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.

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.

Basic skills

ENG 1100 Workshop 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: 3 Units

POL 3125 Urban Politics in Canada
POL 3128 Quebec Politics
POL 3135 Politics and Francophonie in Ontario
POL 3159 Indigenous Politics in Canada

POL 3170 Comparative Provincial Politics
POL 3171 Immigration, Multiculturalism and Citizenship in Canada and Quebec
POL 3172 Political Participation and Mobilization in Canada
POL 3174 Federalism
POL 3178 Canadian Foreign Policy and North American Relations

POL 4134 Law, Politics, and the Constitution in Canada
POL 4135 Francophonie, Diversity, Citizenship
POL 4150 Electoral Systems and Political Parties
POL 4154 Parliamentary Government in Canada
POL 4162 Health Politics and Policy in Canada
POL 4165 Social and Political Thought in Quebec
POL 4166 Social and Political Thought in Canada
POL 4193 Selected Topics in Canadian Public Policy

3 course units from the Comparative Politics group: 3 Units

POL 3114 Comparative Politics: Asia
POL 3115 Comparative Politics of Development
POL 3144 Comparative Politics: Africa
POL 3145 Comparative Politics: Latin America
POL 3162 Political Violence
POL 3164 Comparative Politics: Middle East and Arab World
POL 3180 Comparative Politics: Europe
POL 4141 Comparative Politics: United States
POL 4145 Comparative Politics: Identity Issues
POL 4184 Democratization and Authoritarianism
POL 4378 Comparative Politics: China

3 course units from the International Relations group: 3 Units

POL 3113 Migration, Mobility, Borders and Citizenship
POL 3123 Gender Studies and Feminist Theories in International Relations

POL 3124 The Politics of Security
POL 3177 Politics, Social Movements and Globalization
POL 3179 International Organizations and Global Governance

POL 4126 Contemporary Geopolitics
POL 4127 United States Foreign Policy
POL 4170 Politics of Foreign Aid
POL 4173 Agri-Food Politics
POL 4176 International Political Economy
POL 4188 International Relations as Political Theory
POL 4190 Global Environmental Politics
POL 4191 Selected Topics in Critical Security and War Studies
POL 4192 Selected Topics in International Political Economy and or Global Governance

3 course units from: 3 Units

POL 4310 Honours Seminar in Political Thought
POL 4320 Honours Seminar in Canadian Politics
POL 4330 Honours Seminar in International Relations and Global Politics
POL 4350 Honours Seminar in Comparative Politics

POL 4930  Honours Seminar in International Relations and Global Politics

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**Elective courses**

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**Total:** 54 Units