

# POLITICAL STUDIES (POLS)

## **POLS 6010 The Manitoba Legislative Internship Seminar 6 cr**

This credit is granted to six individuals who annually complete the assignment as Legislative Interns within the Manitoba Legislative Assembly.

## **POLS 7100 The Study of Politics 3 cr**

This course introduces students to the academic discipline of Political Science via an exploration of its origins, evolutions, and challenges. Particular emphasis is placed on contemporary issues and debates. Course graded pass/fail.

## **POLS 7110 Major Research Paper 0 cr**

The Major Research Paper (or MRP) is designed for M.A. students in Political Studies who are doing the course-based stream. Students in this course will pursue individual research projects in an area of interest to them, once they have completed the majority of other program coursework. This course is evaluated on a pass/fail basis.

## **POLS 7130 Theories and Issues in Public Administration 3 cr**

Integrating theory and practice helps to better understand the challenges facing public administration. Topics covered include changing approaches to management, human resource and financial management, reporting, accountability, citizen engagement, and network governance. Restricted to MPA students.

## **POLS 7132 Public Policy Process and Issues 3 cr**

An introduction to the idea of policy analysis, including key foundational concepts and significant theories, models, and approaches; how and why the policy process operates as it does (empirical) and how and why some think it should (normative); and specific policy issues. Restricted to MPA students.

## **POLS 7134 Qualitative Methods and Communications for the Public Sector 3 cr**

Communication coupled with an understanding of qualitative research approaches are key to success in public administration. Topics include research design, policy research, referencing, evaluating writing and research, and presenting for results. Restricted to MPA students.

## **POLS 7136 Governance and Administration 3 cr**

An introduction to theories of organization and bureaucracy linked to administrative practices in the public sector. Governance models (Traditional Public Administration, New Public Management, Multi-level Governance) in the Canadian, provincial, and local context will be explored. Restricted to MPA students.

## **POLS 7138 Quantitative Methods for Policy Analysis 3 cr**

An introduction to quantitative methods, including research design, data collection techniques, basic statistical analysis, statistical significance, contingency tables, multiple regression; with an emphasis on reading tables and graphs and understanding statistical assumptions. Restricted to MPA students.

## **POLS 7140 Principles of Public Finance for Policy Analysis 3 cr**

An introduction to basic economic theories and tools used in public sector economics, which may include the economics/politics of taxing policies, externalities, theories of intergovernmental grants, major Canadian government spending programs, and new developments. Restricted to MPA students.

## **POLS 7142 Selected Topics in Public Administration 3 cr**

A course on a selected topic in the discipline of Public Administration. The content of this course will vary. Please contact department for a course description. Students can earn multiple credits for this course only when the topic subtitle is different.

## **POLS 7230 Comparative Politics of Advanced Industrial States 3 cr**

An introduction to the field of comparative politics through an examination of the key political issues facing advanced industrial states and how different political systems fare in dealing with them. Students may not hold credit for both POLS 7230 and the former POLS 7720.

**Mutually Exclusive:** POLS 7720

## **POLS 7270 Selected Topics in Politics 3 cr**

A course on a selected topic in the discipline of Political Science. The content of this course will vary. Please contact department for a course description. Students can earn multiple credits for this course only when the topic subtitle is different.

## **POLS 7280 Directed Readings in Politics 3 cr**

An independent reading and/or research course on a selected topic in political studies, undertaken and arranged in consultation with the prospective instructor, upon the approval of the Graduate Committee. The course content may vary. Students can earn multiple credits for this course only when the topic subtitle is different.

## **POLS 7290 Directed Readings in Politics 2 6 cr**

An independent reading and/or research course on a selected topic undertaken and arranged in consultation with the prospective instructor, upon approval of the Graduate Committee. The course content may vary. Students can earn multiple credits for this course only when the topic subtitle is different.

## **POLS 7300 Directed Readings in Public Administration 3 cr**

An independent reading and/or research course on a selected topic undertaken and arranged in consultation with the prospective instructor, upon approval of the Graduate Committee. The course content may vary. Students can earn multiple credits for this course only when the topic subtitle is different.

