

# Political Science (POL SCI)

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## Courses

### **POL SCI 505. Urban Politics and Policy. 3 Credits.**

Structures and operations of city governments and their responses to policy issues such as education, employment, social welfare, housing, transportation, migration, racial discrimination, urban sprawl and social inequality.

P: gr st.

Spring.

### **POL SCI 516. Congress: Politics and Policy. 3 Credits.**

Legislative institutions and policies, emphasizing the U.S. Congress. The role of legislature in American politics; elections, representation, formal and informal legislative institutions and practices, leadership, interest groups and lobbying, and the role of legislatures in policy innovation. P: gr st. (S)

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Spring.

### **POL SCI 578. Environmental Law. 3 Credits.**

An overview of major environmental laws such as the Clean Air and Clean Water Acts, with emphasis on how these laws are implemented by the federal and state governments.

P: graduate status

Fall Odd.

### **POL SCI 580. Global Environmental Politics and Policy. 3 Credits.**

This course explores the transnational and international context of environmental politics and policy. Particular focus areas include the causes of environmental harm, the meaning of sustainability, and the relevance of new environmental actors on the global stage.

P: graduate status

Spring Even.

### **POL SCI 606. State and Local Government. 3 Credits.**

The structure and operation of state and local governments and their administration of public policies and programs; emphasized issues of importance to each level, the interaction between levels, and Wisconsin as a case study.

P: graduate status.

### **POL SCI 610. Intergovernmental Relations. 3 Credits.**

The relations among the federal, state and local units of government; federalism, intergovernmental revenues and expenditures, intergovernmental policies and grants in-aid. P: gr st. (F)

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Fall Only.