science

POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR – COURSE REQUIREMENTS

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS*36
 POLS 1500 Introduction to Politics3
 POLS 1510 American Government3
 POLS 2520 Comparative Government & Politics, **OR** POLS 2530 World Politics3
 POLS 2540 Survey of Political Theory3
 POLS 3560 Research Methods.....3
 POLS 4601 Senior Seminar in Political Science3
 Electives in one area listed below9
 Electives from the other three areas listed below**9

<p>AREA 1 American Politics</p> <p>POLS 1244 Workshop in Political Science.....1-3 POLS 2511 State Government3 POLS 2550 Political Parties & Interest Groups3 POLS 3550 Public Opinion & Mass Media3 POLS 3551 Race & Ethnic Politics in the U.S.....3 POLS 4552 Legislative Politics3 POLS 4555 The American Presidency3 POLS 4570 Public Administration3 POLS 4571 Municipal Administration3 POLS 4590 Special Projects in Political Science1-6 POLS 4591 Internship in Political Science1-6 POLS 4592 Problems in National, State or Local Government1-3</p>	<p>AREA 2 Public Law and Theory</p> <p>POLS 2580 Public Law & Judicial Process3 POLS 2581 Trial Advocacy.....3 POLS 3541 Contemporary Political Theory3 POLS 4580 American Constitutional Law.....3 POLS 4581 Civil Rights & Liberties3 POLS 4583 First Amendment3 POLS 4590 Special Projects in Political Science1-6 POLS 4591 Internship in Political Science1-6</p>
<p>AREA 3 Comparative Politics</p> <p>POLS 2520 Comparative Gov. & Politics3 POLS 3521 Latin American Gov. & Politics.....3 POLS 3522 Modern Asia3 POLS 3523 Modern Sub-Saharan Africa.....3 POLS 3524 Middle East Politics.....3 POLS 3525 European Politics3 POLS 3526 Oil, Water, and Security.....3 POLS 3553 Women & Politics3 POLS 4511 Public Policy3 POLS 4533 The Israeli-Palestinian Conflict.....3 POLS 4590 Special Projects in Political Science1-6 POLS 4591 Internship in Political Science1-6</p>	<p>AREA 4 International Relations</p> <p>POLS 2530 World Politics3 POLS 2535 Model United Nations.....3 POLS 3527 Security in the 21st Century.....3 POLS 3530 International Organizations3 POLS 3531: The Five Wars of Globalization.....3 POLS 4520 Prin. of International Development.....3 POLS 4530 International Law.....3 POLS 4531 American Foreign Policy.....3 POLS 4532 International Relations of Asia.....3 POLS 4590 Special Projects in Political Science1-6 POLS 4591 Internship in Political Science1-6</p>

*Students must earn twelve (12) hours of upper level (3000/4000) credit in their major and thirty (30) hours overall. Choose major electives accordingly.

Students must take one class from each of the three (3) areas **not chosen for their area of concentration, excepting POLS 4590, 4591, 4592, and 1244.

CHECKLIST FOR POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR

REQUIRED COURSES (18 hours)

You must complete each of the following classes for a major in Political Science:

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| ____ POLS 1500* Introduction to Political Science | ____ POLS 1510* American Government |
| ____ POLS 2520 Comparative Govt. OR 2530 World Politics | ____ POLS 2540 Survey of Political Theory |
| ____ POLS 3560 Research Methods in Political Science | ____ POLS 4601 Senior Seminar in Political Science |

* In addition to meeting requirements for the major, this course satisfies a requirement of the General Education Program at the University of Central Missouri

ELECTIVES FROM DIFFERENT AREAS OF CONCENTRATION (9 hours)

Students should choose **one** course from each of the areas **not** selected as area of concentration:

- ____ One course from AREA _____, POLS _____: _____
- ____ One course from AREA _____, POLS _____: _____
- ____ One course from AREA _____, POLS _____: _____

COURSES FROM WITHIN CHOSEN AREA OF CONCENTRATION (9 HOURS)

Students should choose **one** area of concentration and complete **three** courses within that area:

- CONCENTRATION = AREA _____
- ____ POLS _____: _____
- ____ POLS _____: _____
- ____ POLS _____: _____

TOTAL HOURS for the major = 36

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*** It is not required for Political Science majors to complete a minor. ***

POLITICAL SCIENCE MINOR REQUIREMENTS AND CHECKLIST

MINOR REQUIREMENTS:21
 POLS 1500 Introduction to Politics3
 POLS 1510 American Government.....3
 POLS 2540 Survey of Political Theory3
 One course from each of the four areas listed on page 16.....12

Required Courses (9 Hours)

You must complete all three of these courses for a minor in Political Science:

_____ POLS 1500*: Introduction to Political Science

_____ POLS 1510*: American Government

_____ POLS 2540: Survey of Political Theory

* In addition to meeting a requirement for the minor, this course satisfies a requirement of the General Education Studies Program at the University of Central Missouri.

