POLITICAL SCIENCE

Overview

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Mission Statement

Through a study of government, law, public policy, international relations, and area studies, our mission is to prepare students with knowledge and skills for a number of career possibilities, and to instill civic responsibility and leadership.

Courses

PS-102 International Relations **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): GU, PSIP, SS.SV
The major theoretical concepts and issues of international relations, emphasizing theories, actors, structures, ideologies, and environment of international politics.

PS-103 American National Government **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): SS.SV, SIAR
A survey of United States government, emphasizing the Constitution, functions of political parties, pressure groups, the relationships of citizens to the government, the development of administrative control, and problems unique to each of the three branches of government.

PS-104 Introduction to Policy Debate **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: Fall Term
Course Type(s): PSPA
This course is designed to introduce students to the activity of policy debate competition. Students will develop research and organizational skills, learn how to deliver and refute arguments, and will participate in classroom debate scrimmages in preparation for weekend long off campus debate tournaments against students from other universities.

PS-105 Introduction to Public Policy **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): PO, PSPA, SS.SV
Analysis of policy-making processes in American society, including health care, the environment, education, crime, and employment; application of competing perspective and value orientation to policy areas; impact on specific groups within American society and the global community.

PS-107 Introduction to Social Justice **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): SS.SV
Provides a conceptual and practical basis to understand, interpret, and solve social problems in fair, equitable, and just ways. Also listed as SO-107.

PS-108 Model United Nations **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): RD
International relations is a subfield of political science that examines the nature of power and its distribution around the world. Scholars interested in international relations have developed a variety of simulations to seek greater understanding of state behavior. This course will simulate the policies and procedures of the dominant organs of the United Nations in order to gain a greater understanding of international issues like climate change, terrorism, humanitarian aid, international trade and commerce, and war and peace.

PS-109 Civic Engagement and Leadership **Credits: 1**
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): None
Civic responsibility, engagement, and leadership are encouraged through active student involvement in a community or campus organization. Students will perform twelve hours of public service over the course of the semester working for an organization that addresses a particular issue of public concern. Also listed as SO-109.

PS-198 Special Topics in Political Science (100 Level) **Credits: 1-3**
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): None
An intensive study of a particular subject or problem in political science to be announced prior to registration. May be conducted on either a lecture-discussion or a seminar basis. If a prerequisite is required it will be announced in the course schedule.

PS-199 Reading and Research in Political Science **Credits: 1-3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): None
Guided study of a topic in political science not substantially treated in a regular course, under the direction of a member of the political science faculty. Extensive reading and at least one written report are required. Prior permission of the directing professor and department chair is required to take this course.

PS-202 State and Local Government **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): EN-101 and EN-102.
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): PSAM, WT
A comparative study of state, local, and suburban politics in the United States with special emphasis on New Jersey and the New Jersey-New York metropolitan area.

PS-206 Comparative Politics **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): PSCG, SS.SV
Comparative politics is the sub-field within political science that examines the reasons why countries vary in their domestic political institutions, the political behavior of their leaders and citizens, their levels and rates of development, and their public policies. In this course, we will analyze three main questions that are considered central to research in comparative politics: 1. How do democratic countries vary in their political institutions, and why do these differences matter? 2. Why are some countries democracies and others authoritarian? What are the consequences? 3. Why are some countries wealthy while others remain mired in poverty? The goal is not only to acquaint you with these questions and the debates surrounding them, but also to help you develop the tools to reach your reasoned conclusions about them. To do so, you will need fundamental vocabulary and basic social science research tools. The "vocabulary" part includes: 1. an understanding of what the social sciences are all about; 2. what political scientists mean precisely by the terms they use (e.g., development, democracy, proportional representation, bureaucracy); and 3. the kinds of institutions that countries now have or have had recently.

PS-212 Workshop in NJ's County Pre-Trial Prosecution System: Legal and Political Aspects **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): PSAL, PSAM
Legal and political analysis of New Jersey's pretrial prosecution process. The roles, pressures, attitudes, and strategies of the county prosecution system personnel will be subjects for field research seminar study.