## **POLS 7330 State-Civil Society Relations 3 cr**

An examination of how the state relates to civil society actors, notably the voluntary sector in Canada. Students will critically assess the role voluntary organizations play - and should play - in governing process.

## **POLS 7340 Canadian Government 3 cr**

Examines the core institutions of Canadian Government and politics including parliamentary government, federalism, the Constitution and the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

## **POLS 7350 Canadian Democracy 3 cr**

Examines the core institutions and processes of Canadian democracy including political parties, elections, voting, social movements, interest groups and public opinion.

## **POLS 7370 Seminar in the Theory and Practice of Public Administration 6 cr**

The intent of this course is to provide insight into the exigencies of actual public administration. The course will be conducted on a topical basis within the framework of certain trends facing Canadian governments today. (The course will attempt to utilize, to the fullest extent possible, the particular expertise of students in the program, faculty members, and of both elected and appointed public officials.)

## **POLS 7410 Selected Topics in Political Behaviour 1 3 cr**

A systematic examination of empirical research in the area of political socialization and political culture.

**POLS 7470 Strategic Human Resource Management in Government 3 cr**

A study of the human resource management functions, including planning, staffing, training, performance management, compensation and labour relations, in ways that optimize organizational performance. This course will also address contemporary challenges including recruitment and retention, managing change, demographic shifts, and information technology.

**POLS 7520 The Political Classics 3 cr**

A thorough study of selected works with special attention to methodology, historical content, theoretical position and universal significance.

**POLS 7530 International Political Economy 3 cr**

An examination of the systematic study of international political economy. Particular attention is paid to the foreign economic policies of advanced industrialized states and the various issues surrounding the redistribution of wealth and influence in the contemporary international system.

**POLS 7550 Contemporary Issues in Canadian Politics 3 cr**

A seminar series examining a contemporary debate in Canadian politics and government. The specific topic will vary from year to year depending on faculty interest and specialization.

**POLS 7610 Political Theory and Contemporary Issues 3 cr**

An examination of recent theoretical perspectives on contemporary political institutions, problems and values.

**POLS 7710 Liberalism and Its Critics 3 cr**

An advanced study of liberalism and various theoretical challenges to its ethical and political claims.

**POLS 7790 International Relations Theory 3 cr**

A critical assessment of basic theories and models used in International Relations, emphasizing theoretical approaches and research.

**POLS 7800 MPA Co-operative Education Term 1 0 cr**

This work term enables MPA students to gain experience in public or non-profit sector employment. Work terms are normally paid positions offered by employers in the public or non-profit sectors for a minimum of 13 weeks. Learning objectives are established by the employer, in conjunction with the student and Co-op Course Director. Students with significant public or non-profit sector work experience may apply to have this course requirement waived. Course graded pass/fail.

**POLS 7810 MPA Co-operative Education Term 2 0 cr**

This work term enables MPA students to gain experience in public or non-profit sector employment. Work terms are normally paid positions offered by employers in the public or non-profit sectors for a minimum of 13 weeks. Learning objectives are established by the employer, in conjunction with the student and Co-op Course Director. Students with significant public or non-profit sector work experience may apply to have this course requirement waived. Course graded pass/fail.

**POLS 7850 Contemporary Strategic and Security Studies 6 cr**

An advanced course in strategic studies. The evolution of strategic thought in the modern period will be examined, and particular emphasis will be placed on the role of armed force in relation to the problem of international security.

**PR/CR: A minimum grade of C is required unless otherwise indicated.**

Prerequisite: POLS 4730 or consent of instructor.

**POLS 7910 Multivariate Research Methods 3 cr**

Introduction to the theory and application of multivariate regression models in political analysis.

**POLS 7980 Professional Development 3 cr**

Students will build employment-related skills such as interpersonal communications, presentation, leadership, career development, and software-related skills. They will bridge theory and practice through participation and reflection in community events and workshops. Restricted to MPA students. Course graded Pass/Fail.

**POLS 7990 MPA Capstone Seminar 3 cr**

Students pursue individual supervised projects that allow them to integrate theory and practice in an original topic in public administration and/or public policy, drawing on their skills and knowledge gained through the program. These projects will be presented in a semester-end colloquium. Restricted to MPA students.

