

# POLITICAL SCIENCE (POL)

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## DEGREES/PROGRAMS OFFERED

**3-Year BA**

**4-Year BA**

**Honours BA**

**Certificate in Public Policy and Administration**

**Minor**

**Master of Public Administration (MPA) – For more information, see *Graduate Studies Academic Calendar*.**

## INTRODUCTION

The study of Political Science examines power and authority at formal and informal levels – global/international, regional, national, and local. The academic discipline examines the material and non-material (historical, social, ideological, and ideational) forces that shape global/international, regional, national, and local politics. The study of Political Science is divided into a number of separate though overlapping fields, such as global/international politics, political thought, law, public policy and administration, Canadian politics, urban and municipal politics.

The Department offers the 3-Year BA, 4-Year BA, and Honours degrees, as well as a Master of Public Administration (MPA) in cooperation with the University of Manitoba. Students pursuing any of these degrees may also graduate with a Certificate in Public Policy and Administration. Students whose Major is not Political Science will find that courses in Political Science complement areas in other academic disciplines, such as Criminal Justice, Economics, History, Philosophy and Sociology, as well as in other inter-disciplinary programs, such as Urban and Inner-City Studies, Indigenous Studies, Human Rights and Global Studies and Women's and Gender Studies.

Political Science graduates enter such professional fields as the public service, the legal profession, business administration, political organizations, and teaching. In addition, the pursuit of graduate studies in Political Science can lead to a university academic career.

## REQUIREMENTS FOR A 3-YEAR BA IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

<b>ADMISSION REQUIREMENT</b>	Students must consult with a member of the Department in planning their course of study.
<b>GRADUATION REQUIREMENT</b>	90 credit hours
<b>RESIDENCE REQUIREMENT</b>	
Degree:	Minimum 30 credit hours
Major:	Minimum 18 credit hours
<b>GENERAL DEGREE REQUIREMENT</b>	
Humanities:	12 credit hours in Humanities
Science:	6 credit hours in Science
Writing:	Minimum 3 credit hours of Academic Writing
Indigenous:	3 credit hours in designated Indigenous requirement courses
Maximum Introductory Courses:	Students may use a maximum of 42 credit hours at the 1000 level. Of these, a maximum of 6 credit hours may be below the 1000 level. As a result, students must take a minimum of 48 credit hours at the 2000-level or above in order to not exceed the maximum number of introductory courses.
Distribution:	Minimum five (5) different subjects
<b>MAJOR REQUIREMENT</b>	
Single Major:	Minimum 30 credit hours/Maximum 48 credit hours
Double Major:	30 credit hours in Political Science and specified number of credit hours in the other department/program
Required courses:	6 credit hours at the 1000 level in Political Science is required, minimum 2.0 GPA Maximum 6 credit hours at the 1000 level in Political Science may be counted for degree credit, minimum 2.0 GPA 12 to 18 credit hours at the 2000 level in Political Science 12 to 24 credit hours at the 3000 level in Political Science
Combined Major:	Minimum 48 credit hours from two different majors with not less than 18 credit hours from each major subject
Required course:	6 credit hours at the 1000 level in Political Science is required, minimum 2.0 GPA Maximum 6 credit hours at the 1000 level in Political Science may be counted for degree credit, minimum 2.0 GPA

Directed Readings: Students are allowed a maximum of 12 credit hours of Directed Readings toward any Political Science degree.