PS-213 Legal Analysis and Writing **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): EN-101 and EN-102.
Term Offered: Fall Term
Course Type(s): PSAL, WT
This course focuses on the fundamentals of legal analysis and writing. Effective legal analysis and writing are key skills required to succeed in law school and the legal profession. Students will understand the role of an attorney, analyzing their client's legal issue, drafting legal writing, and advocating for a legal position. In addition to written briefs and advocacy, students will participate in a series of mock trial simulations to develop their legal analysis and advocacy skills.

PS-221 Early Political Thought **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): EN-101 and EN-102.
Term Offered: Fall Term
Course Type(s): WT
Consideration of the major political theories of the Western world and their relevance to contemporary politics. Semester I: Plato to Marx. Semester II: later nineteenth-and twentieth-century political thinkers, with special emphasis on the behavioral school.

PS-222 Modern Political Thought **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): EN-101 and EN-102.
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): WT
Consideration of the major political theories of the Western world and their relevance to contemporary politics. Semester I: Plato to Marx. Semester II: later nineteenth- and twentieth-century political thinkers, with special emphasis on the behavioral school.

PS-223 Introduction to Global Sustainability **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: Fall Term
Course Type(s): MEBP, SUS
Introduces students to the global, environmental, economic and social foundations of sustainability and the policy and scientific challenges involved with accommodating population growth, development, and resources used while assuring that future generations will have the natural and economic resources to support an enhanced quality of life. An emphasis will be placed on understanding of sustainability principles from multiple perspectives and cross-disciplinary application of sustainable practices. Also listed as BY-221.

PS-224 Theories of Political Economy **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): EN-101 and EN-102.
Course Type(s): WT
Theories of political economy studies the intersection of the state (politics) and markets (economy) to explain policy outcomes (student loans, sin taxes, agricultural subsidies, trade rules, etc.) as well overall economic development of nations. Economists assume a world of rational individuals pursuing their self-interest through markets - i.e., Adam Smith's "invisible hand" - while political scientists assume a world of rational actors seeking to maximize their political power. Combined, political economy presents a world in which political actors are influenced, guided and constrained by markets, budget constraints, and resource scarcity while economic markets reflect political power relationships surrounding property rights, contract enforcement, regulations, and tax rules. Drawing the line between state/public and market/private is a political process yet one with clear economic consequences. Take the example of healthcare. Two possibilities exist - private (market-based) or public (state-based) - and the choice boils down to a political process (i.e., executive, legislative and judicial branches plus interest groups) occurring in a context influenced by market constraints (i.e., costs, budget constraints, scarcity, taxes, and insurance).

PS-230 Transitions to Democracy **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): PSCG, PSIP
Particular countries and the global community at large have a stake in democracy's future. This course surveys the vast literature on the topic of democratic transitions in order to build an intellectual tool set that is appropriate for analyzing the current status of democracy around the world. At the end of this course, students develop an understanding of the root causes (political, economic, and cultural) that encourage and undermine democracy over a range of country case studies.

PS-240 Environmental Ethics **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): PSIP
This course will examine the ethical arguments/repercussions related to the environment. Topics will include the principles involved in combatting environmental problems such as pollution, loss of species and habitats, climate change, environmental justice, food insecurity, and economic and political impacts. As the environment faces a growing number of threats from human activities these core issues are becoming increasingly important. The purpose and importance of this course is to create a learning environment that stresses the understanding of ethics, its development as a major field, and its necessary role in understanding the environment.

PS-250 Fundamentals of Social Science Research **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): TL
An introduction to the different ways in which social scientists study the social world. Designed to develop students' understanding of the major purposes of social research as well as the major types of quantitative and qualitative research designs. Students will learn the research process itself, from conceptualization and measurement to operationalization, sampling, ethics, and the analysis and presentation of their proposed study. As part of the research process, students will use spreadsheet, presentation, and word processing software to build datasets, analyze data, and design and present research. Also listed as SO-250. Sociology majors should register for SO-250. This course is for Political Science majors only or other majors with instructor consent.

