POLITICAL SCIENCE COURSE OFFERINGS FOR SPRING 2019

POL 20000 American National Government (3): J. Gaziano, J. Liesen, M. Lowry-Fitz
A comprehensive survey of the basic premises, permanent institutions and policy making processes of the American national government is presented.

POL 21000 State and Local Government (3): S. Nawara
A review of the institutions, functions and operations of state and local government, this class takes a comparative approach, examining the similarities and differences of political institutions in the 50 states.

POL 25000 Political Science Research Methods (1): S. Nawara
Learn how to conduct and analyze political science research by exploring topics that you find interesting throughout a semester-long research project. This class also will introduce you to Stata, a valuable computer program that will help you work with and analyze real-world data.

POL 30601-001 Special Topics: Community Engaged Learning Leadership Seminar (3): L. Wilmarth-Tyna
This course will investigate the distinctions among volunteerism, service, and community engagement, especially through community engaged learning (ECL), with attention to the strengths and challenges of this pedagogy. Course reading and discussion will challenge students to connect their community involvement to Catholic Social teaching and Lewis University's Lasallian tradition, and will provide opportunities for dialogue about mutually beneficial community relationships and leadership for social change. Students will be invited to consider their personal leadership style and to develop their skills in the areas of facilitation and reflection.

POL 33100 International Relations (3): J. Delacour
Students will examine the evolution of world political systems and the various methods of analysis used in international relations. In addition to examining the forces and actors that influence world politics, students will look at the prominent issues in international politics, such as national and international security, weapons proliferation, political economy, human rights, and the global environment.

POL 33300 International Human Rights (3): J. Delacour
This course will discuss the history and theoretical foundations of human rights, addressing the various types of political, economic, social, and group rights. Students examine the challenges of enforcing international human rights and how intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations respond to human rights violations.

POL 33600 American Foreign Policy (3): S. Nawara
This course examines the forces that shape United States foreign policy, including interest groups, the Constitution and Congress. Issues of current importance, such as terrorism, the threat of nuclear weapons and the changing goals of foreign policy, are examined.

POL 34200 Public Finance (3): O. Adeoye
This course provides a study of the problems and means by which governments are financed. The course covers types of taxes, tax bases, theories of taxation, the economic condition of the country, government borrowing and the role of the budget in national objectives.

POL 36000 Pre-Law Seminar: Law School Preparation (1): Staff
This course is a weekly seminar for students interested in applying to law school. Students will learn about the legal profession and its various fields, the writing style required, the process of preparing for the LSAT, and how to apply to law school.

POL 36300 American Political Thought (3): L. Liesen
This course examines the ideas and people who have helped shape American political thought from colonial times to the present. Students will examine various writers who discuss the themes of democracy, liberty, equality, rights, and the role of government.

POL 41000 International Relations Capstone (3): J. Delacour
This course integrates all aspects of the learning experience for those students taking the International Relations major, and should be one of the final courses taken in the program and would normally be taken in the senior year. The course offers advanced analysis and application of knowledge evaluation. This course is an intensive advanced writing course that satisfies the advanced writing requirement for General Education.