## REQUIREMENTS FOR A 4-YEAR BA IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

<b>ADMISSION REQUIREMENT</b>	Students must consult with the Department Advisor in planning their studies. Students must have completed at least 30 credit hours in Political Science.
<b>GRADUATION REQUIREMENT</b>	120 credit hours
<b>RESIDENCE REQUIREMENT</b>	
Degree:	Minimum 60 credit hours
Major:	Minimum 30 credit hours
<b>GENERAL DEGREE REQUIREMENT</b>	
Humanities:	12 credit hours in Humanities
Science:	6 credit hours in Science
Social Science:	12 credit hours in Social Science
Writing:	Minimum 3 credit hours of Academic Writing
Indigenous:	3 credit hours in designated Indigenous requirement courses
Maximum Introductory Courses:	Students may use a maximum of 42 credit hours at the 1000 level. Of these, a maximum of 6 credit hours may be below the 1000 level. As a result, students must take a minimum of 8 credit hours at the 2000-level or above in order to not exceed the maximum number of introductory courses.
Distribution:	Minimum 3 credit hours from each of 5 different subjects
<b>MAJOR REQUIREMENT</b>	
Single Major:	Minimum 48 credit hours/Maximum 66 credit hours Minimum 6 credit hours each from four of the five Areas of Study
Double Major:	48 credit hours in each Major subject as specified by the departments
Required courses:	6 credit hours at the 1000 level in Political Science is required, minimum 2.0 GPA Maximum 6 credit hours at the 1000 level in Political Science may be counted for degree credit, minimum 2.0 GPA. <b>POL-2400(6)</b> Canadian Politics Minimum 18 credit hours at the 2000 level in Political Science Minimum 24 credit hours at the 3000 level in Political Science Maximum 18 credit hours at the 4000 level in Political Science
Directed Readings:	Students are allowed a maximum of 12 credit hours of Directed Readings toward any Political Science degree.
	Students who have obtained at least a 3.0 GPA in previous Political Science courses may substitute a maximum of 18 credit hours at the 4000 level for 3000-level courses. Students without the required 3.0 GPA must consult the department for permission to take 4000-level courses.
Combined Major:	Minimum 60 credit hours from two different majors with not less than 24 credit hours from each major subject
Required courses:	6 credit hours at the 1000 level in Political Science is required, minimum 2.0 GPA Maximum 6 credit hours at the 1000 level in Political Science may be counted for degree credit, minimum 2.0 GPA. <b>POL-2400(6)</b> Canadian Politics Minimum 3 credit hours from each of four different Areas of Study

## REQUIREMENTS FOR AN HONOURS BA IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

<b>ADMISSION REQUIREMENT</b>	Students must have completed 30 credit hours with a minimum 3.0 GPA in Honours subject courses (cumulative GPA) and 2.5 GPA (degree GPA) in non-Honours courses. Students must consult with and have the approval of the Department Chair or the Chair's designate in planning their course of study.
<b>GRADUATION REQUIREMENT</b>	120 credit hours, with minimum 3.0 GPA in Honours subject courses and 2.5 GPA in Non-Honours subject courses
<b>RESIDENCE REQUIREMENT-</b>	
Degree:	Minimum 60 credit hours

Honours: Minimum 30 credit hours, including minimum 18 credit hours at upper level (3000/4000) of which a minimum of 9 credit hours at 4000 level

### GENERAL DEGREE REQUIREMENT

Humanities: 12 credit hours in Humanities  
Science: 6 credit hours in Science  
Writing: Minimum 3 credit hours of Academic Writing  
Indigenous: 3 credit hours in designated Indigenous requirement courses  
Maximum Introductory Courses: Students may use a maximum of 42 credit hours at the 1000 level. Of these, a maximum of 6 credit hours may be below the 1000 level. As a result, students must take a minimum of 8 credit hours at the 2000-level or above in order to not exceed the maximum number of introductory courses.

### HONOURS REQUIREMENT

Single Honours: Minimum 54 credit hours / Maximum 78 credit hours  
Minimum 24 credit hours in 4000-level Honours courses  
Minimum 6 credit hours from four of the five Areas of Study

Double Honours: Minimum 36 credit hours in each Honours subject  
Minimum 24 credit hours in 4000-level Honours courses in Political Science  
Minimum 6 credit hours each from three of the five Areas of Study

Honours Thesis: Students must seek the Chair's permission to do an Honours thesis and shall defend their final written work before a two-member committee.

