

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION STUDIES, LAW AND POLITICAL SCIENCE

Programs Bachelors

- Communication Studies | Bachelor of Arts: Communication (General) (<https://catalog.fhsu.edu/arts-humanities-social-sciences/communication-studies-law-political-science/communication-general-ba/>)
- Communication Studies | Bachelor of Arts: Communication (Organizational Communication) (<https://catalog.fhsu.edu/arts-humanities-social-sciences/communication-studies-law-political-science/communication-organizational-communication-ba/>)
- Communication Studies | Bachelor of Arts: Communication (Public Relations and Advertising) (<https://catalog.fhsu.edu/arts-humanities-social-sciences/communication-studies-law-political-science/communication-public-relations-advertising-ba/>)
- Political Science | Bachelor of Arts: Political Science (<https://catalog.fhsu.edu/arts-humanities-social-sciences/communication-studies-law-political-science/political-science-ba/>)
- Political Science | Bachelor of Science in Political Science (<https://catalog.fhsu.edu/arts-humanities-social-sciences/communication-studies-law-political-science/political-science-bs/>)

Minors

- Minor: General Communication (<https://catalog.fhsu.edu/arts-humanities-social-sciences/communication-studies-law-political-science/general-communication-minor/>)
- Minor: Organizational Communication (<https://catalog.fhsu.edu/arts-humanities-social-sciences/communication-studies-law-political-science/organizational-communication-minor/>)
- Minor: Political Science (<https://catalog.fhsu.edu/arts-humanities-social-sciences/communication-studies-law-political-science/political-science-minor/>)
- Minor: Public Relations and Advertising (<https://catalog.fhsu.edu/arts-humanities-social-sciences/communication-studies-law-political-science/public-relations-advertising-minor/>)

Masters

- Political Science | Master of Liberal Studies (Global Studies) (<https://catalog.fhsu.edu/arts-humanities-social-sciences/communication-studies-law-political-science/global-studies-concentration-mls/>)
- Political Science | Master of Liberal Studies (Political Leadership and Public Service) (<https://catalog.fhsu.edu/arts-humanities-social-sciences/communication-studies-law-political-science/political-leadership-public-service-concentration-mls/>)
- Political Science | Master of Liberal Studies (Political Science) (<https://catalog.fhsu.edu/arts-humanities-social-sciences/communication-studies-law-political-science/political-science-concentration-mls/>)
- Political Science | Master of Liberal Studies (Public Administration) (<https://catalog.fhsu.edu/arts-humanities-social-sciences/>)

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- Political Science | Master of Professional Studies (Political Management) (<https://catalog.fhsu.edu/arts-humanities-social-sciences/communication-studies-law-political-science/political-management-mps/>)

Courses Communication

COMM 100 Fundamentals of Oral Communication (3 Credits)

This course examines theories and practices relevant to acquiring skill in interpersonal relations, small group communication and public speaking.

COMM 107 Debate and Forensic Practicum + (1-3 Credits)

(May be taken four semesters.) Examination of argumentative theory and technique with emphasis on application.

COMM 120L Introduction to Theatre Laboratory (1 Credit)

Required for communication majors.

COMM 125 Introduction to Motion Pictures (3 Credits)

An overview of the art of cinema, concentrating on those techniques of filmmaking which shape motion pictures as a distinct art form. Although the course will include a short history of the development of the movie business, this is neither a history course nor a course in how to make films, but rather it is a course in how to view and understand motion pictures. A series of famous films will be shown and analyzed during the course.

COMM 128 Media and Society (3 Credits)

This course is a three-hour survey course designed to provide a general introduction to the social impact of media on cultures and society. This course examines the history of media, media theory, and the social impact of communication technologies and media convergence, with a primary focus on the United States.

COMM 199 Communications Elective (1-12 Credits)

This course is designed to receive non-equivalent elective transfer credit.