**POLS 9010 UW POL 4301 Administrative Theory 6 cr**

Course may be taken as part of a Master of Public Administration program offered jointly with the University of Winnipeg.

**POLS 9020 UW POL 4400 Seminar in Canadian Politics 6 cr**

Course may be taken as part of a Master of Public Administration program offered jointly with the University of Winnipeg.

**POLS 9030 UW POL 4415 State and Economy 6 cr**

Course may be taken as part of a Master of Public Administration program offered jointly with the University of Winnipeg.

**POLS 9040 UW GPOL 7700 Theories and Issues in Public Administration 3 cr**

Course may be taken as part of a Master of Public Administration program offered jointly with the University of Winnipeg.

**POLS 9090 UW GPOL-7331 Directed Readings in Public Administration 6 cr**

Course may be taken as part of a Master of Public Administration program offered jointly with the University of Winnipeg.

**POLS 9242 UW POL-4505 Politics of Urban Planning 3 cr**

Course may be taken as part of a Master of Public Administration program offered jointly with the University of Winnipeg.

**POLS 9250 UW GPOL 7710 Public Policy Process and Issues 3 cr**

Course may be taken as part of a Master of Public Administration program offered jointly with the University of Winnipeg.

**POLS 9260 UW GPOL 7720 Governance and Administration 3 cr**

Course may be taken as part of a Master of Public Administration program offered jointly with the University of Winnipeg.

**POLS 9340 UW GPOL-7300 Seminar in Theory and Practice of Public Administration I 3 cr**

Course may be taken as part of a Master of Public Administration program offered jointly with the University of Winnipeg.

**POLS 9350 UW GPOL-7305 Seminar in Theory and Practice of Public Administration II 3 cr**

Course may be taken as part of a Master of Public Administration program offered jointly with the University of Winnipeg.

**POLS 9370 UW GPOL-7320 Seminar in the Public Policy Process 3 cr**

Course may be taken as part of a Master of Public Administration program offered jointly with the University of Winnipeg.

**POLS 9380 UW GPOL-7325 Seminar in Public Policy Issues 3 cr**

Course may be taken as part of a Master of Public Administration program offered jointly with the University of Winnipeg.

**POLS 9420 UW GPOL 7730 Principles of Public Finance for Policy Analysis 3 cr**

Course may be taken as part of a Master of Public Administration program offered jointly with the University of Winnipeg.

**POLS 9470 UW GPOL-7335 Directed Readings in Public Administration 3 cr**

Course may be taken as part of a Master of Public Administration program offered jointly with the University of Winnipeg.

**POLS 9540 UW POL 4515 Inner City Seminar 6 cr**

Course may be taken as part of a Master of Public Administration program offered jointly with the University of Winnipeg.

**POLS 9560 UW POL 4105 Seminar in Global Political Economy 3 cr**

Course may be taken as part of a Master of Public Administration program offered jointly with the University of Winnipeg.

**POLS 9570 UW POL 4100 Seminar in Global Politics 3 cr**

Course may be taken as part of a Master of Public Administration program offered jointly with the University of Winnipeg.

**POLS 9606 UW GPOL-7385 Special Topics in Public Administration 3 cr**

Course may be taken as part of a Master of Public Administration program offered jointly with the University of Winnipeg.

**POLS 9608 UW POL 4121 Special Topics in Global Politics 3 cr**

Course may be taken as part of a Master of Public Administration program offered jointly with the University of Winnipeg.

**POLS 9610 UW GPOL 7760 MPA Capstone Seminar 3 cr**

Course may be taken as part of a Master of Public Administration program offered jointly with the University of Winnipeg.

**POLS 9612 UW GPOL-7505 The Politics of Urban Development 3 cr**

Course may be taken as part of a Master of Public Administration program offered jointly with the University of Winnipeg.

**POLS 9620 UW GPOL 7770 Professional Development 3 cr**

Course may be taken as part of a Master of Public Administration program offered jointly with the University of Winnipeg.

**POLS 9630 UW GPOL 7740 Quantitative Methods for Policy Analysis 3 cr**

Course may be taken as part of a Master of Public Administration program offered jointly with the University of Winnipeg.

**POLS 9640 UW GPOL 7750 Qualitative Methods and Communication for the Public Sector 3 cr**

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