Electives (12 Hours)

You must take one class in each of the four areas of concentration:

_____ One course from AREA 1 American Politics. POLS _____ : _____

_____ One course from AREA 2 Public Law & Theory. POLS _____ : _____

_____ One course from AREA 3 Comparative Politics. POLS _____ : _____

_____ One Course from AREA 4 International Relations. POLS _____ : _____

TOTAL HOURS for minor = 21
 9 required
 12 electives

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Suggested Sequence of Courses for POLS Bachelor of Arts degree¹

Freshman Year – Fall Semester

ENGL 1020 Composition I	3 hrs.
POLS 1500 Introduction to Politics	3 hrs.
Modern Language Requirement ²	3 hrs.
General Education	3 hrs.
General Education – Mathematics	3 hrs.
AE 1400 Freshman Seminar*	1 hr.
Semester Total =	16 hrs.

Freshman Year – Spring Semester

ENGL 1030 Composition II or CTE 3060 Tech Writing	3 hrs.
POLS 1510 American Government	3 hrs.
Modern Language Requirement	3 hrs.
General Education	6 hrs.
Semester Total =	15 hrs.

Sophomore Year – Fall Semester

POLS 2540 Survey of Political Theory	3 hrs.
General Education – Literature	3 hrs.
Modern Language Requirement	3 hrs.
General Education	6 hrs.
Semester Total =	15 hrs.

Sophomore Year – Spring Semester

POLS 2520 Comparative Govt., or	
POLS 2530 World Politics	3 hrs.
POLS Electives**	6 hrs.
General Education	6 hrs.
Semester Total =	15 hrs.

Junior Year – Fall Semester

POLS Electives**	3 hrs.
Free Choice Electives	12 hrs.
Semester Total =	15 hrs.

Junior Year – Spring Semester

POLS 3560 Research Methods³	3 hrs.
POLS Area of Emphasis Elective	3 hrs.
Free Choice Electives	9 hrs.
Semester Total =	15 hrs.

Senior Year – Fall Semester

POLS 4601 Seminar in POLS⁴	3 hrs.
POLS Area of Emphasis Elective	3 hrs.
Free Choice Electives	9 hrs.
Semester Total =	15 hrs.

Senior Year – Spring Semester

POLS Area of Emphasis Elective	3 hrs.
Free Choice Electives	12 hrs.
Semester Total =	15 hrs.

*AE 1400 is a free choice elective and is highly recommended for academic success. If AE 1400 is chosen, 1 less hour of free choice electives will be needed.

**For the 12 hours of POLS Electives students must take one class from each of the three areas not chosen for their area of concentration, excepting POLS 1244, 4590, 4591, and 4592. Students must earn 12 hours of upper level credits (3000/4000) in the major and 30 hours of upper level credits overall to meet graduation requirements. Make choices in the major electives accordingly.

To satisfy the General Education Assessment Policy students must take the MAPP test during the semester in which a total of 45 credit hours will be earned. The minimum score of 425 must be achieved by the semester in which 75 credit hours will be earned. Go to UCM Testing Services in MyCentral for more information.

¹ This is a recommended guide. While there is some flexibility in when students can take electives, it is recommended that they take 1000- and 2000-level classes their freshman and sophomore years, and 3000- and 4000-level classes their junior and senior years.

² See the current catalog for B.A. Degree fulfillment options. This plan is based on nine hours of modern language.

³ Required for all POLS majors – POLS 3560 must be taken in the spring semester of the student's junior year.

⁴ Required for all POLS majors – POLS 4601 must be taken in the fall semester of the student's senior year.

Suggested Sequence of Courses for POLS Bachelor of Science degree⁵

Freshman Year – Fall Semester

ENGL 1020 Composition I	3 hrs.
POLS 1500 Introduction to Politics	3 hrs.
General Education	6 hrs.
General Education – Mathematics	3 hrs.
AE 1400 Freshman Seminar*	1 hr.
Semester Total =	16 hrs.

Freshman Year – Spring Semester

ENGL 1030 Composition II or CTE Tech. Writing	3 hrs.
POLS 1510 American Government	3 hrs.
General Education	9 hrs.
Semester Total =	15 hrs.

Sophomore Year – Fall Semester

POLS 2540 Survey of Political Theory	3 hrs.
POLS Elective**	3 hrs.
General Education – Literature	3 hrs.
General Education	6 hrs.
Semester Total =	15 hrs.