COMM 205 Intermediate Speech (3 Credits)

Course provides students with the basic theories and principles of speech communication and skill in their application through directed practice. Emphasis is given to developing skills essential to the speaker-audience situation.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM100

COMM 208 Communication and the Information Society (3 Credits)

Examines the global communication intensive society of the present and future. Study of the forms, processes, and functions of communication focusing on the role of communication in creating and shaping our attitudes and behaviors.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM100 and ENG102

COMM 277 Early Field Experience: Speech Education (1 Credit)

Course provides prospective teachers with observational and participatory experience in their area of specialization. Students will be introduced to the classroom environment and teaching experience.

COMM 300 Diversity and Communication (3 Credits)

This course seeks to increase awareness of diversity issues by examining the role of communication in creating and resolving problems in sexism, racism and ageism. The role of communication in acculturation is also examined.

COMM 304 Intermediate Interpersonal Communication (3 Credits)

Course examines speech principles and practices relevant to effective person-to-person and small group communication.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM100 and ENG102

COMM 306 Argumentation and Debate (3 Credits)

Course provides a study of theory and practice of argumentation and academic debate.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM100 and ENG102

COMM 318 Introduction to Organizational Communication (3 Credits)

Analysis of the functions of communication in organizational settings. Emphasis is placed on organizational structures and their effect on the communication process.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM100 and ENG102

COMM 322 Topics in Communication + (1-3 Credits)

Course is designed to provide academic credit for a number of different areas in the Communication Department. The student will study one particular topic in depth.

COMM 335 Advanced Photographic Techniques (3 Credits)

Advanced photography course which stresses color work, professional portraiture, and other specialized photographic work.

COMM 345 Visual and Creative Design (3 Credits)

Study and applications of desk top publishing technology and publication design.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM100 and ENG102

COMM 347 Advertising (3 Credits)

This course is an overview of the field of advertising including advertising history; the idea systems behind advertising as a social/ economic institution; the perspectives of supporters and critics; and the principles and elements of design.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM128 and ENG102

COMM 348 Intro to Public Relations and Advertising (3 Credits)

This course provides an overview of the field of public relations. Includes the development and contemporary status of the field, a grammatical review, social responsibility, and emerging technologies. The class examines professional ethics and the impact of public relations on society.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM100 and ENG102

COMM 349 Strategic Writing and Ethics (3 Credits)

This course is designed to develop the professional-level writing skills expected of public relations communicators, emphasizing approaches required for different publics and media. Includes basic persuasive theories and application techniques involved in creating public relations messages, including planning, writing, editing, production and evaluation.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM348

COMM 350 Communication Research Methods (3 Credits)

Studies the goals, objects and methods of communication research. An introduction to historical, dramatic, and quantitative research methodologies used in communication.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM100 and ENG102

COMM 399 Communications Elective (1-12 Credits)

This course is designed to receive non-equivalent elective transfer credit.

COMM 414 Business and Professional Speaking (3 Credits)

Course in speech communication with emphasis on the practical application of theories and principles to the development of those speech skills essential to communication encounters in the business and professional world.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM100 and ENG102

COMM 490 Issues & Applications in Communication (3 Credits)

Communication is explored from three perspectives: 1) historical—examining both the behavioral rhetorical traditions, 2) theoretical—in the areas of theatre, interpersonal, organizational, and mass communication; and 3) futuristic directions in communication research. The course integrates prior courses into a conceptual whole and serves as the student's summative evaluation.

Eligibility Rules: Senior Standing and has completed or currently enrolled in COMM208 and COMM350

COMM 600 Nonverbal Codes (3 Credits)

Course examines the effects of a variety of nonverbal behaviors during interpersonal interaction at home, play, and work. Topics include proxemics, haptics, oculosics, chronemics, gender and cultural variables, paralinguistics, body types and shapes and sizes, personal artifacts and clothing, kinesics, and olfactics.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM100 and ENG102

COMM 600G Nonverbal Codes (3 Credits)

Course examines the effects of a variety of nonverbal behaviors during interpersonal interaction at home, play, and work. Topics include proxemics, haptics, oculosics, chronemics, gender and cultural variables, paralinguistics, body types and shapes and sizes, personal artifacts and clothing, kinesics, and olfactics.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 601 Persuasion (3 Credits)

Psychological principles of influencing individuals and groups and the application of these principles to various areas of social activity.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM100 and ENG102

COMM 601G Persuasion (3 Credits)