Required courses: 6 credit hours at the 1000 level in Political Science is required, minimum 2.0 GPA  
Maximum 6 credit hours at the 1000 level in Political Science may be counted for degree credit, minimum 2.0 GPA.  
**POL-2400(6)** Canadian Politics

Recommended courses: Students planning to proceed to graduate studies are encouraged to take **POL-4225(6)** Scope and Methods in Political Science.

Directed Readings: Students are allowed a maximum of 12 credit hours of Directed Readings toward any Political Science degree.

## REQUIREMENTS FOR A CERTIFICATE IN PUBLIC POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION

The Certificate in Public Policy and Administration is a 30 credit hour program designed to complement a Bachelor's degree at the University of Winnipeg. In order to receive a Certificate, students must complete a concentration of courses in the Public Policy and Administration field as part of their Bachelor's program. Further program details may be obtained by contacting the Chair of the Department of Political Science. Students must apply to graduate with a Certificate. Application forms are available from the Convocation Officer. Please call 204.786.9257 to book an appointment with the Convocation Officer.

**Certificate Requirements** Requirements for the program are as follows:  
Total Credit Hours Required: 30 credit hours  
Required Courses: Students must take 15 credit hours from Category 1 (Required Courses)  
Elective Courses: Students must take 15 credit hours from Category 2 (Elective Courses)

### COURSES

#### Category 1: Required Courses

All Certificate students must take the following courses:

POL-2300(6) Public Administration	Students must take 1 of the following: POL-3400(3) Indigenous Politics in Canada POL-3405(3) Indigenous Politics in Manitoba POL-3411(3) Indigenous People in Canada & The Law POL-3415(3) Indigenous Justice & Canadian Law
POL-2320(3) Government-Business Relations in Canada	
POL-3300(3) Public Policy Process	

#### Category 2: Electives

All Certificate students must take **15 credit hours** from this category.

#### Political Science

Global Politics  
POL-3110(3) International Organization  
POL-3120(3) International Law

Political Theory  
POL-4225(6) Scope and Methods in Political Science

### Law, Public Policy and Administration

POL-3305(3)	Special Topics in Public Policy
POL-3310(3)	Health Care Policy in Canada
POL-3315(3)	The Canadian Legal System
POL-3320(3)	Gender and the Law
POL-4301(3)(6)	Administrative Foundations of the Public Sector
POL-4380(6)	Special Topics Seminar in Public Administration
POL-4385(3)	Special Topics in Public Administration

### Canadian Politics

POL-3400(3)	Indigenous Politics in Canada
POL-3405(3)	Indigenous Politics in Manitoba
POL-3411(3)	Indigenous People in Canada & the Law
POL-3415(3)	Indigenous Justice & Canadian Law
POL-3439(3)	Politics in Manitoba
POL-3450(3)	Sustainability and Environmental Politics

POL-4415(3)(6) Political Economy and the State

### City and Municipal Politics

POL-2500(3)	City Politics
POL-2505(3)	Issues in City Politics
POL-3510(3)	Interest Groups and New Social Movements
POL-4525(3)	Local Public Administration

### **Economics**

ECON-1104(3) Introduction to Economic Theory

### **International Development Studies**

IDS-2110(3) Participatory Local Development

**NOTE:** Where a prerequisite exists for a course, admission of a certificate student will depend on either i) the student having fulfilled that prerequisite or ii) the relevant department waiving the prerequisite.