Sophomore Year – Spring Semester

POLS 2520 Comparative Govt., or	
POLS 2530 World Politics	3 hrs.
POLS Elective**	3 hrs.
General Education	3 hrs.
Free Choice Electives	6 hrs.
Semester Total =	15 hrs.

Junior Year – Fall Semester

POLS Elective**	3 hrs.
Free Choice Electives	12 hrs.
Semester Total =	15 hrs.

Junior Year – Spring Semester

POLS 3560 Research Methods⁶	3 hrs.
POLS Area of Emphasis Elective	3 hrs.
Free Choice Electives	9 hrs.
Semester Total =	15 hrs.

Senior Year – Fall Semester

POLS 4601 Seminar in POLS⁷	3 hrs.
POLS Area of Emphasis Elective	3 hrs.
Free Choice Electives	9 hrs.
Semester Total =	15 hrs.

Senior Year – Spring Semester

POLS Area of Emphasis Elective	3 hrs.
Free Choice Electives	12 hrs.
Semester Total =	15 hrs.

*AE 1400 is a free choice elective and is highly recommended for academic success. If AE 1400 is chosen, 1 less hour of free choice electives will be needed.

**For the 12 hours of POLS Electives students must take one class from each of the three areas not chosen for their area of concentration, excepting POLS 1244, 4590, 4591, and 4592. Students must earn 12 hours of upper level credits (3000/4000) in the major and 30 hours of upper level credits overall to meet graduation requirements. Make choices in the major electives accordingly.

To satisfy the General Education Assessment Policy students must take the MAPP test during the semester in which a total of 45 credit hours will be earned. The minimum score of 425 must be achieved by the semester in which 75 credit hours will be earned. Go to UCM Testing Services in MyCentral for more information.

⁵ This is a recommended guide. While there is some flexibility in when students can take electives, it is recommended that they take 1000- and 2000-level classes their freshman and sophomore years, and 3000- and 4000-level classes their junior and senior years.

⁶ Required for all POLS majors – POLS 3560 must be taken in the spring semester of the student's junior year.

⁷ Required for all POLS majors – POLS 4601 must be taken in the fall semester of the student's senior year.

LEGAL STUDIES MINOR – COURSE REQUIREMENTS

The Legal Studies Minor is jointly administered by the Departments of Political Science, Criminal Justice, and Marketing and Business Law.

*MINOR REQUIREMENTS21 Hours

Required Courses (9 hours):

**CJ 2300	Criminal Law and Procedure.....3
BLAW 2720	Legal Environment of Business3
POLS 2580	Public Law & Judicial Process3

Electives (12 hours):

Two rules apply when choosing electives for the Legal Studies Minor:

- 1) No more than 6 hours from any one discipline
- 2) At least 6 hours must be upper-level

**ACCT 3130 Introduction To Income Tax.....3	**EDSP 4700 IEP and the Law3
**ACCT 4130 Advanced Income Tax3	FIN 4804 Emp. Benefits & Ret. Plan3
**ACCT 4136 Estate Planning3	HM 4840 Legal Aspects of Hotel & Res. Mgt.....3
AE 1240 LSAT Test Preparation.....1	INDM 4015 Legal Aspects of Industry3
AVIA 4090 Aviation Law3	PE 4740 Legal Liability in Fitness/Wellness, Phys. Ed., Recreation, & Sports Settings.....3
BLAW2750 Legal & Ethical Decision Making in the Workplace3	PHIL 1400 Deductive Logic3
**BLAW 3721 Law Of Business Transaction.....3	PHIL 1410 Critical Thinking3
**BLAW 4740 Employment Law3	PHIL 2300 Ethics3
COMM 2340 Argumentation & Debate.....3	POLS 4530 International Law3
**COMM 4250 The Law & Digital Media3	POLS 4580 American Constitutional Law3
**CJ 3310 Law of Corr. & Prisoners Rights.....3	POLS 4581 Civil Rights and Liberties.....3
CJ 3398 International Human Rights & CJ.....3	POLS 4582 Trial Advocacy3
CJ 4300 Critique Crim. Law and Crim. Proc.....3	POLS 4583 First Amendment3
CJ 4302 Evidence & Courtroom Procedure.....3	**REL 4520 Legal Issues and Religions3
**CJ 4321 Civil Remedies in CJ.....3	**SAFE 4020 Legal Aspects of Safety & Health.... ..3
**CJ 4330 CJ & the Mental Health Systems.....3	**SAFE 4425 Safety & Health Legislation & Standards3
CJ 4352 International Criminal Law3	**SAFE 4430 Workers Comp Legislation.....3
CJ 4390 The Death Penalty3	
CJ 4701 Juvenile Law & Policy.....3	

* For students who have a functional major, the number of credit hours required is 18. These students are still required to complete the 9 hours of required courses and an additional 9 hours of electives. The above-mentioned requirements of no more than 6 hours from any one discipline and 6 hours of upper-level courses still apply.