Psychological principles of influencing individuals and groups and the application of these principles to various areas of social activity.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 602 Intercultural Communication (3 Credits)

Course examines the effects of cultural variables on the communication process. Cross-cultural interpersonal variables are examined.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM100 and ENG102

COMM 602G Intercultural Communication (3 Credits)

Course examines the effects of cultural variables on the communication process. Cross-cultural interpersonal variables are examined.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 603 General Semantics (3 Credits)

Course examines the means of changing implications so that language, in spoken or written form, more adequately describes life facts.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM100 and ENG102

COMM 603G General Semantics (3 Credits)

Course examines the means of changing implications so that language, in spoken or written form, more adequately describes life facts.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 604 Interpersonal Communication (3 Credits)

Course views communication as a process of relating and evaluating. Emphasis is given to the study of communication theory applicable to face-to-face, spontaneous interactions in small groups.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM100 and ENG102

COMM 604G Interpersonal Communication (3 Credits)

Course views communication as a process of relating and evaluating. Emphasis is given to the study of communication theory applicable to face-to-face, spontaneous interactions in small groups.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 605 Small Group Communication (3 Credits)

Various forms of group discussion are studied with emphasis on developing skills in effective participation and leadership. Emphasis is on discussion, small group problem-solving and group dynamics.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM100 and ENG102

COMM 605G Small Group Communication (3 Credits)

Various forms of group discussion are studied with emphasis on developing skills in effective participation and leadership. Emphasis is on discussion, small group problem-solving and group dynamics.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 606 Conflict Management Through Communication (3 Credits)

Course examines the role of communication in managing conflicts. Conflict management theories such as assertiveness, shared decision-making, negotiation, mediation of conflicts and other skills will be examined.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM100 and ENG102

COMM 606G Conflict Management Through Communication (3 Credits)

Course examines the role of communication in managing conflicts. Conflict management theories such as assertiveness, shared decision-making, negotiation, mediation of conflicts and other skills will be examined.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 607 Listening (3 Credits)

Course covers basic theories and principles of effective listening. Emphasis is given to therapeutic, comprehensive, critical, discriminative, and appreciative listening.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM100 and ENG102

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Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 608 Communication and Gender (3 Credits)

Course designed to give students insights and skills into interpreting and understanding various biological, social and cultural influences on men and women. Students will discover how sex and gender affect their communication as well as how communication affects sex and gender.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM100 and ENG102

COMM 608G Communication and Gender (3 Credits)

Course designed to give students insights and skills into interpreting and understanding various biological, social and cultural influences on men and women. Students will discover how sex and gender affect their communication as well as how communication affects sex and gender.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 611 Organizational Culture and Climate (3 Credits)

This course presents the major theoretical and research orientations of organizational communication as it relates to organizational culture and climate. Focus is given to the communicative construction and management of "culture" and its resultant climate as related to all aspects of organizational life.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM318

COMM 611G Organizational Culture and Climate (3 Credits)

This course presents the major theoretical and research orientations of organizational communication as it relates to organizational culture and climate. Focus is given to the communicative construction and management of "culture" and its resultant climate as related to all aspects of organizational life.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 612 Developing Human Resources Through Communication (3 Credits)

This course focuses on the role communication plays in the implementation of human resource development. The course focuses on communication and interpersonal skills required for the effective hr professional.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM318

COMM 612G Developing Human Resources Through Communication (3 Credits)

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Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 613 Recruiting and Interviewing Techniques (3 Credits)

This course focuses on the communication skills necessary to develop strong organizational recruiting and interviewing techniques. Emphasis is placed on developing innovative recruiting techniques and building interviewing skills.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM318

COMM 613G Recruiting and Interviewing Techniques (3 Credits)

This course focuses on the communication skills necessary to develop strong organizational recruiting and interviewing techniques. Emphasis is placed on developing innovative recruiting techniques and building interviewing skills.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 614 Organizational Coaching & Mentoring Communication (3 Credits)

This course is designed to help the student understand the importance of mentoring and coaching in organizations. The primary focus is on communication skills necessary to develop strong organizational coaching and mentoring programs within the organization.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM318

COMM 614G Organizational Coaching & Mentoring Communication (3 Credits)

This course is designed to help the student understand the importance of mentoring and coaching in organizations. The primary focus is on communication skills necessary to develop strong organizational coaching and mentoring programs within the organization.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 617 Secondary School Speech Programs (3 Credits)

Comprehensive survey of the methods, procedures, and techniques for directing and teaching the curricular and extracurricular secondary school speech program.

