

Look What's Happening *NOW* in POSC for 2020 Summer Session

All courses are offered online for 2020 Summer.

First Summer Session (5 Weeks) 6/8 – 7/10

LEST 301-010 INTRODUCTION TO LEGAL STUDIES HAYWOOD
CRJU 301-010

Introduces legal studies as a multidisciplinary field.

POSC 150 010 INTRODUCTION TO AMERICAN POLITICS NUZZOLESE

This course is a survey of American politics and government divided into three broad categories: **1)** the American founding, the Constitution, and what it means to have a federal system of government, **2)** American political institutions – Congress, the presidency, the bureaucracy, the judiciary – and policymaking and **3)** American political behavior and its interaction with issues including voting, political parties, interest groups, public opinion, the media, and inequality.

More broadly, the lectures, discussions, and readings will help us gain an improved understanding of how American politics works (or doesn't work!). As a more general goal for the course, I hope that we all can take a step forward toward becoming more politically critical, informed, and engaged citizens. Politics can be maddening, but it becomes more interesting and fun when you can make some sense of what is going on.

Note: This course will be taught online and asynchronously; students may complete modules at their own pace. Optional weekly “check-ins” will be offered throughout the semester.

POSC 240 010 INTRODUCTION TO GLOBAL POLITICS HASKOLOGLU

This course is designed as an introduction to the major trends in global politics. There are several debates ongoing in the international domain that affect not only the inter-state relations but also the domestic politics of the states as well. Moreover, in the age of globalization, even pandemics in one part of the world cause irreversible changes in global politics. In this volatile international environment, major international relations theories try both to interpret and shape politics.

Throughout the semester, we will first start with analyzing major international relations theories. Then we will crack the door open for international law, and international political economy as well as the major trends in global politics such as Transnational Terrorism, Populism/Nationalism, Regionalism, Fragile and Failed States (FFS), Rise of China, etc. Lastly, we will discuss the implications of the post-pandemic world. Key questions that we will seek to answer are: What are the leading international relations theories that shape politics? What are the main topics in global politics? What are the deep roots of these debates? What are the views of different schools

POSC 464 010

INTERNSHIP IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

BAGOZZI

See the department website at www.poscir.udel.edu/ - Undergraduate “Internships” for forms and Student Responsibilities. On the “Internships” page, you will find a listing of places students have interned in the past, and current advertised internship opportunities.

You may also find opportunities on the Career Services Center web site – www.udel.edu/CSC

Second Summer Session (5 Weeks) 7/13 - 8/13

POSC 150 910

INTRODUCTION TO AMERICAN POLITICS

THARP

This course examines American political institutions, American political behavior, as well as democratic and social contract theory in an effort to understand and answer questions about contemporary U.S. democracy and political arrangements. Important American institutions that this course will focus on include the Congress, the Presidency, the Supreme Court and institutional perspectives on political parties and interest groups. Key concepts and questions in American political behavior involve American public values and opinions, how Americans decide their vote, issues of partisanship, institutional racism in U.S. society, gender inequality, as well as injustices concerning people with impairments and sexual minorities.

In this course, we also discuss theories underlying the American social contract, the U.S. Constitution, and the interpretation and enactment of the law by those people exercising sovereign power within American institutions (like Supreme Court Justices). In addition, we grapple with questions of care, equality, power, and social justice within the context of American politics from excerpted perspectives as diverse as Alexis de Tocqueville’s ‘*Democracy in America*’ to W.E.B. DuBois’ ‘*The Souls of Black Folk*.’ Putting everything together, we critically evaluate the degree to which politics in the U.S. works toward a more just, caring, and equal future for all citizens.

Note: This course will be taught online, asynchronously to allow students to complete modules at their own pace.

POSC 285 910

INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL THEORY

OBRINGER

As the oldest field of political science—with thousands of years under its belt—political theory examines the political world not only as is, but as it *could be*. Using analysis, judgment, inquiry, and persuasion, political theorists create blueprints for what a better and different political world could look like and how we can reach such an ideal. It is these thought experiments of what constitutes *politics*, of what it means to be a *citizen*, of who should *rule*, and of how to achieve *justice* that provide a foundation for many of our current political institutions, organizations, law, and norms. In a period in which political values are debated incessantly and concepts like democracy, freedom, justice, and liberty are thrown around in the news, on Twitter, and Facebook, an examination of the philosophical reasoning that undergirds American democracy, international cooperation, global justice, and citizenship warrants both a re-examination and re-grounding. In this **five week, online, asynchronous course**, we will analyze key arguments in political theory, exploring concepts such as justice, rights, power, citizenship, government, law, and democracy. Through readings, podcasts, videos, media, and lectures, students will have a

basic understanding of major concepts and debates in political theory and be able to critically and analytically engage with them. At the culmination of this course, students will be equipped with new tools and frameworks that will aid them in navigating an ever-changing political world.

POSC 311 910 POLITICS OF DEVELOPING NATIONS KHAN

Discusses major political and economic trends in the developing world in recent decades, including struggles with neoliberal economic development policies and efforts to establish working democracies. Country cases from Latin America, Africa, the Middle East and South/East Asia.

POSC 413 910 TOPICS IN AMERICAN POLITICS: COLLIER
Campaigns and Elections

In this course, we will examine the electoral system and election campaigns to better understand the democratic practice in the U.S. and to explore both positive and negative critiques frequently made about it. This course will look at campaigns and elections at the local, state, and national levels, focusing primarily on presidential and congressional elections. The key goal for this course will be to understand how campaigns and elections work in the US as well as to study the various arguments and criticisms about why election processes in the US work like they do.

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