** This class has a prerequisite; please see specific class listing in the undergraduate catalog for additional requirements.

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES MAJOR – COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Major Requirements.....42 credit hours

IS 1000: Introduction to International Studies.....3
 IS 4950: Senior Seminar.....3
 POLS 2520: Comparative Government & Politics.....3
 POLS 2530: World Politics.....3
 ANTH 4870: Comparative Cultures.....3
 GEOG 2246: Economic Geography.....3
 REL 3010: Religion and Poverty.....3
 SOC 3885: Globalizations & the Future.....3
 Four classes in a Content Specialization (2 upper-level required).....12
 Two classes in a Geographic Specialization.....6

Modern Language Requirement	International Experience Requirement
All International Studies majors must demonstrate proficiency in a modern language other than their native language. This requirement can be satisfied by either: 1) Completing 12 credit hours of one modern language with a grade of “C” or higher in each course; or 2) Testing and receiving an “intermediate” ranking in both the oral and written portions of the ACTFL test in a modern language.	All international studies majors must satisfy one of the following: 1) Participate in a study abroad program approved by UCM; 2) Participate in an international internship approved by the International Studies Director and sponsored by a department at UCM; or 3) Participate in an international service learning program approved by the International Studies Director.

Content Specialization: Select four (4) classes from one Content Area (two must be upper-level)

<p>Content 1: The Global Society & Culture ANTH 3850: Peoples of the World ART 4850: Twentieth Century Art & Architecture CJ 3020: Comparative Justice Systems COMM 4260: Comparative Media Systems ENGL 2270: Fiction by Women Around the World GEOG 4270: World Political Geography HIST 2402: History of the Modern World GISL 4244: Comparative Cross-Cultural Cinema PHIL 3130: Hist. of Phil. II: Enlightenment Thought POLS 3541: Contemporary Political Thought POLS 3553: Women & Politics REL 2310: World Views & Values REL 2510: Gender & Religions SOC 3810: Culture & Society SOC 4850: Work & the Modern Society</p>	<p>Content 2: International Relations, Peace & Justice CJ 2405: International Policing CJ 3398: International Human Rights & CJ CJ 4352: International Criminal Law CJ 4444: Terrorism GEOG 4270: World Political Geography HIST 4325: History of American Diplomacy HIST 4416: Europe in Crisis: 1900-1945 HIST 4418: War & Modern Society HIST 4432: The Holocaust POLS 3526 Oil, Water, and Security POLS 3527 Security in the 21st Century POLS 3530: International Organizations POLS 4531: American Foreign Policy POLS 4532: International Relations of Asia POLS 4533: The Israeli-Palestinian Conflict</p>
<p>Content 3: International Political Economy & Policy Studies AGRI 2130: Global Agriculture COMM 4260: Comparative Media Systems ECON 1011: Principles of Microeconomics ECON 4050: Comparative Economic Systems GEOG 4270: World Political Geography INDM 4010: Current Issues in Industry POLS 3530: International Organizations POLS 4511: Public Policy POLS 4520: Principles of International Development POLS 4531: American Foreign Policy SOC 3845: Social Inequality</p>	<p>Content 4: Human Development & the Physical Environment EASC 3010: Environmental Geology ECON 4050: Comparative Economic Systems GEOG 3275: Climatology GEOG 4265: Urban Geography GEOG 4270: World Political Geography POLS 3530: International Organizations POLS 3553: Women & Politics POLS 4520: Principles of International Development REL 2310: World Views & Values REL 2510: Gender & Religions SOC 2830: Demography SOC 3810: Culture & Society SOC 3845: Social Inequality SOC 3890: Criminology SOC 4810: Urban Sociology</p>