Eligibility Rules: Admission to Teacher Education

COMM 617G Secondary School Speech Programs (3 Credits)

Comprehensive survey of the methods, procedures, and techniques for directing and teaching the curricular and extracurricular secondary school speech program.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 620 News Practicum-Reporting and Editing (3 Credits)

Provides practical training and experience in writing and preparing copy for publications. Not for the student who has taken COMM 240 or COMM 541 or COMM 741.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM100

COMM 620G News Practicum-Reporting and Editing (3 Credits)

Provides practical training and experience in writing and preparing copy for publications. Not for the student who has taken COMM 240 or COMM 541 or COMM 741.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 625 Scholastic Journalism and Publications Advising (3 Credits)

For current and prospective high school journalism teachers and publications advisers. Organization, management, finance, and theory of scholastic journalism and publications advising.

Eligibility Rules: Permission for COMM625

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For current and prospective high school journalism teachers and publications advisers. Organization, management, finance, and theory of scholastic journalism and publications advising.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 627 Contemporary Problems in New Media Communication (3 Credits)

Examination of the complexities facing new media communicators. Emphasis on examination of new media as the intersection of culture, communication, and technology.

Eligibility Rules: Permission for COMM627, Senior Standing

COMM 627G Contemporary Problems in Mass Communication (3 Credits)

Examination of the complexities facing mass communicators. Emphasis on criticism of the media.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 630 Photojournalism (3 Credits)

Study of photojournalism; how to cover and supplement the news photographically.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed COMM129, INF346

COMM 630G Photojournalism (3 Credits)

Study of photojournalism; how to cover and supplement the news photographically.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 631 Seminar in Photography (2 Credits)

Emphasis on polishing photographic technique. Creative aspects of photography, including composition, color, texture, special effects, and career opportunities are stressed.

Eligibility Rules: Permission for COMM631

COMM 631G Seminar in Photography (2 Credits)

Emphasis on polishing photographic technique. Creative aspects of photography, including composition, color, texture, special effects, and career opportunities are stressed.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 635 Multimedia Production (3 Credits)

This course provides an introduction to the production of multimedia. Components include conceptualization of the idea, storyboard preparation, and the preparation of digital images, video, and sound. All the elements are then integrated into a finished presentation using appropriate authoring programs.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed INF346, Permission for COMM635

COMM 635G Multimedia Production (3 Credits)

This course provides an introduction to the production of multimedia. Components include conceptualization of the idea, storyboard preparation, and the preparation of digital images, video, and sound. All the elements are then integrated into a finished presentation using appropriate authoring programs.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 641 Public Relations Management & Campaign Design (3 Credits)

The course includes an overview of professional standards and practices, media and marketing research, program planning, and communication techniques used by public relations professionals. A complete PR campaign will be developed and presented.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM348

COMM 641G Public Relations Management & Campaign Design (3 Credits)

The course includes an overview of professional standards and practices, media and marketing research, program planning, and communication techniques used by public relations professionals. A complete PR campaign will be developed and presented.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 642 Crisis Communication and Strategies (3 Credits)

A study of the factors in crisis situations, including development of crisis plans, handling of the media, coordination of internal disciplines, collection and dissemination of information and restoration of public confidence. Crisis theories and the design and use of written and oral strategies will be examined.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM100

COMM 642G Crisis Communication and Strategies (3 Credits)

A study of the factors in crisis situations, including development of crisis plans, handling of the media, coordination of internal disciplines, collection and dissemination of information and restoration of public confidence. Crisis theories and the design and use of written and oral strategies will be examined.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 656 Advertising Copywriting Strategy and Tactics (3 Credits)

This course examines the creative process, including idea generation and execution of advertising copywriting and storyboards. The course will encompass the concepts of consumer motivation, perception, learning and attitudes as related to advertising tactics and strategies.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed COMM347

COMM 656G Advertising Copywriting Strategy and Tactics (3 Credits)

This course examines the creative process, including idea generation and execution of advertising copywriting and storyboards. The course will encompass the concepts of consumer motivation, perception, learning and attitudes as related to advertising tactics and strategies.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 657 Media Planning and Management (3 Credits)

This course focuses on the function of media, the relationship between advertising and marketing, the role of research, research sources, media mathematics, identifying target audiences, scheduling, and media avenues (Newspapers, magazines, radio, etc.).