A course taken to fulfil Category 1 will not count toward the 15 credit hours required under Category 2 (elective courses)

## REQUIREMENTS FOR A MINOR IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

Degree:	Students completing any undergraduate degree program are eligible to complete the Minor.
Minor:	18 credit hours in the Minor subject, with a minimum of 12 credit hours above the 1000-level
Residence Requirement:	Minimum 12 credit hours in the Minor subject
Required courses:	6 credit hours at the 1000 level in Political Science is required, minimum 2.0 GPA Maximum 6 credit hours at the 1000 level in Political Science may be counted for degree credit, minimum GPA 2.0. 12 credit hours in Political Science courses at or above the 2000 level
Restrictions:	Students cannot declare the same subject as a Major and a Minor.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### **Prerequisites**

Except where otherwise indicated, there are no prerequisites for 2000-level and 3000-level courses in the Department of Political Science; however, for 3000-level courses, a previous course in Political Science would be beneficial. Students enrolling in Honours-level courses in the Department of Political Science may need to fulfill specific prerequisites. For example, students wishing to enrol in Seminar in Global Politics POL-4100(3) must first complete POL-2100(3). Note: All 4000-level courses require departmental permission.

### **Changing Degree Programs**

Students in the Political Science Major program, or who wish to enter the Political Science Major Program, may transfer from one degree program to another provided requirements are met.

### **Graduate Studies**

The Political Science Department participates in the Master of Public Administration program offered jointly by the Universities of Manitoba and Winnipeg. Interested students are advised to consult this website for details:

[http://umanitoba.ca/faculties/arts/departments/political\\_studies/master\\_pa/index.html](http://umanitoba.ca/faculties/arts/departments/political_studies/master_pa/index.html).

Students may also consult with the Chair of the MPA program.

Courses available for graduate credit (7000 level - GPOL) are included in the Master of Public Administration section of The University of Winnipeg's *Graduate Academic Calendar*.

### **Education Students**

For Education students pursuing a Teachable Minor in Political Science, the following courses are recommended: POL-1011(6) Introduction to Political Science; POL-2100(6) Global Politics; POL-2400(6) Canadian Politics.

## COURSE LISTINGS

The Political Science Department has organized its courses into five areas of specialization. Courses are listed in numerical sequence by Area of Study. Please use WebAdvisor or the appropriate Timetable on the website to find out which courses will be offered in an upcoming term, or consult with the Political Science Department Chair or Department Assistant.

**INTRODUCTORY**  
POL-1011(6) Introduction to Political Science

POL-1012(3) The Canadian State and Indigenous People  
POL-1014(3) Great Ideas in Political Thought

- POL-1016(3) Global Political Issues  
 POL-1018(3) Issues in Canadian Politics, Government and Democracy  
 POL-1020(3) Why Politics Matters: Themes and Debates

**AREA 1**

**GLOBAL POLITICS**

- POL-2100(6) Global Politics  
 POL-3105(3) Global Political Economy  
 POL-3110(3) International Organization  
 POL-3115(3) Gender and Global Politics  
 POL-3120(3) International Law  
 POL-3121(3) Special Topics in Global Politics  
 POL-3122(3) China in the Contemporary Global Politics  
 POL-3130(3) Canada in World Affairs  
 POL-3135(3) Global Security  
 POL-3136(3) United States Politics  
 POL-4100(3) Seminar in Global Politics  
 POL-4105(3) Seminar in Global Political Economy  
 POL-4106(3) The Political Economy of Rising Non-Western States  
 POL-4110(3) Seminar in International Organization  
 POL-4120(3) Seminar in Canadian Foreign Policy  
 POL-4121(3) Special Topics in Global Politics

**AREA 2**

**POLITICAL THOUGHT**

- POL/PHIL-2200(6) Social and Political Philosophy  
 POL-2220(6) Politics and Film  
 POL-3205(3) Reason and Revolution  
 POL-3210(3) Politics and Art  
 POL-3216(3) Special Topics in Political Theory  
 POL-3220(3) Politics of Post-Modernism  
 POL-3224(3) Research Methods and Project Design  
 POL-3230(3) Canadian Political Thought  
 POL-3233(3) Power & Politics: 16C Political Thought  
 POL-3234(3) Sovereignty & Politics: 17C Political Thought  
 POL-3235(6) Politics of Love and Sex  
 POL-3250(3) Violence, Hegemony and the Rise of Mass Politics  
 POL-3255(3) Liberals, Marxists and Anarchists  
 POL-3260(3) Liberalism and Social Democracy  
 POL-4200(3) Feminist Political Thought  
 POL-4215(6) Seminar in Political Thought  
 POL-4216(3) Special Topics in Political Theory  
 POL-4220(6) Liberty and Community in Modern Canadian Political Thought  
 POL-4225(6) Scope and Methods of Political Science