SOC 4850: Work & the Modern Society	
Geographic Specialization: Select two (2) courses from one Geographic Area	
Geographic 1: African Studies GEOG 3310: Geography of Africa GEOG 3314: Geography of North Africa/SW Asia HIST 4471: The African Diaspora HIST 4472: African History HIST 4473: History of South Africa POLS 3523: Modern Sub-Saharan Africa POLS 4520: Principles of International Development REL 2410: Religions of Africa	Geographic 2: Asian Studies GEOG 3314: Geography of North Africa/SW Asia GEOG 4230: Geography of Asia HIST 4461: The Rise of Chinese Civilization HIST 4462: The Rise of Japanese Civilization HIST 4463: Communist China POLS 3522: Modern Asia POLS 4520: Principles of International Development POLS 4532: International Relations of Asia
Geographic 3: European Studies GEOG 3200: Geography of Europe GEOG 4235: Geography of the Former Soviet Union HIST4412: Era of Renaissance & Reformation HIST 4413: The Age of Absolutism & Enlightenment HIST 4414: Age of French Revolution & Napoleon HIST 4415: Revolutionary Europe HIST 4416: Europe in Crisis: 1900-1945 HIST 4423: Modern Britain & the Empire HIST 4431: Modern Germany & the Nazi Experience HIST 4442: Modern Russia the Soviet Union HIST 4451: Imperial Spain 1469-1714 PHIL 3130: History of Phil. II: Enlightenment Thought POLS 3525: Politics in Europe POLS 4520: Principles of International Development	Geographic 4: Latin American Studies GEOG 3225: Geography of Latin America HIST 4451: Imperial Spain 1469-1714 HIST 4452: Modern Latin America HIST 4453: History of Mexico POLS 3521: Latin American Government & Politics POLS 4520: Principles of International Development
Geographic 5: Middle East Studies GEOG 3314: Geography of North Africa/SW Asia HIST 4481: Traditional Middle East HIST 4482: The Modern Middle East POLS 3524: Middle East Politics POLS 4520: Principles of International Development POLS 4533 The Israeli-Palestinian Conflict	

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES MINOR – COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Minor Requirements.....24 credit hours

- One Modern Language (two classes).....6
- IS 1000: Introduction to International Studies.....3
- Two electives from one of the Content Specializations.....6
- Two electives from one of the Geographic Specializations.....6
- One elective from the following courses.....3

ANTH 4870: Comparative Cultures GEOG 2246: Economic Geography POLS 2520: Comparative Government & Politics POLS 2530: World Politics REL 3010: Religion and Poverty SOC 3885: Globalization & the Future

ISP4000: Study Abroad may fulfill 1-12 hours of Content and Geographic electives.

Suggested Sequence of Courses for an International Studies B.A.⁸

Freshman Year – Fall Semester

ENGL 1020 Composition 1	3 hrs.
IS 1000 Intro to International Studies	3 hrs.
Modern Language Requirement*	3 hrs.
General Education	3 hrs.
General Education – Mathematics	3 hrs.
AE 1400 Freshman Seminar**	1 hr.
Semester Total =	16 hrs.

Freshman Year – Spring Semester

ENGL 1030 Composition II or CTE 3060 Tech. Writing	3 hrs.
POLS 2520 Comparative Govt. & Pol	3 hrs.
Modern Language Requirement*	3 hrs.
General Education	6 hrs.
Semester Total =	15 hrs.

Sophomore Year – Fall Semester

POLS 2530 World Politics	3 hrs.
Major Geographic Specialization Course	3 hrs.
Modern Language Requirement*	3 hrs.
General Education	3 hrs.
General Education – Literature	3 hrs.
Semester Total =	15 hrs.

Sophomore Year – Spring Semester

GEOG 2246 Economic Geography	3 hrs.
ANTH 4870 Comparative Cultures	3 hrs.
Major Geographic Specialization Course	3 hrs.
Modern Language Requirement*	3 hrs.
General Education	3 hrs.
Semester Total =	15 hrs.

Junior Year – Fall Semester

REL 3010 Religion and Poverty	3 hrs.
Major Content Specialization Course	6 hrs.
SOC 3885 Globalization & the Future	3 hrs.
Free Choice Elective	3 hrs.
Semester Total =	15 hrs.

Junior Year – Spring Semester

Suggested Overseas Study	
Free Choice Electives	15 hrs.
Semester Total =	15 hrs.

Senior Year – Fall Semester

IS 4950 Senior Seminar	3 hrs.
Major Content Specialization Course	3 hrs.
General Education	6 hrs.
Free Choice Elective	3 hrs.
Semester Total =	15 hrs.

Senior Year – Spring Semester

Major Content Specialization Course	3 hrs.
Free Choice Electives	12 hrs.
Semester Total =	15 hrs.

*Refer to the Bachelor's Degree Requirements section of the Undergraduate Catalog for the B.A. Modern Language requirements. This plan is based on 12 hours of one Modern Language. The number of free choice electives required will depend on modern language placement.

**AE 1400 is a free choice elective and is highly recommended for academic success. If AE 1400 is chosen, 1 less hour of free choice electives will be needed.

⁸ This is a recommended sequence of courses, not a requirement. It is highly recommended that students keep track of required courses, and take all courses in a sequence beginning with lower level (1000- and 2000-level) and then move up to upper level courses (3000- and 4000-level).