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM349

COMM 657G Media Planning and Management (3 Credits)

This course focuses on the function of media, the relationship between advertising and marketing, the role of research, research sources, media mathematics, identifying target audiences, scheduling, and media avenues (Newspapers, magazines, radio, etc.).

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 658 Strategic Campaign Design and Analysis (3 Credits)

This course involves the analysis and development of advertising campaigns aimed at gaining attention and acceptance of selected target audiences. An advertising campaign for a client will be developed.

Eligibility Rules: Has completed or currently enrolled in COMM657

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Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 664G Playwriting/Screenwriting (3 Credits)

An opportunity to learn and practice the craft of writing dramatic scripts for the theatre and motion pictures. Dramas developed in this course may receive production in department's directing program.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 665 Social Media Networking (3 Credits)

This course surveys the social media networking industry and explores the effective practice of social networking tools and platforms for business and professional purposes. Additional attention focuses on the effective utilization of communication skills in the use of these internet-based tools and platforms. Students in this course will study how and why social media is used for professional purposes, with the aim of discovering strategic networking and communication techniques. In addition, students research social media theory, especially in its relevance to the history and future application.

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Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 666G Theatre History (3 Credits)

A general survey of the history, theory, and literature of the theatre in its relationship to the development of western culture. The purpose of this course is to enhance the students' appreciation of the arts.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 668G Pre-Modern Theatre History (3 Credits)

An historical study of the theatre from classical Greek times up to the late 19th century.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 680 Seminar in Communication + (1-3 Credits)

Designed to give upper-level students an opportunity for in-depth study into areas of communication. Content will vary according to the needs of the upper-level student population.

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Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 681 Readings in Communication + (1-3 Credits)

Special study by the student in his/her field of particular concentration.

Eligibility Rules: Permission for COMM681

COMM 681G Readings in Communication + (1-3 Credits)

Special study by the student in his/her field of particular concentration.

COMM 682 Problems in Communication + (1-4 Credits)

Special problems encountered by the student in his/her field of concentration.

Eligibility Rules: Permission for COMM682

COMM 682G Problems in Communication + (1-4 Credits)

Special problems encountered by the student in his/her field of concentration.

COMM 684 Workshop in Communication (1-3 Credits)

Designed to give concentrated training in an area of communication.

Eligibility Rules: Permission for COMM684

COMM 684G Workshop in Communication (1-3 Credits)

Designed to give concentrated training in an area of communication.

COMM 685 Internship + (1-6 Credits)

Course is designed to provide practical experience in teaching and administration of communication.

Eligibility Rules: Permission for COMM685

COMM 685G Internship + (1-6 Credits)

Course is designed to provide practical experience in teaching and administration of communication.

COMM 800 Contemporary Theories in Communication (3 Credits)

Theoretical course designed to give graduate students breadth of knowledge in the diverse field of communication. Special attention is given to integrating contemporary theories of communication (general communication, journalism, information networking and telecommunications, and theatre).

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 810 Organizational Communication and Leadership (3 Credits)

Provides a collaborative learning experience in organizational communication and leadership behaviors through student interaction and instructor feedback. This course focuses on the development of communication and leadership behaviors based on contemporary thinking in the field.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 817 Introduction to Graduate Research in Communication (3 Credits)

Course examines research methods in communication, theatre, journalism, public relations/advertising and information networking and telecommunications.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

COMM 827 Seminar in Communication Research (3 Credits)

Advanced course in applying communication research methodologies to specific research topics.