PS-274 Global Inequalities **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): BI.EL, GLS, GU, RE, SJS, SUS
A sociological and political look at global inequalities. Explores diverse themes and aspects of a global society, including the forces that are causing and perpetuating global inequalities. It also looks at the social, political, economic, and cultural consequences of those inequalities. Also listed as SO-274.

PS-275 Politics and Policy of South America **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): PSCG, PSPA, RE
Introduces students to the critical political issues and policy challenges in South America. Hemisphere integration continues to accelerate, and political and economic developments in South America increasingly impact the United States. Immigration, trade, drugs, and the environment require hemisphere collaboration among a diverse set of peoples and governments. The course surveys contemporary politics and economics, as well as the basic regional history in a way that invites comparison and the development of regional (Southern Cone, Andean Region) and hemispheric perspectives on the challenges linked to hemispheric integration.

PS-277 Gender and Politics **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): GS, PSAM
The study of gender and how it relates to politics. Includes an analysis of the women's movement through historical literature by and about women. Also includes feminist and gender theories, the mass behavior of women, elite women, and public policy as it relates to women's issues.

PS-278 International Political Economy **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): GLS, PSIP, RE
The role that international institutions, transnational actors, and foreign governments play in the production, distribution, and consumption of resources will be investigated. Since much of international political economy has to do with various thinkers and schools of thought, an appropriate emphasis will be given to some of the important works in the field. For example, we will be analyzing the contributions of Liberal, Marxist, and Statist thinkers and the various perspectives that have been used to analyze the way policies are made, agreements are reached, and resources distributed. Following the establishment of this theoretical framework, we will focus on the growth of regional integration, the role of hegemony in maintaining the stability of international systems, strategies of economic development, and the role of multinational and transnational companies in both the industrial and developing world. In essence, this course is concerned with looking at the relationship between power and wealth and the balance between the state and the market. Also listed as SO-278.

PS-288 Cooperative Education: Political Science **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): PS-102 or PS-103
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): EX2
Through actual work experience, connects classroom learning and real-world practice. Under the guidance of a faculty advisor, students select a cooperative placement. Students will spend ten to fifteen hours per week at their placement. Departmental approval is required to take this course. Repeatable for credit.

PS-289 Political Science Internship **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): PS-102 or PS-103 and the completion of sixty credits
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): EX1
An internship in a political office. The student will keep a daily log and develop a research topic on the basis of the log and experience. By working an eight-hour day from Monday through Friday, the intern will develop firsthand knowledge of a state or local office and will secure an experience rating for future positions after graduation. Departmental approval is required to take this course.

PS-290 Media Law **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): COCCL, COCST, COJPT, COMCS, CORTT, PSAL
How the mass media is constrained and protected by the law and court interpretation. Overview will focus on libel, copyright, obscenity, free press, and other legal/illegal aspects of mass communication. Also listed as CO-290.

PS-298 Special Topics in Political Science (200 Level) **Credits: 1-3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): None
An intensive study of a particular subject or problem in political science to be announced prior to registration. May be conducted on either a lecture-discussion or a seminar basis. If a prerequisite is required it will be announced in the course schedule.

PS-299 Reading and Research in Political Science **Credits: 1-3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): None
Guided study of a topic in political science not substantially treated in a regular course, under the direction of a member of the political science faculty. Extensive reading and at least one written report are required. Prior permission of the directing professor and department chair is required to take this course.

PS-301 Political Parties and Elections **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): PSAM
Historical and functional analysis of United States political parties; the workings of party machinery and practical politics, including national, state, and local party activities, election procedures, third party movements, interest groups, and public opinion.

PS-302 Data Analysis for the Social Sciences **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): PS-250 or SO-250
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): None
Introduces students to techniques used to evaluate social science data; addresses strategies for analyzing qualitative data and presents social science applications of quantitative techniques such cross tabulation, t-test, and regression. Students will learn to apply procedures to test hypotheses. Also listed as SO-302.

PS-304 Public Opinion and Propaganda **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): PS-102 or PS-103
Course Type(s): None
The effects of mass communications upon political opinion, control of news, dissemination agencies, propaganda techniques, and pressure groups; the role of opinion polls and survey techniques.

