

POLS 4436: Politics of Developing Areas

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: POLS 2240 or POLS 2250

This course confronts the patterns of development of governmental institutions and use of political processes in meeting the problems of the emerging nations of Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Middle East.

POLS 4437: Global Security

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: POLS 2250

This course explores the primary threats to international security in the 21st century and examines the response of national governments, the United Nations, and regional international organizations in meeting the challenges posed by those threats.

POLS 4438: International Political Economy

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: POLS 2250 and ECON 2105

In International Political Economy students learn about the political influences that shape the global economic system. Particular attention is devoted to the international organizations and trade agreements which shape the behavior of countries, corporations, and other participants in the global economy. Students also gain insights into the political and social consequences of the various economic approaches, and of the impacts of the global exchange of goods and financial assets on societies.

POLS 4439: Political Economy of Russia and Central Asia in Transition

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: POLS 1101

This course examines the political and economic processes of reform in a variety of post-communist societies, including Russia, Kazakhstan, Ukraine, and Mongolia. A significant portion of the course involves a discussion of the impediments to development in either domain, as well as the significant barriers to economic competition in the world marketplace.