

POLITICAL SCIENCE (PSCI)

PSCI A101 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

Survey of Current Issues

Grading Mode: Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

Transfer Credit: CSU; UC.

Survey of current issues and events in American and/or world politics. Focus will be on issues and problems of political significance, opposing viewpoints in the political realm, analysis and evaluation of arguments, and ideological and political conflict. May be taken for grades or on a pass-no pass basis.

PSCI A110 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

International Relations

Grading Mode: Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

Transfer Credit: CSU; UC.

Introduction to international relations theory with an examination of national, international, transnational, and sub-national actors and their institutions interactions and processes as they relate to global issues. Study of the functions of power, ideology, diplomacy, international law, and organization, as well as military and economic factors. Consideration of United States, Russian, and Chinese foreign policy and prominent cold war and post-cold war problems as they illustrate concepts of international politics. May be taken for grades or on a pass-no pass basis. **C-ID:** POLS 140.

PSCI A180 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

American Government

Grading Mode: Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

Transfer Credit: CSU; UC.

An introduction to the principles and problems of government with particular emphasis on the American political system at all levels. This course satisfies the state college requirements in the Constitution of the United States, state, and local governments. This course may also be offered online. May be taken for grades or on a pass-no pass basis. **C-ID:** POLS 110.

PSCI A180H 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

American Government Honors

Grading Mode: Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

Transfer Credit: CSU; UC.

An introduction to the principles and problems of government with particular emphasis on the American political system at all levels. This course satisfies the state college requirements in the Constitution of the United States, state, and local governments. May be taken for grades or on a pass-no pass basis. **C-ID:** POLS 110.

PSCI A185 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

Comparative Politics

Grading Mode: Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

Transfer Credit: CSU; UC.

An introduction to comparative empirical analysis of selected political systems, including advanced democracies, communist and former communist countries, and less developed countries, with an emphasis on governmental institutions and political processes. Particular attention is placed on the relationship between institutions and behavior. May be taken for grades or on a pass-no pass basis. **C-ID:** POLS 130.

PSCI A188 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

Introduction to Political Theory

Grading Mode: Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

Transfer Credit: CSU; UC.

An introduction to selected political theorists and concepts from Plato to the present. Focus on the Western tradition and its major texts by reading ancient, modern, and contemporary political thinkers to examine their arguments on the nature of government and politics. **C-ID:** POLS 120.

PSCI A190 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

Introduction to American Legal System

Grading Mode: Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

Transfer Credit: CSU; UC.

An overview of the American legal system, its structure, and history. Reviews many aspects of the law and judicial process: the adversarial system, powers and jurisdiction of the federal and state courts, judicial review, legal education, the legal profession, and other related topics. May be taken for grades or on a pass-no pass basis.

PSCI A200 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

Introduction to Political Science

Grading Mode: Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

Transfer Credit: CSU.

An introduction to the study of politics. Explores the approaches, theories, methods, and models of the discipline and its subfields to prepare students for a systematic examination of the political world and its many faces around the globe. **C-ID:** POLS 150.

PSCI A201 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

Introduction to Political Science Research Methods

Prerequisite(s): PSCI A180 or PSCI A180H.

Grading Mode: Standard Letter

Transfer Credit: CSU.

Introduction to the techniques used for research in the study of politics, including framing and clarifying research questions, systematic thinking about research design, the relationship between data and theory, using and assessing qualitative and quantitative methods, and learning the toolbox of methods of the discipline. **C-ID:** POLS 160.