PS-305 The American Congress **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): PSAM
An analysis of the structure, organization, and functioning of Congress; the relationship between Congress and the executive and judicial branches of government, the importance of the Congressional investigative powers and of quasi-legislative agencies, boards and commissions.

PS-306 The American Presidency **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): EN-101 and EN-102.
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): PSAM, WT
The various theories of the presidency; the president's relationship with Congress, the public, the party structure, the administration, and the vice-president; and the president's powers and responsibilities in foreign and military affairs.

PS-307 The American Judiciary **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): PSAL, PSAM, SJL
Systematic study of the judiciary at the federal and New Jersey level, including an analysis of the jurisdictional limits of courts and the procedural rules for actions in each respective system; an intensive study of institutions of law (legal systems, federal courts, state courts) and interpreters and consumers of law (judges, lawyers, litigants, interest groups) as well as a study of the impact of court decisions on federal and state public policy.

PS-308 Resistance and Revolution: Exploring Social Movements & Social Change **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): SJS
Social movements are sustained efforts through which people act collectively to create or resist changes in political, social, economic, legal, and/or cultural systems, as well as specific institutions. Through a combination of theoretical exploration and case studies, this course is designed to generate an in-depth understanding of social movements of the past and the present. We will address questions such as: What events precipitate movements? How do political, social, economic and cultural forces shape movements and influence their outcomes? How have artistic works and creative tactics been used for pursuing social change? In what ways have social media changed the landscape of social action? How have social scientists researched and participated in movements? The course will also explore the work of organizing, strategizing, recruiting participants, leadership development, and tactical decision-making, in addition to the other forms of "on the ground" work within movements. Also listed as SO-308

PS-309 Political Science Internship Seminar **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): EX5
Practical experience in the operation of a legal, political campaign, or government position to guide the intern's future professional development. The student will keep a journal and produce a report analyzing the intern's experience and/or work environment. Repeatable for credit.

PS-311 Introduction to Constitutional Law **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): PSAL
Examination of United States constitutional law by the case method: the federal government and the relative powers of Congress, the President, and the Supreme Court.

PS-312 Constitutional Law: Civil Rights **Credits: 3**
Course Type(s): PSAL, RE, SJL
Examination of United States constitutional law by the case method: Constitutional, civil, and political liberty with special emphasis on the First, Fifth, and Fourteenth Amendments.

PS-313 The Pre-Trial Prosecution System **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): PSAL, SJL
The pre-trial prosecution process as a political system. The roles, attitudes, and strategies of those authorities who allocate values within the system are examined. Also listed as CJ-313.

PS-315 Urban Politics **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): PS-102 or PS-103
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): PSAM, PSPA, RE
The problems of urban life as they are manifested in the political process, the interaction of cities with other levels of government, and the performance of political functions within the urban environment.

PS-324 American Political Thought **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): PS-102 or PS-103
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): PSAM
The development of political thought in the United States with emphasis on the late nineteenth- and twentieth-century philosophers and statesmen, along with the development of ideology of groups in American politics. Also listed as PL-324.

PS-325 Survey Research Consulting **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): PS-250 or SO-250 or CO-292 or SW-409 or PY-220 or CJ-315 or HLS-315 or HE-290 or NU-355 or permission of the instructor
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): None
Provides students with real-world experience in the application of social science methodology, specifically survey research. The course is designed to strengthen social science research methods skills as well as competencies in professional communication and collaboration. Students, as a class, will work on a small-scale project (e.g. needs assessment, program evaluation, marketing study, etc.) for a "client" - a non-profit organization, government agency, small business, or academic institute - who has agreed to collaborate as a service learning opportunity. The client is not paying for this service and understands the limitations of working with consultants-in-training. However, the course will strive to adhere to the highest standards in both survey research practice and the client-consultant relationship. Also listed as SO-325.

PS-330 Environmental Policy **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): MEBP, PSAM, PSPA, SUS
Introduces social, political, and organizational processes that influence and shape environmental and natural resource policy. Focuses on the political arena and examines how citizens and community groups influence legislative initiatives. Also listed as PS-330.