Eligibility Rules: Graduate level and has completed COMM800, COMM810, and COMM817

COMM 899 Thesis + (3-6 Credits)

Eligibility Rules: Permission for COMM899, Graduate level

Political Science

POLS 100 Orientation to Political Science * (3 Credits)

An introduction to the discipline of Political Science within the framework of a liberal arts education.

POLS 101 American Government * (3 Credits)

An introduction to the constitutional, political, and governmental processes of the national political system. The course will introduce students to ongoing disagreements regarding the scope and boundaries of power held by the legislative, executive, and judicial branches of the federal government.

General Education Course

POLS 101G American Government (3 Credits)

An introduction to the constitutional, political, and governmental processes of the national political system.

The course will introduce students to ongoing disagreements regarding the scope and boundaries of power held by the legislative, executive, and judicial branches of federal government in the United States. How these disagreements derive in part from varying interpretations of the U.S. Constitution will be discussed. Exploring how individuals and groups interact to shape the policymaking process is a consistent theme. Students will analyze how residents of the United States construct opinions and make decisions given information cues from political groups and institutions within the U.S. like the mass media, political parties, and interest groups. In addition, students will be exposed to and apply the social science mode of inquiry to evaluate theories and methods of measuring voting participation in the United States.

POLS 103 State and Local Government (3 Credits)

An introduction to state and local governments, including their structures, functions, decision-making and political processes. The course will introduce students to the mechanics of how state and local governments operate in the United States.

General Education Course

POLS 105 Current Political Issues * (3 Credits)

An introduction to contemporary political issues and to the skills, techniques, and tactics that enhance the effectiveness of citizen participation in American politics.

General Education Course

POLS 108 Field Work in Politics + (1-4 Credits)

A special program of study developed for the individual student emphasizing field participation or simulation in politics.

POLS 111 Political Thinking for the Greater Good * (3 Credits)

This course explores how citizens can enrich their communities and sustain democratic values by collecting, evaluating, and communicating information about political processes, laws, and rights. It is far too often the case where politics is thought about in terms of "winners" and "losers." Politics is not purely about maximizing individual benefits; in reality, politics involves maximizing benefits for a broader population, also known as "the greater good." By recognizing this larger purpose, students can be productive innovators in society, not only in the realm of politics but in other areas of life as well.

General Education Course

POLS 199 Political Science Elective (1-12 Credits)

This course is designed to receive non-equivalent elective transfer credit.

POLS 220 Introduction to the Legal Profession (1 Credit)

The purpose of this course is to familiarize the potential law student or paralegal with: 1) the process of admission into legal education programs, 2) the typical education model, 3) the legal job market, and 4) the roles of legal assistants, lawyers and judges in American society.

POLS 230 Introduction to International Relations * (3 Credits)

Investigation of the fundamental problems, principles, and characteristics of the modern nation-state system, emphasizing the mechanisms for making choices and managing power.

POLS 240 Democracy and Liberty in Comparative Perspective * (3 Credits)

An introduction to the study of comparative government by evaluating the political processes, governmental institutions, and liberties observed in industrialized nations when contrasted with developing nation

POLS 280 Introduction to Public Policy (3 Credits)

An introduction to Public Policy with an emphasis on developing tools and insights for understanding the forces that shape public policy.

POLS 310 Introduction to Public Administration (3 Credits)

A general survey of the political and managerial factors which affect the administration and management of the public's business.

POLS 320 Introduction to the Law (3 Credits)

A survey of the American legal system emphasizing what lawyers and judges do as professionals, how the law is structured, with the objective of making the legal system intelligible to a consumer of legal services.

POLS 380 Topics in Political Science + (1-3 Credits)

A topical approach and analysis of selected historical movements, concepts, or current issues.

POLS 399 Political Science Elective (1-12 Credits)

This course is designed to receive non-equivalent elective transfer credit.

POLS 400 Urban Politics (3 Credits)

An introduction to urban government and politics in the United States. This class provides an evolutionary look at the growth, continuing adaptation, and the politics of both the United States and Kansas metropolitan areas.

POLS 401 The Congress (3 Credits)

An analysis of Congress with emphasis on membership recruitments, internal organizations, committees, legislative oversight, and lobbying.

