

# POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, B.A.

## Requirements

Consists of 31 hours, of which, in all but exceptional cases, at least 21 hours must be completed at Wake Forest. Where students take politics courses abroad, they have to be in Wake Forest approved programs and/or must have been certified by the department chair. The required courses for the major include the following:

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Required Major Courses</b>		
Complete at least three credit hours of coursework in each of the following four fields of Politics:		12
I. American Politics		
II. Comparative Politics		
III. Political Theory		
IV. International Politics		
POL 280	Research Methods *	3
POL 300	Senior Seminar in Political Science (normally taken in the senior year)	4
<b>Co-Requirements</b>		
STA 111	Elementary Probability and Statistics	4
Select no more than six hours of 100-level Introductory Courses ***		6
No more than three hours for any one or any combination of the following courses:		3
POL 287	Individual Study	
POL 288	Directed Reading	
POL 289	Internship in Politics	

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The methods course is a prerequisite for the senior seminar and students are expected to take the methods course prior to the end of their junior year and, in any case, prior to the senior seminar.

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Must be completed prior to or in concurrence with POL 280.

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Majors may not take the introductory courses during their senior year.

Highly motivated students who would like to further expand or apply their study beyond the normal course of offerings can undertake internships, individual studies, or directed readings if they fulfill the minimum overall GPA requirements of 3.0.

No course taken on a pass/fail basis can count towards the major. Transfer hours toward the major are awarded on an individual case-by-case basis at the discretion of the department chair. Students who receive a score of 5 on political science Advanced Placement (AP) exams may count the hours towards major credit. These credits may not be used to satisfy sub-field requirements. A minimum GPA of 2.0 in all courses completed in politics and international affairs at Wake Forest is required for graduation with the major.

The senior seminar provides an opportunity for majors to experience something comparable to a graduate seminar. As such, it is conducted more by discussion than by lecture and enables students to read and reflect upon advanced scholarly material. The seminar also offers students the opportunity in their final year to create a research paper of greater length and sophistication than is customary and to develop the research and writing skills appropriate to the task.

## I. American Politics

Code	Title	Hours
POL 113	American Government and Politics	3
POL 201	America's First Ladies	3
POL 203	Girls' Stories: Race, Politics, Pedagogy	3
POL 205	Politics of Consumer Finance	3
POL 206	Public Opinion and Pro Humanitate	3
POL 208	Race in America	3
POL 209	US Environmental Policy and Politics	3
POL 210	Topics In United States Politics and Policy	3
POL 211	Political Parties, Voters, and Elections	3
POL 212	U.S. Policymaking in the Twenty-first Century	3
POL 213	Economic Inequality and American Politics	3
POL 214	Latina/o/x Politics	3
POL 215	Citizen and Community	3
POL 216	Black Women in US Politics and Media	3
POL 217	Politics and the Mass Media	3
POL 218	Congress and Policymaking	3
POL 219	Political Participation	3
POL 220	The American Presidency	3
POL 221	State Politics	3
POL 222	Urban Politics	3
POL 223	African American Politics	3
POL 225	American Constitutional Law: Separation of Powers and the Federal System	3
POL 226	American Constitutional Law: Civil Rights and Liberties	3
POL 227	Politics, Law, and Courts	3
POL 228	Politics of Public Education	3

## II. Comparative Politics

Code	Title	Hours
POL 114	Comparative Government and Politics	3
POL 230	Political and Economic Development of Western Europe	3
POL 231	Western European Politics	3
POL 232	Politics in Russia and Eastern Europe	3
POL 233	The Politics of Modern Germany	3
POL 234	United Kingdom Politics in a Global Age	3
POL 235	European Integration	3
POL 236	Government and Politics in Latin America	3
POL 237	The Comparative Politics of Welfare States	3
POL 238	Comparative Economic and Political Development	3

POL 239	State, Economy, and International Competitiveness	3
POL 240	Politics of Human Rights	3
POL 241	Contemporary India	3
POL 242	Topics in Comparative Politics	3
POL 243	Corruption	3
POL 244	Contemporary Southeast Asia	3
POL 245	Ethnonationalism	3
POL 246	Politics and Policies in South Asia	3
POL 247	Identity and Inclusion in the Global South	3
POL 248	Chinese Politics	3

### III. Political Theory

Code	Title	Hours
POL 115	Political Theory	3
POL 269	Topics in Political Theory	3
POL 270	Ethics and Agency	3
POL 271	Classical Political Thought	3
POL 272	Democratic Theory	3
POL 273	Marx, Marxism and Post-Marxism	3
POL 274	Arab and Islamic Political Thought	3
POL 275	American Political Thought	3
POL 276	Modern Political Thought	3
POL 277	Feminist Political Thought	3
POL 281	Environmental Political Thought	3

### IV. International Politics

Code	Title	Hours
POL 116	International Politics	3
POL 249	Humanitarian Action in a Political World	3
POL 250	Afghanistan, Pakistan, Iraq and U.S. Policy since 2001	3
POL 251	Politics of Forced Migration	3
POL 252	Topics in International Politics	3
POL 253	International Political Economy	3
POL 254	U.S. Foreign Policy	3
POL 255	Terrorism and Political Violence	3
POL 256	International Security	3
POL 257	Politics of International Development	3
POL 258	International Relations of South Asia	3
POL 259	Palestine and the Arab-Israeli Conflict	3
POL 260	United States and East Asia	3
POL 261	International Law	3
POL 262	International Organizations	3
POL 263	U.S. Foreign Policy in the Middle East	3
POL 264	Moral Dilemmas in International Politics	3
POL 266	Modern Civil Wars	3
POL 267	Intelligence and International Politics	3
POL 268	International Conflict Resolution	3

### Honors

Students who are interested in the requirements for honors in the major should consult the honors guidelines, which are available at [www.wfu.edu/politics](http://www.wfu.edu/politics). Students who meet these requirements will graduate with "Honors in Politics and International Affairs."