PS-332 Climate Change Adaptation and Policy **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): MEBP, SUS
Climate Change Adaptation and Policy provides a survey of the global engagements surrounding climate change adaptation and policy that currently affects billions around the globe. The subject matter covered includes understanding how to evaluate the proxies and impacts of climate change, the geography of climate change, and the policies and planning tools that are used in addressing the current and forecasted effects of climate change. The class includes local, regional, national, and international examples within a mixed-methods approach that simultaneously uses a scientific, natural processes understanding that is juxtaposed with policy-based initiatives that deal with the real-life costs and procedures in addressing climate change. Also listed as GO-332.

PS-350 American Political Economy **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): PS-103
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): PO, PSAM, PSPA
Examines the institutional, economic, and political factors that influence the economic decision-making process at all levels of government. Analysis of the theories, processes, principles, and concepts of public budgeting and governmental management of the economy. Also listed as PO-350.

PS-351 Public Administration **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): PS-102 or PS-103
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): PSPA
The administration, organization, management, financial, and personnel problems within the various governmental agencies; problems arising from the interrelations of the three branches of government.

PS-352 Public Personnel Administration **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): PS-102 or PS-103
Course Type(s): PSPA
The nature of the career service in government, effective tools in personnel administration, and the changing role of the Civil Service Commission.

PS-353 Public Budgeting Process **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): PS-102 or PS-103
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): PSPA
A treatment of the budget as an instrument of public policy and marginal control of public programs.

PS-355 Administrative Law and Regulation **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): PS-102 or PS-103
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): PSAL, PSPA, SJL
The federal and state regulatory agencies, commissions, and boards; how they function, the legal procedures they employ, to what extent they are successful in serving and protecting the community, and efforts to effect their reform.

PS-360 Political Economy in the Developing World **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): PSIP, SJS
This course introduces undergraduate students to the core concepts, theories and debates of political economy in the context of developing world countries. The primary unit of analysis will be the national case study (i.e., Brazil or Indonesia) rather than the international system or international institutions (for example, World Bank, IMF or global financial markets.) The aim is to provide the intellectual tool set to evaluate questions and challenges of political and economic development and modernization across a range of national case studies from Latin America, the Caribbean, Africa, the Middle East and Asia. Also listed as SO-360.

PS-361 Comparative European Governments **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): PSCG
A comparative analysis of political processes in Western-European governments, with special emphasis on the methodology of comparative politics.

PS-364 Law and Society **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): SO-101 or PS-102 or PS-103
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): PSAL, SIN, SJL
The evolution of law, social forces influencing law, social impact of law, and law as an instrument of social control and social change. Also listed as SO-364.

PS-365 Sports Law I: Governance and Regulation **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): PSAL
Sports law is a subfield of law and political science that examines a broad mixture of laws that apply to athletes and the sports they play. Many legal scholars argue that the term "sports law" is a misnomer because "sports" represent the convergence of activity and entertainment that is governed by the legal system in its entirety. Accordingly, this course provides an overview of many areas of the law, particularly in the realm of governance and regulations. Through the assigned readings and research projects, students will gain valuable insight as to how "sports" are regulated by the laws of our country but also by the governing bodies and institutions that oversee the formation, activity, and "entertainment" of each sport. This course is related to Sports Law II: The Business of Sports Law in that both courses provide student with in-depth analysis of law as it relates to sports but also how "sports law" impacts society, business and the economy. However, the courses are non-sequential and students can be successful in each course independent from the other as they are both designed to be introductory courses related to governance and regulation, and legal implications in the business of sports, respectively.

PS-366 Sports Law II: The Business of Sports Law **Credits: 3**
Course Type(s): PSAL
Sports law is a subfield of law and political science that examines a broad mixture of laws that apply to athletes and the sports they play. Many legal scholars argue that the term "sports law" is a misnomer because "sports" represent the convergence of activity and entertainment that is governed by the legal system in its entirety. Accordingly, this course provides an overview of many areas of the law, particularly in the realm of governance and regulations. Through the assigned readings and research projects, students will gain valuable insight as to how "sports" are regulated by the laws of our country but also by the governing bodies and institutions that oversee the formation, activity, and "entertainment" of each sport. This course is related to Sports Law II: The Business of Sports Law in that both courses provide student with in-depth analysis of law as it relates to sports but also how "sports law" impacts society, business and the economy. However, the courses are non-sequential and students can be successful in each course independent from the other as they are both designed to be introductory courses related to governance and regulation, and legal implications in the business of sports, respectively.