POLS 401G The Congress (3 Credits)

An analysis of Congress with emphasis on membership recruitments, internal organizations, committees, legislative oversight, and lobbying.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

POLS 403 The Presidency (3 Credits)

The office of the President and its place in the political, constitutional, and administrative systems with emphasis on theories of the presidency.

POLS 403G The Presidency (3 Credits)

The office of the President and its place in the political, constitutional, and administrative systems with emphasis on theories of the presidency.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

POLS 420 LSAT Preparation (1-3 Credits)

A preparatory course designed to enhance student performance on the law school admission test through analysis of the LSAT sections, study of test-taking strategies, and practice of LSAT questions.

POLS 422 Legal Advocacy (3 Credits)

Designed for who plan to attend law school or desire an overview of the legal advocacy in the American legal system. Course content may include mock trial and/or appellate advocacy exercises.

POLS 422G Legal Advocacy (3 Credits)

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Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

POLS 425 Legal Research Methods (1-3 Credits)

An introduction to legal research methods including an exploration of the relationships between sources of law, an understanding of the mechanics of legal research, and familiarity with the FIRAC (Facts, issues, rule of law, analysis, conclusion) model of legal analysis.

POLS 455 Research Methods in Political Science (3 Credits)

This course introduces students to the scientific method as it relates to providing insight and answers to political questions. Students will learn the scientific method and research design, and they will apply those methods to politics, collect new and use existing data, and conduct statistical analyses to provide substantive answers to questions related to politics.

POLS 457 Advanced Research Methods in Political Science (3 Credits)

Introduces students to mainframe computing, regression analysis, and the use of the regression model in political science. Students will learn how to use statistical packages such as SPSSX and Micro-crunch.

POLS 457G Advanced Research Methods in Political Science (3 Credits)

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Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

POLS 468 Political Communication (3 Credits)

This course explores the relationship between media and politics in America, focusing on the process and power of media including its use by citizens, political interest groups, candidates and political leaders as well as its effect on information, civic involvement, and voter turnout.

POLS 490 Senior Capstone (3 Credits)

The senior capstone is a culminating experience required for all Political Science majors. Designed for senior students, emphasis is placed on integrating the student's educational experience and preparing the student for graduate school or the professions. Students will conduct an in-depth study of a topic of interest, produce a detailed research paper, and present the paper in an academic setting.

Eligibility Rules: Has taken POLS455 and Senior Level Standing

POLS 504 Transfer Elective LEAP (0-4 Credits)

Course receives transfer credit for students in the Law Early Admission Program Partnership

POLS 609 Field Work in Government + (1-3 Credits)

An advanced, special program of study developed for the individual student emphasizing field participation or simulation in politics and government.

POLS 609G Field Work in Government + (1-4 Credits)

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POLS 610 Public Policy/Law/Ethics in Telecommunications (3 Credits)

The study of the regulation of computer networks, the telecommunications industries, and media distributors. Included is a consideration of the following: how regulation affects these industries and how developments in these industries affect public policy and society; how public policy is designated; and the moral and ethical obligations of these industries.

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POLS 611 Policy Analysis (3 Credits)

A study of the governmental policy-making process, its formulation, implementation, and evaluation.

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POLS 612 The Administrative Process (3 Credits)

An examination of the legal and political implementation procedures in administrative agencies.

POLS 612G The Administrative Process (3 Credits)

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Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

POLS 616 Public Personnel Management (3 Credits)

Issues associated with the management of personnel in public agencies, emphasizing the merit system, public employee organizations, and collective bargaining.

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POLS 618 Public Budgeting (3 Credits)

This course examines public budgeting and finance from economic, political, cultural and institutional perspectives. It presents an overview of the processes and problems associated with public budgeting and policy.

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POLS 620 Constitutional Law (3 Credits)

The constitutional possibilities and limitations on economic, political, and social legislation as determined by U.S. Supreme Court decisions.

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POLS 621 American Civil Liberties (3 Credits)

Civil rights in the American constitutional context, emphasizing freedom of religion, expression, association, rights of the accused, equal protection of the law, and due process of law.

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POLS 630 International Organization in World Politics (3 Credits)

The role and influence of international organizations as a process for institutionalizing and regulating conflict among states and transnational actors.

