

POLS 4100: Directed Applied Research

1-3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Consent of the instructor and department chair, and POLS 2280 or ACCT 2101 or ECON 2300.

This course will offer students an opportunity to investigate political science-oriented concepts and issues by participating in faculty-supervised research or scholarship. Course content and instructional methodologies will be determined by the student and faculty member. The amount of work expected per student will be based on the number of assigned credit hours.

POLS 4200: Homeland Security Administration

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: POLS 1101

This course examines the anatomy and response cycle of emergencies as they are managed by the Department of Homeland Security and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). A study of pertinent laws, executive orders, and preparedness and response activities at the national, state, and local levels enables each student to understand the nature of crisis management, appropriate responses, and the resulting impact on society.

POLS 4201: International Relations in the Americas

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: POLS 2401

This course examines the relations among the countries of the Americas. It will explore the development of relations in the context of United States regional hegemony. The course will also examine current issues relevant to the region such as trade, drug trafficking, and migration.

POLS 4202: Politics of the U.S. Intelligence Community

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: POLS 1101

This course examines the history, structure, procedures, and functions of the US intelligence community and how all of these affect policy decisions. A particular emphasis is placed upon lessons learned from past historical failures of the US intelligence community.