

Learning Goals for the Political Science Minors

Students will

1. Demonstrate knowledge of political science as a discipline of knowledge*.
2. Demonstrate academic and intellectual skills: critical analysis; academic writing; and oral communication.
3. Be engaged in and aware of local, national and global politics*.
4. Be prepared, according to interest, for graduate programs and/or careers related to Political Science (e.g. public policy, law, political journalism, international service).

Alignment with Academic Learning Goals

Graduates will	1	2	3	4
Demonstrate an integrative knowledge of the human and natural worlds;	X		X	X
Develop habits of critical analysis and aesthetic appreciation;	X	X	X	X
Apply creative and innovative thinking;	X	X	X	X
Communicate skillfully in multiple forms of expression;		X	X	X
Act competently in a global and diverse world;	X		X	X
Understand and promote social justice;	X	X	X	
Apply a framework for examining ethical dilemmas;		X	X	
Employ leadership and collaborative skills;		X	X	X
Understand the religious dimensions of human experience.	X	X	X	

Alignment with Assessment Measures

Measure	1	2	3	4
Course-Based Assessment (PO 300/300L, 400-level courses)	Direct	Direct		
Internship Evaluations			Direct	
Participation in co-curricular events and immersion trips			Mixed	
Alumni Survey				Mixed
Employer questionnaire				Direct
Course Evaluations	Indirect	Indirect	Mixed	

*Expectations of degrees of disciplinary knowledge and in various subfields and of specifics of engagement in politics differ among students who minor in Foreign Affairs, Political Science, or U.S. Affairs.