PS-371 International Service Seminar **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): PS-102
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): PSIP
Students will learn to unite theory and practice by studying theories and policies based on human security, and learning about their applications through service-learning projects. Students will enhance their understanding of human security by volunteering in international community organizations and reflecting on the social, political, and economic factors and policies that affect them. Also listed as SW-371, AN-371, and SO-371.

PS-372 Democracy in Asia and South Asia **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): PSCG, RE
Explores the prospects of democracy in Asia and South Asia with a focus on Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, India, Pakistan, Afghanistan, Nepal, Bangladesh, and Sri Lanka. Provides the historical depth, cultural complexity, and comparative context in which to understand historical legacies and contemporary issues challenging democracy in Asia and South Asia.

PS-373 Comparative Politics in Asia **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): PSCG, RE
Comparative study of the political processes of selected Asian nations with emphasis on problems arising as a result of the transition from traditional societies to modern nation states.

PS-375 Islam and Politics **Credits: 3**
Course Type(s): PSCG, RE
Examination of the interrelationship between Islam as a religion and a way of life and politics in different regions of the world. Following a quick survey of the belief and practice of Islam since its inception, the focus will be placed on the past 100 years, particularly the Muslim responses to the challenges of colonialism, modernization, and globalization and Islam's reassertion in public affairs and society. Concludes with ways for improving Islam-West relations in the hope that these will generate better understanding and peace. Also listed as RS-375.

PS-376 Comparative Politics of the Middle East **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): PSCG, RE
Comparative study of the political processes of selected Middle-Eastern nations with an emphasis on problems arising as a result of the transition from traditional societies to modern nation states.

PS-377 A Comparative Study of Women in the World **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): BI.EL, GS, GU, PSCG
A comparative study of the political, cultural, social, and economic statuses of women in the United States, Western Europe, Russia, Japan, Israel, and Third-World nations. Also listed as GS-377.

PS-378 Ethics in International Relations **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): PSIP
Create a learning environment that stresses the understanding of ethics and its necessary role in the contemporary world. Through an evaluation of peace theories, patterns of diplomacy, and conflict in international relations, the learner will realize that ethical considerations are essential to the human experience.

PS-382 International Organizations **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): PSIP, PSPA
The nature, functions, and development of international organizations with particular emphasis on the United Nations and its role in international relations.

PS-383 Model UN Conference **Credits: 4**
Prerequisite(s): PS-102 or PS-103
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): PSIP
Introduces students to how the United Nations works and will gives them real-life experience in how countries bargain, negotiate, and resolve conflicts. It is a blend of theoretical/historical knowledge and practical/experiential components. The practical/experiential components will include taking part in actual negotiations at a collegiate-level Model United Nations conference. Experiential Education credit will only be given upon completion of the model UN conference. Repeatable for credit at the discretion of the department.

PS-385 American Foreign Policy **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): PSIP, PSPA
A study of American foreign policy with emphasis on the theoretical framework and institutional setting of the contemporary policymaking process.

PS-388 Cooperative Education: Political Science **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): PS-102 or PS-103
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): EX2
Classroom learning and real-world practice are connected through actual work experience. Under the guidance of a faculty advisor, students select a cooperative placement. Students will spend ten to fifteen hours per week at their placement. Repeatable for credit. Departmental approval is required to take this course.

PS-389 Political Science Internship **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): PS-102 or PS-103 and completion of sixty credits
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): EX1
An internship in a political office. The student will keep a daily log and develop a research topic on the basis of the log and experience. By working an eight-hour day from Monday through Friday, the intern will develop firsthand knowledge of a state or local office and will secure an experience rating for future positions after graduation. Departmental approval is required to take this course.

