HONOURS BSOCSC POLITICAL SCIENCE

Politics is omnipresent in our lives. Political science seeks to describe, analyze, understand and assess the principles and power relations that govern social life. It revolves as much around the structures and institutions that define these relations and principles as around the ideas and practices that drive them. It studies everything that influences political life and institutions (ideologies, groups, social movements, etc.) on a local, regional, national and international scale.

Our programs offer in-depth training in political science and encourage critical reflection on pivotal issues like citizenship, identity, political participation, globalization and development, governance and the state, and ethics and democracy. A discipline open to many theoretical and methodological approaches, political science constantly exchanges and shares with other fields. At the University of Ottawa's School of Political Studies, you build your knowledge in four subfields of political science: political thought, Canadian and Quebec politics, comparative politics, and international relations and global politics.

This program is offered in English and in French.

Program Requirements

Co-operative education is available with this program.

Workshop in Essay Writing

The French immersion stream is available with this program.

Requirements for this program have been modified. Please consult the 2021-2022 calendars (http://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/archives/) for the previous requirements.

3 I Inits

Basic skills

ENG 1100	worksnop in Essay writing	3 Units			
ENG 1120	Selected Topics in Literature and Composition	3 Units			
Total:		6 Units			
Compulsory Courses					
POL 1101	Introduction to Political Science	3 Units			
POL 2101	Introduction to Canadian Politics	3 Units			
POL 2103	Introduction to International Relations and Global Politics	3 Units			
POL 2104	Introduction to Comparative Politics	3 Units			
POL 2107	Introduction to Political Thought	3 Units			
POL 2108	Modern Political Thought I	3 Units			
POL 2156	Foundations of Research in Political Science	3 Units			
POL 3102	Modern Political Thought II	3 Units			
Optional Courses					
3 course units from:		3 Units			
POL 3370	Qualitative Analysis in Political Science				
POL 3371	Quantitative Analysis in Political Science				
3 course units from the Canadian Politics group:					
POL 3125	Urban Politics in Canada				
POL 3128	Quebec Politics				
POL 3135	Politics and Francophonie in Ontario				
POL 3159	Indigenous Politics in Canada				

PC	L 3170	Comparative Provincial Politics	
PC	L 3171	Immigration, Multiculturalism and Citizenship in Canada and Quebec	
PC	L 3172	Political Participation and Mobilization in Canada	
PC	L 3174	Federalism	
PC	L 3178	Canadian Foreign Policy and North American Relations	
PC	L 4134	Law, Politics, and the Constitution in Canada	
PC	L 4135	Francophonie, Diversity, Citizenship	
PC	L 4150	Electoral Systems and Political Parties	
PC	L 4154	Parliamentary Government in Canada	
PC	L 4162	Health Politics and Policy in Canada	
PC	L 4165	Social and Political Thought in Quebec	
PC	L 4166	Social and Political Thought in Canada	
		Selected Topics in Canadian Public Policy	
3 cou	rse unit	s from the Comparative Politics group:	3 Units
		Comparative Politics: Asia	
		Comparative Politics of Development	
PC	L 3144	Comparative Politics: Africa	
		Comparative Politics: Latin America	
		Political Violence	
		Comparative Politics: Middle East and Arab World	
		Comparative Politics: Europe	
		Comparative Politics: United States	
		Comparative Politics: Identity Issues	
		Democratization and Authoritarianism	
		Comparative Politics: China	
		s from the International Relations group:	3 Units
		Migration, Mobility, Borders and Citizenship	
		Gender Studies and Feminist Theories in International Relations	
		The Politics of Security	
		Politics, Social Movements and Globalization	
		International Organizations and Global Governance	
		Contemporary Geopolitics	
		United States Foreign Policy	
		Politics of Foreign Aid	
		Agri-Food Politics	
		International Political Economy	
		International Relations as Political Theory	
		Global Environmental Politics	
		Selected Topics in Critical Security and War Studies	
		Selected Topics in International Political Economy and or Global Governance	
	rse unit		3 Units
		Honours Seminar in Political Thought	
		Honours Seminar in Canadian Politics	
		Honours Seminar in International Relations and Global Politics	
PC	L 4350	Honours Seminar in Comparative Politics	

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Total:	54 Units
or 24 elective course units plus a minor	
54 elective course units	54 Units
Elective courses	
Total:	60 Units
6 optional course units in political science (POL) at the 4000 level	6 Units
15 optional course units in political science (POL)	15 Units
POL 4930 Honours Seminar in International Relations and Global Politics	