

AMERICAN POLITICS, MINOR

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PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

- **Substantive Knowledge:** Political Science students will demonstrate substantive knowledge of institutions, processes and values that shape politics within and among states, and the major theories, concepts, foundations, and methodologies used in the study of politics. (UG 9)
- **Critical Thinking:** Political Science students will develop the capacity to think critically about local, state, national, and global politics. (UG 2)
- **Effective Communication:** Political Science students will be able to present and defend their ideas, the information that they have acquired, and the analyses developed while utilizing scholarly approaches in political science. (UG 1)
- **Research Skills:** Political Science students will demonstrate competency with basic tools underlying modern social and political science research, including proficiency in both quantitative and qualitative analysis, which will allow students to ask and answer basic political questions. (UG 3, UG 4)
- **Engagement in Politics:** Political Science students will be prepared for active citizenship and demonstrate an ongoing interest in local, state, national and global politics. (UG 7)

Related Links

American Politics, Minor Program Page (<https://www.sru.edu/academics/majors-and-minors/american-politics-minor/>)

Political Science Department Page (<https://www.sru.edu/academics/colleges-and-departments/cla/departments/political-science/>)

Professional Licensure/Certification Page (<https://www.sru.edu/students/student-consumer-information/professional-licensure/>)

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GPA Requirement

Minor GPA: 2.0 or higher

Minor Requirements

- Students must complete at least 6 credit hours in their minor from SRU
- A minimum of 6 credit hours must be upper division (courses numbered 300 and above)
- A minor shall be no fewer than 18 credits

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
Select six courses from the following – three courses must be 300 level or higher.		18
POLS 101	American National Government	
POLS 200	State and Local Government	
POLS 223	Law and Courts	
POLS 301	Organized Political Action	
POLS 321	The Presidency	
POLS 325	The Congress	

POLS 328	Assessing Public Opinion	
POLS 333	The Political Film	
POLS 351	Politics of Race	
POLS 354	Seminar in Religion and Politics	
POLS 356	Gay and Lesbian Politics	
POLS 357	Civil Liberties and Civil Rights	
POLS 372	Campaign Management & Strategy	
POLS 375	Women and Politics	
POLS 403	Constitutional Law	
Total Hours		18

* Some courses may require pre-requisites. Please see course descriptions to determine if there are any pre-requisites for that specific course.

Important Curriculum Guide Notes

This Curriculum Guide is provided to help SRU students and prospective students better understand their intended major curriculum. Enrolled SRU students should note that the My Rock Audit may place already-earned and/or in progress courses in different, yet valid, curriculum categories. Enrolled SRU students should use the My Rock Audit Report and materials and information provided by their faculty advisers to ensure accurate progress towards degree completion. *The information on this guide is current as of the date listed. Students are responsible for curriculum requirements at the time of enrollment at the University.*

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Minor in American Politics (68A)

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