**AREA 3**

**LAW, PUBLIC POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION**

- POL-2300(6) Public Administration  
 POL-2320(3) Government-Business Relations in Canada  
 POL-3300(3) Public Policy Process  
 POL-3305(3) Special Topics in Public Policy  
 POL-3310(3) Health Care Policy in Canada  
 POL-3315(3) The Canadian Legal System  
 POL-3320(3) Gender and the Law

- POL/WGS/BUS-3321(3) Gender & Organizations  
 POL-4301(3)(6) Administrative Foundations of the Public Sector  
 POL-4380(6) Special Topics Seminar in Public Administration  
 POL-4385(3) Special Topics in Public Administration

**AREA 4**

**CANADIAN POLITICS**

- POL/UIC/IS-2020(3) Colonization and Indigenous Peoples  
 POL-2400(6) Canadian Politics  
 POL-2410(6) Human Rights and Civil Liberties in Canada  
 POL-2415(3) The Politics of Racism  
 POL-3400(3) Indigenous Politics in Canada  
 POL-3405(3) Indigenous Politics in Manitoba  
 POL-3411(3) Indigenous People in Canada & the Law  
 POL-3415(3) Indigenous Justice & Canadian Law  
 POL-3439(3) Politics in Manitoba  
 POL-3450(3) Sustainability and Environmental Politics  
 POL-3452(3) Gender Issues in Canadian Politics  
 POL-3455(3) Politics and the Mass Media  
 POL-3460(3) Provincial Politics in Canada  
 POL-3470(3) Comparative Federalism & Multi-level Governance  
 POL-4400(6) Seminar in Canadian Politics  
 POL-4405(6) Seminar in Manitoba Politics  
 POL-4410(3) Seminar in Women in Politics  
 POL-4415(3)(6) Political Economy and the State  
 POL-4440(6) Seminar in Indigenous Political Issues  
 POL-4445(3) The Politics of Racism in Canada

**AREA 5**

**CITY AND MUNICIPAL POLITICS**

- POL-2010(3) Politics in the Inner City  
 POL-2500(3) City Politics  
 POL-2505(3) Issues in City Politics  
 POL-3500(3) Globalization and City Politics  
 POL-3510(3) Interest Groups and New Social Movements  
 POL-3520(3) Community Democracy in a Global Age  
 POL-4505(3) Politics of Urban Development  
 POL-4515(6) Inner City Seminar  
 POL-4525(3) Local Public Administration

**HONOURS THESIS, DIRECTED READINGS AND GENERAL SPECIAL TOPICS**

- POL-3030(3) Special Topics in Political Science  
 POL-3600(6) Directed Readings  
 POL-3605(3) Directed Readings  
 POL-4040(3) Special Topics in Political Science  
 POL-4600(6) Directed Readings  
 POL-4605(3) Directed Readings  
 POL-4610(6) Honours Thesis

**Note: GPOL-7000-LEVEL COURSES**

Course listings for graduate courses (GPOL-7000- level) are now included in the Master of Public Administration section of University's *Graduate Studies Academic Calendar*.

**Note: The second digit identifies the area number.**

## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

All course descriptions for all undergraduate programs can now be found in one large PDF called "All course descriptions" in the "Academic Calendar" section of the University website: <http://uwinnipeg.ca/academics/calendar/index.html>