Middle Eastern Studies Minor

The Middle Eastern Studies minor gives students an in-depth understanding of the most complex region in the world. Upon completing this 21-credit hour program, students will gain a nuanced understanding of the Middle East's history and politics, as well as an in-depth perspective on the hot-button issues facing the region today. Students will take courses across a variety of social science and humanities disciplines that expose them to a range of topics, including: refugees and migration; conflicts in Syria and Iraq; the Israeli-Palestinian conflict; gender; the role of religion and sectarianism; oil politics; water scarcity; and great power politics in the region. Students can also fulfill the program requirements through completing study abroad opportunities, which provide a firsthand perspective on the region that few people will ever experience. Given the importance of the Middle East in global politics, students who complete this minor will greatly bolster their applications for both employment and graduate school opportunities after graduation.

Middle Eastern Studies Minor

21 Semester Hours

Required Courses:

IS 1000 Introduction to International Studies (GE), <i>or</i>	
POLS 2520 Comparative Govt. & Politics	3 hrs.
POLS 3524 Middle East Politics	3 hrs.
HIST 4481 Traditional Middle East, <i>or</i>	
HIST 4482 Modern Middle East	3 hrs.

Select four (4) electives from the following:

CJ 4444 Terrorism	3 hrs.
GEOG 3314: Geography of North Africa/Southwest Asia	3 hrs.
HIST 4481 Traditional Middle East, <i>or</i>	
HIST 4482 Modern Middle East	3 hrs.
POLS 3526 Oil, Water, and Security	3 hrs.
POLS 4533 The Israeli-Palestinian Conflict	3 hrs.
POLS 4590 Special Projects in Political Science (with Faculty approval)	3 hrs.
REL 2030 Origins of Islam	3 hrs.
REL 2035 Global Islams	3 hrs.

Global Security Studies Minor

National security concerns often top the list of government priorities in the United States. However, in the 21st century it is clear that national security is not simply a matter of combating threats emanating from hostile nation-states. While such conventional security concerns remain important, a complete understanding of global security in the 21st century requires greater attention to threats emerging from pandemics, climate change, human trafficking, terrorism, civil war, migration, ethnic and religious violence, and the spread of weapons of mass destruction (among others). The Global Security Studies minor responds to the evolving global security landscape in the 21st century by giving students a comprehensive understanding of the many factors that shape and create contemporary security concerns. The minor is an interdisciplinary program that explores the causes of contemporary security concerns from the perspective of the social sciences and humanities. Students who complete a Security Studies minor will set themselves apart when applying for both jobs and graduate school programs.

Global Security Studies Minor

20-21 Semester Hours

Required Courses:

IS 1000 Introduction to International Studies (GE), <i>or</i>	
POLS 2530 World Politics	3 hrs.
POLS 3527 Security in the 21 st Century	3 hrs.
POLS 3531 Five Wars of Globalization	3 hrs.

Select four (4) electives from the following:

Two rules apply when choosing electives: 1) no more than 6 hours from any one discipline; and 2) at least 6 hours must be upper-level.

CJ 4444 Terrorism	3 hrs.
CJ 4483 Homeland Security	3 hrs.*
CS 1800 Introduction to Cybersecurity (GE)	3 hrs.
GEOG 4220 Geographic Information Systems I	3 hrs.
GEOG 4221 Geographic Information Systems II	3 hrs.
GEOG 4280 Natural Disasters	3 hrs.
HIST 4323 Our Times: America from 1980 to 2008	3 hrs.
HIST 4416 Europe in Crisis, 1900-1945	3 hrs.
HIST 4432 The Holocaust	3 hrs.
HIST 4483 Third World Revolutions	3 hrs.
MS 1110 Introduction to the Army and Critical Thinking	2 hrs.
MS 2500 History of the US Army	3 hrs.
POLS 3526 Oil, Water, and Security	3 hrs.
POLS 3530 International Organizations	3 hrs.
POLS 4531 American Foreign Policy	3 hrs.
POLS 4530 International Law	3 hrs.
POLS 4553 The Israeli-Palestinian Conflict	3 hrs.

*This course has a prerequisite not listed in the program; see specific class listing in the undergraduate catalog for additional requirements.

International Justice Minor

The International Justice Minor is co-administered by the Political Science and Criminal Justice programs. It is an ideal minor for students interested in international dimensions of law as it pertains to criminal, civil, and human rights law. Students completing the International Justice minor will set themselves apart whether they apply for jobs with federal agencies and international non-governmental organizations or apply to graduate and law school programs.