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POLS 631 American Foreign Policy (3 Credits)

A study of the domestic and international systemic factors that condition american foreign policy with emphasis on the contemporary era.

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POLS 632 Problems and Issues in World Politics (3 Credits)

Designed for advanced students who desire a more detailed study of the traditional problems and current issues in world politics.

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POLS 639 Internship in International Relations + (1-9 Credits)

Designed for upper-level and graduate students with career goals in the international field who desire short-term practical learning experiences with companies/Organizations/Agencies affected by world politics.

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POLS 640 Comparative Politics + (3 Credits)

Theoretical and methodological aspects of comparative politics with emphasis on a particular geographic area.

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Theoretical and methodological aspects of comparative politics with emphasis on a particular geographic area.

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POLS 650 History of Political Theory (3 Credits)

The writings and significance of great, representative political philosophers from Plato to John Stuart Mill with emphasis on the major classics in Western political thought.

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POLS 651 Recent Political Theories (3 Credits)

Modern ideologies and political philosophies with emphasis on the political thought of the past 150 years.

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POLS 653 American Political Thought (3 Credits)

Major trends in political thought in the U.S. from pre-Revolutionary times to the present with emphasis on the liberal and conservative traditions.

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POLS 660 Political Campaign Management (3 Credits)

This course investigates the process of conducting modern American political campaigns. Campaigns require knowledge, including research and planning, that this course provides. Students will learn skills in campaign planning, political strategy, campaign organization, fundraising and campaign finance law compliance, voter outreach, and voter mobilization.

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Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

POLS 661 American Political Parties (3 Credits)

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POLS 665 Interest Groups and Lobbying (3 Credits)

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Eligibility Rules: Has completed POLS101

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POLS 670 Workshop in Political Science + (1-3 Credits)

A short-term, intensive study of a topic, problem or concept in government, politics, bureaucracy, law, or teaching.

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POLS 672 Readings in Political Science + (1-3 Credits)

Directed readings under the supervision of a professor. PERM: permission required.

Eligibility Rules: Permission for POLS672

POLS 672G Readings in Political Science + (1-3 Credits)

Directed readings under the supervision of a professor. PERM: permission required.

POLS 675 Seminar in Political Science + (0-3 Credits)

Topics intended for upper-division majors.

POLS 675G Seminar in Political Science + (0-3 Credits)

Topics intended for upper-division majors.

POLS 676 Apprenticeship in Political Science + (1-3 Credits)

Directed and supervised experiences in professional problems in political science.

POLS 676G Apprenticeship in Political Science + (1-3 Credits)

Directed and supervised experiences in professional problems in political science.

POLS 689 Internship in Political Science + (1-6 Credits)

Students who enroll in this class will engage in practical field work in politics such as, but not limited to, working for a political campaign, interning at a law firm, staffing a legislative office, or working in some capacity for a government agency or international organization.

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POLS 805 Global Challenges (3 Credits)

The purpose of this course is to provide a graduate level introduction to the seven driving forces of change that are expected to transform the world over the next 25 years. The course will educate and encourage the development of globally competent citizens and leaders, and prepare them to engage in in-depth, graduate-level exploration of each of these areas of revolutionary change. The course is designed to provide students with the knowledge, skills and attitudes to be engaged, responsible and effective members of a globally interdependent society.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

POLS 850 School Law (2-3 Credits)

The legal principles governing the operation of the school with emphasis on Kansas statutory law and supreme court decisions.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

POLS 856 Advanced Research Methods In Political Science (3 Credits)

This course guides students through advanced scientific method as it relates to providing insight and answers to political questions. Students will learn research design methods and they will apply those methods to collect new and use existing data, conduct statistical analyses, and provide substantive answers to questions related to politics.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

POLS 863 Political Electioneering Organizations (3 Credits)

This course investigates the groups that participate in the modern elections process. The role and impact of such groups will be explored as well as the campaigning laws that define the relationships between organizations and campaigns.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

POLS 873 Problems in Political Science + (1-4 Credits)

Directed research and methodological issues for graduate students.

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR Doctoral

POLS 899 Thesis + (1-6 Credits)

Eligibility Rules: Academic level is Masters, EdS, Grad Non-Degree OR
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