USC Department of Political Science
Minor Requirements

The Political Science Minor is intended to give students a detailed survey of one of the four subfields within the Department of Political Science, or the opportunity to study a specific area of concentration within the field of Political Science.

**Minor Requirements for any Subfield or Concentration**
Total Requirements: Five Courses (20 units)
Students choose one of the five fields below to pursue

**American Politics**
Core Requirement (4 units)
POSC 100 must be taken by all minors

Subfield Upper Division Requirement (12 units)
Choose three courses from the list below
- POSC: 300, 311, 315, 320, 321, 323, 325, 328, 334, 335, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424m, 425, 427, 428, 437, 439

Upper Division Elective Requirement (4 units)
Choose one 300 or 400 level course from any subfield

**Law and Public Policy**
Core Requirement (4 units)
POSC 130g must be taken by all minors

Subfield Upper Division Requirement (12 units)
Choose three courses from the list below
- POSC: 333m, 340, 343, 345, 347, 426, 432, 435, 436, 440, 441m, 442m, 443, 444, 448a, 448b, 452

Upper Division Elective Requirement (4 units)
Choose one 300 or 400 level course from any subfield

**Comparative Politics**
Core Requirement (4 units)
POSC 120 must be taken by all minors

Subfield Upper Division Requirement (12 units)
Choose three courses from the list below

Upper Division Elective Requirement (4 units)
Choose one 300 or 400 level course from any subfield

**Political Thought**
Core Requirement (4 units)
POSC 110 must be taken by all minors

Subfield Upper Division Requirement (12 units)
Choose three courses from the list below
- POSC: 370, 371, 374, 375, 377, 380, 381, 476, 479

Upper Division Elective Requirement (4 units)
Choose one 300 or 400 level course from any subfield

**Area of Concentration**
Core Requirement (4 units)
POSC 120 must be taken by all minors

Upper Division Requirement (16 units)
Four 300 or 400 level courses chosen in consultation with departmental advisor to match the chosen area of concentration.

As with all university minors, at least 4 courses must be unique to the minor (not fulfilling any requirement for an additional major or minor) and not being used to fulfill any general education requirement other than Diversity.

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