International Justice Minor

21 Semester Hours

Required Courses:

CJ 3020 Comparative Justice Systems	3 hrs.
CJ 3398 International Human Rights & Criminal Justice	3 hrs.
CJ 4352 International Criminal Law	3 hrs.
POLS 3530 International Organizations	3 hrs.
POLS 4530 International Law	3 hrs.

Select two (2) electives from the following courses:

CJ 2405 International Policing	3 hrs.
CJ 4444 Terrorism	3 hrs.
CJ 4703 International Juvenile Justice	3 hrs.
SOC 3885 Globalization & the Future	3 hrs.
POLS 3522 Modern Asia (GE), <i>or</i>	
POLS 3524 Middle East Politics, <i>or</i>	
POLS 3525 Politics in Europe, <i>or</i>	
POLS 4520 Principles of International Development	3 hrs.
GEOG 3200 Geography of Europe, <i>or</i>	
GEOG 3225 Geography of Latin America, <i>or</i>	
GEOG 3310 Geography of Africa, <i>or</i>	
GEOG 4230 Geography of Asia, <i>or</i>	
GEOG 4235 Geography of the Former Soviet Union, <i>or</i>	
GEOG 3314 Geography of North Africa/Southwest Asia	3 hrs.
Three credit hours may be granted for study in a UCM approved program or study tour in a foreign country which focuses on the justice structures of the country	3 hrs.

Peace Corps Prep Certificate

UCM is proud to partner with the United States Peace Corps to offer the Peace Corps Prep Certificate Program. This exciting partnership was established in spring of 2017, making UCM one of four universities in Missouri to offer the Peace Corps Prep Certificate Program.

While the Peace Corps Prep Certificate program is housed in the GISL Department, it is **open to all undergraduates** at UCM regardless of major. Students who successfully complete the program will receive recognition on their co-curricular transcript and a signed certificate from the Peace Corps.

While certification does not guarantee acceptance into Peace Corps, it does give students a competitive advantage when you apply. Even if applicants do not become a Peace Corps volunteer, employers will see the certificate as concrete evidence of an individual's commitment to service, leadership, and community engagement.

Since its creation in 1961, over 215,000 Peace Corps volunteers – including 154 UCM Alumni – have served in over 140 countries. Currently, there are 5 UCM alumni serving as Peace Corps volunteers.

The Peace Corps Certificate program at UCM emphasizes the following academic, interpersonal, and leadership skills that are established by the U.S. Peace Corps:

- Training and experience in a specific work sector
 - Complete three classes and complete 50 hours of volunteering or work-related experience in one of six areas (Education, Health, Environment, Agriculture, Youth in Development, and Community Economic Development)
- Foreign Language skills:
 - Complete two 2000-level classes in Spanish
 - Complete one 2000-level class in French
- Intercultural competency and the ability to engage thoughtfully across cultures
 - Complete three classes from a selected list of UCM courses
- Professional and Leadership development
 - Develop resume in cooperation with Career Services
 - Complete a Mock Interview at Career Services
 - Pursue at least one significant leadership experience at UCM

Students pursuing the Peace Corps Prep Certificate are also invited to join the International Peace Club, a new student organization designed to promote the ideals of Peace Corps through service and multicultural inclusivity.

For more information about the Peace Corps Certificate program, contact Dr. Gregory Streich at streich@ucmo.edu.

And to learn more about the Peace Corps, visit them at <https://www.peacecorps.gov>.

COURSE ROTATION

Below is a list of the classes taught by the Political Science faculty as well as an indication of how frequently each class is taught and how many sections are offered.

Due to limited faculty and resources, it is not possible for the department to offer every POLS and IS course every semester. Therefore, required courses are offered at least once per academic year, and electives are offered at least once every other year. The list below will help students plan their schedules. If shifts in faculty and resources force the course rotations to change, GISL faculty will make a concerted effort to ensure that students are informed.

Classes	Rotation/frequency	# of sections per semester
IS 1000: Introduction to International Studies *required for IS majors and minors	Every semester	1
IS 4950: Senior Seminar in International Studies *required for IS majors	Every fall	1
GISL 4244: Comparative Cross-Cultural Cinema	Every spring	1
POLS 1500: Introduction to Politics *required for POLS majors and minors	Every semester	1
POLS 1510: American Government *required for POLS majors and minors	Every semester	4-5
POLS 2511: State Government	Every semester	1
POLS 2520: Comparative Government & Politics *this class <i>or</i> POLS 2530 required for POLS majors **required for IS majors	Every semester	1
POLS 2530: World Politics *this class <i>or</i> POLS 2520 required for POLS majors **required for IS majors	Every semester	1
POLS 2535: Model United Nations	Every fall	1
POLS 2540: Survey of Political Theory *required for POLS majors and minors	Every fall	1
POLS 2550: Political Parties & Interest Groups	Fall of even years	1
POLS 2580: Public Law and the Judicial Process	Every spring	1
POLS 2581: Trial Advocacy	Every other fall	1
POLS 3521: Latin American Government and Politics	Every other spring	1
POLS 3522: Modern Asia	Fall of even years	1
POLS 3523: Modern Sub-Saharan Africa	Spring of odd years	1
POLS 3524: Middle East Politics	Fall of odd years	1
POLS 3525: Politics in Europe	Every third semester	1
POLS 3526 Oil, Water, and Security	Spring of odd years	1
POLS 3527 Security in the 21st Century	Fall of even years	1
POLS 3530: International Organizations	Every third semester	1