PS-390 Washington Center Internship **Credits: 7-12**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): EX5
This internship allows students in all majors to intern at government agencies, public service organizations, and business associations located in Washington, DC. Under the supervision of Washington Center supervisors and faculty, students gain substantive entry-level professional experience along with academic credit over the course of one semester. In general, students are required to intern in a government agency or public organizations four and a half days per week and attend educational seminars and workshops and participate in professional forums conducted by the Washington Center. In addition, students must complete learning objectives and assignments specified by Monmouth University faculty sponsors. Also listed as CO-390 and SO-390.

PS-393 Washington Center Course **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): None
Students participating in a Washington Center internship are required to enroll in a three credit seminar. A list of available courses is forwarded to all students prior to the beginning of the fall, spring, or summer term. Regular offerings include: politics, professional communication, the fine and performing arts, and economics. Also listed as CO-393 and SO-393. Junior standing and a minimum G.P.A. of 2.50 is required to take this course.

PS-398 Special Topics in Political Science (300 Level) **Credits: 1-3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): None
An intensive study of a particular subject or problem in political science to be announced prior to registration. May be conducted on either a lecture-discussion or a seminar basis. If a prerequisite is required it will be announced in the course schedule.

PS-399 Independent Study in Political Science **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): None
Guided study of a topic in political science not substantially treated in a regular course, under the direction of a member of the political science faculty. Extensive reading and at least one written report are required. Prior permission of the directing professor and department chair is required to take this course.

PS-401 Seminar in Political Science **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): EN-101, EN-102, PS-250, 15 credits in Political Science, and Junior Standing.
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): WT
Review of research methods and significant developments in political science. An individual research project, assigned according to the interest and needs of the student, is required.

PS-431 Public International Law **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): PS-102 or PS-103, EN-101 and EN-102
Course Type(s): GU, PSAL, PSIP, SJL, WT
Detailed examination of the system of rules governing relations among states including in-depth review of the sources of public international law, transnational entities involved in applying international law, domestic application of international law including jurisdiction and extraterritoriality, the validity of state action vis-a-vis public international legal restrictions, and enforcement of international law as to states and individuals.

PS-488 Cooperative Education: Political Science **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): PS-102 or PS-103
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): EX2
Classroom learning and real-world practice are connected through actual work experience. Under the guidance of a faculty advisor, students select a cooperative placement. Students will spend ten to fifteen hours per week at their placement. Repeatable for credit. Departmental approval is required to take this course.

PS-489 Political Science Internship **Credits: 3**
Prerequisite(s): PS-102 or PS-103 and completion of sixty credits
Course Type(s): EX1
An internship in a political office. The student will keep a daily log and develop a research topic on the basis of the log and experience. By working an eight-hour day from Monday through Friday, the intern will develop firsthand knowledge of a state or local office and will secure an experience rating for future positions after graduation. Departmental approval is required to take this course.

PS-498 Special Topics in Political Science (400 Level) **Credits: 1-3**
Term Offered: Spring Term
Course Type(s): None
An intensive study of a particular subject or problem in political science to be announced prior to registration. May be conducted on either a lecture-discussion or a seminar basis. If a prerequisite is required it will be announced in the course schedule.

PS-499 Readings and Research in Political Science **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): None
Guided study of a topic in political science not substantially treated in a regular course, under the direction of a member of the political science faculty. Extensive reading and at least one written report are required. Senior standing; status as a Political Science or History and Political Science major with a 3.00 or higher G.P.A. in major coursework; and prior permission of the directing professor and department chair are required to take this course.

PS-598 Special Topics/Special Projects **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): None
Offered occasionally to match the interest of the students' and the professor teaching the course. The instruction will follow classroom lectures and discussions on the topic. The exact nature of the topic covered in any given semester is indicated on the student's transcript. Permission of the program director is required to take this course.

PS-599 Readings and Research **Credits: 3**
Term Offered: All Terms
Course Type(s): None
An independent research study based on relevant research and the writing of a substantial paper designed and executed by the student in consultation with a supervising professor. The subject matter should cover public policy and related areas. Prior permission of the directing professor and department chair is required to take this course.