POLS 3531: Five Wars of Globalization	Every third semester	1
POLS 3541: Contemporary Political Theory	Spring of 2020	1
POLS 3550: Public Opinion and Mass Media	Spring of 2019	1
POLS 3551: Race and Ethnic Politics in the US	Spring of 2018	1
POLS 3553: Women and Politics	Spring of even years	1
POLS 3560: Research Methods in POLS *required for POLS majors	Every spring	1
POLS 4511: Public Policy	Spring of even years	1
POLS 4520: Principles of International Development	Every fall	1
POLS 4530: International Law	Every fall	1
POLS 4531: American Foreign Policy	Every third semester	1
POLS 4532: International Relations of Asia	Fall of odd years	1
POLS 4533 The Israeli-Palestinian Conflict	Spring of even years	1
POLS 4552: Legislative Politics	Spring of odd years	1
POLS 4555: The American Presidency	Fall of even years	1
POLS 4570: Public Administration	Spring of even years	1
POLS 4571: Municipal Administration	Spring of odd years	1
POLS 4580: American Constitutional Law	Fall of odd years	1
POLS 4581: Civil Rights and Liberties	Spring of even years	1
POLS 4583: First Amendment	Spring of odd years	1
POLS 4601: Senior Seminar in POLS *required for POLS majors	Every fall	1
**POLS 4590: Special Topics in Political Science	As needed	As needed
POLS 4591: Internship (instructor's permission required)	Every spring	1
POLS 4592: Problems in National, State, and Local Government (instructor's permission required)	Every spring	1

**POLS 4590 Special Topics courses are occasionally used to offer classes that will eventually become part of the regular course rotation. They are also used for students who wish to do an independent study on a topic not covered in-depth by the existing curriculum, but this must be done with the consultation and approval of the faculty member who will supervise as instructor of record. Three of the four POLS 4590s listed above will be introduced by Dr. Makara in the academic years of 2015-16 and 2016-17.

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Course Matrix: POLS Program Outcomes are aligned with the Following POLS classes

Program Outcomes as listed in 2015-16 Undergraduate Catalog:	Outcome 1: <i>Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of core concepts, ideologies, and theories in Political Science</i>	Outcome 2: <i>Investigate theories of law and justice, and individual rights and responsibilities in a democratic system.</i>	Outcome 3: <i>Explain the complexities of politics in an international community.</i>	Outcome 4: <i>Demonstrate knowledge of diverse governmental systems.</i>	Outcome 5: <i>Critically assess contemporary public policy issues.</i>	Outcome 6: <i>Analyze, conduct, and critically assess scholarly research in Political Science.</i>	Outcome 7: <i>Communicate effectively about politics in both written and oral forms.</i>	Outcome 8: <i>Prepare for successful careers in public, private, and non-profit service sector, or post-graduate education.</i>
POLS 1500: Intro to Politics	X	X		X			X	
POLS 1510: American Government	X	X			X			
POLS 2511: State Government	X				X		X	X
POLS 2520: Comparative Govt & Politics	X		X	X		X		
POLS 2530: World Politics	X		X	X	X			
POLS 2535: Model United Nations			X		X		X	
POLS 2540: Survey of Political Theory	X						X	
POLS 2550: Political Parties & Interest Groups	X					X	X	X
POLS 2580: Public Law & Judicial Process	X	X			X	X	X	X
POLS 2581: Trial Advocacy		X					X	X
POLS 3521: Latin American Gov't & Politics	X		X	X	X	X		X
POLS 3522: Modern Asia	X		X				X	
POLS 3523: Modern Sub-Saharan Africa	X		X	X	X	X		X
POLS 3524: Middle East Politics			X	X		X	X	X
POLS 3525: Politics in Europe	X		X	X	X		X	
POLS 3526: Oil, Water, and Security	X		X				X	
POLS 3527: Security in the 21st Century	X		X				X	
POLS 3530: International Organizations	X		X			X	X	

