



History & Political Science

Purposes

- To emphasize rigorous analysis of political structures, historical changes and continuities, and human relationships;
- To train students in the craft of communicating their ideas orally and in writing with precision and formal organization;
- To help students attain career-enhancing experiences outside the classroom;
- To equip students for immediate entry into either graduate/law school or a chosen career.

Tradition of Excellence

The Department of History and Political Science has a strong tradition of encouraging scholarship for service. The faculty not only have earned doctorates and personal scholarly pursuits, they also have abiding commitments to helping students learn about the people, events, and political structures that have created, and are creating, the world in which we live. The classroom goal of understanding is coupled with Wesleyan emphasis on human responsibility and creativity: To whom much is given, much is expected. Each of the four majors offers distinct avenues of study and career options; however, the students and faculty are joined in the belief that intelligent and wise Christians can be a force for good in the world. Small classes, student clubs, student-faculty dinners, shared travel opportunities, internship experiences, visiting lectures, and tight-knit departmental friendships make for a deeply happy scholarly life under the roof of Colt Hall. Housed also in Colt Hall and overseen by our faculty are the Institute of Politics and Public Service, the Margaret Stevenson Center for Women's Studies, and the Pre-Law Program

Career Opportunities

Most graduates pursue careers in social service, government, teaching, ministry, and law. The department helps students find internships that fit career targets. Over the last decade a strong track record has been established for placing students, often with excellent scholarships and fellowships, in high-quality graduate schools, including Berkeley, Harvard, Yale, UCSD, and UCLA. Our hope is that these who are beginning their post-graduate careers will follow in the footsteps of our older alumni who include college professors, librarians, directors of relief agencies, judges, public policy experts, school administrators, diplomats, leaders within church denominations, and a university president. Students are encouraged and empowered in the department to be creative with their lives in the service of church, community, nation, and world.

Majors and Minor

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History

International Studies

- Peace Studies
- Europe
- Middle East
- Russia and the Former Soviet Union
- Asia
- Latin America

Political Science

Social Science

Minor

History

Faculty

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International Studies *Major*

LOWER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS

COURSE #	TITLE	UNITS
ECO 101	Macroeconomics*	3
POL 230	Introduction to International Relations	4
POL 290	World Regional Geography	3
SOC 201	Cultural Anthropology*	3
	TOTAL	13

UPPER-DIVISION CORE REQUIREMENTS

COURSE #	TITLE	UNITS
POL 437	International Political Economy	4
POL 435	Global Governance	4
POL 439	Theories of International Politics	4

**General Education Requirement*

ELECTIVES: 16 units from the following (will not count toward concentration).

COURSE #	TITLE	UNITS
POL 301	European Governments and European Union	4
POL 394	Government and Politics of the Global South	4
POL 350	Rebuilding Devastated States	2
POL 351	War and Peace Studies	4
POL 420	United States Foreign Policy	4
POL 442	Contemporary Issues in World Politics	4
POL 450	Issues of Global Human Rights	2
POL 415	Women in Politics	4
HIS 415	Europe and the World	4
HIS 413	Modern Europe	4
HIS 350	Islamic Civilizations	4
HIS 355	Modern Middle East	4
HIS 340	Russia to 1900	4
HIS 342	Twentieth Century Russia and the Soviet Union	4
HIS 357	Modern East Asia	4
HIS 360	Modern South Asia	4
HIS 430	Latin America	4
ECO 315	Theories of Economic Development	4

History *Major*

LOWER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS

COURSE #	TITLE	UNITS
HIS 270	Research Methods	4

UPPER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS

<i>Non-Western electives</i>		8
HIS 340	Russia to 1900	4
HIS 342	Twentieth Century Russia and the Soviet Union	4
HIS 350	Islamic Civilization	4
HIS 355	Modern Middle East	4
HIS 357	Modern East Asia	4
HIS 360	Modern South Asia	4
<i>European electives</i>		8
HIS 306	Birth of Europe	4
HIS 308	Early Modern Europe	4
HIS 311	European Intellectual History	4
HIS 413	Nineteenth-Century Europe	4
HIS 414	Twentieth-Century Europe	4
HIS 415	Europe and the World	4
HIS 475	Topics in Women's History	4
<i>American electives</i>		8
HIS 312	First Americans	4
HIS 316	Colonial and Revolutionary America	4
HIS 320	Nineteenth Century United States	4
HIS 370	California History	4
HIS 380	America in the 1960's	4
HIS 425	Twentieth Century United States	4
HIS 480	Seminar in San Diego History	4
• Any additional upper-division History courses		16
	TOTAL	40

CONCENTRATIONS (8-12 UNITS)

Students must declare a concentration in either Peace Studies or a Geographic Region. Students may also complete an individualized concentration consisting of 8-12 units of relevant coursework and an approved OCP program. Individualized concentrations must be approved by the Department of History and Political Science.

COURSE # TITLEUNITS

PEACE STUDIES

POL 351	War and Peace Studies	4
POL 350	Rebuilding Devastated States	2
POL 450	Issues of Global Human Rights	2
POL 460	Internship in Political Science	2-4

EUROPE

HIS 413	Modern Europe	4
HIS 415	Europe and the World	4
POL 301	European Governments and European Union	4

MIDDLE EAST

HIS 350	Islamic Civilizations	4
HIS355	Modern Middle East	4
POL 394	Government and Politics of the Global South	4

RUSSIA AND THE FORMER SOVIET UNION

HIS 340	Russia to 1900	4
HIS 342	Twentieth Century Russia and the Soviet Union	4

ASIA

HIS 357	Modern East Asia	4
HIS 360	Modern South Asia	4
POL 394	Government and Politics of the Global South	4

LATIN AMERICA

HIS 430	Latin America	4
POL 394	Government and Politics of the Global South	4

OFF-CAMPUS COOPERATIVE PROGRAM (OCP) OR WORLD CAPITALS (POL 391):

Students must enroll in either an approved Off-Campus Cooperative Program or World Capitals program. Acceptable programs must involve a significant period of study outside of the United States. The International Studies advisor in the Department of History and Political Science makes the final determination on acceptable programs. Students doing the Peace Studies track must also complete a 2-unit internship either during their time away or upon their return to the University.

Political Science *Major*

LOWER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS

COURSE #	TITLE	UNITS
POL 101	Intro to Political Science	3
POL 165	American Government	4
POL 230	Intro to International Relations	4
POL 270	Scope and Methods of Political Science	4
TOTAL		15

UPPER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS

American Government

Eight units from:

POL 320	U.S. Constitution and Civil Liberties Law	4
POL 341	Campaigns and Elections in an Electronic Age	4
POL 360	California Government and Politics	4
POL 380	Congress and the Presidency	4
POL 415	Women and Politics	4
POL 441	Issues in Public Policy	4

Global Politics

Eight units from:

POL 351	War and Peace Studies	4
POL 420	United States Foreign Policy	4
POL 435	Global Governance	4
POL 439	Theories of International Politics	4
POL 442	Contemporary Issues in World Politics	4
POL 450	Issues of Global Human Rights	2

Comparative Government

Four units from:

POL 301	European Governments and European Union	4
POL 350	Rebuilding Devastated States	2
POL 394	Governments and Politics of the Global South	4

Theory

Four units from:

POL 321	Western Political Thought	4
POL 325	American Political Thought	4
POL 330	The Development of Feminist Thought	4

Capitals Program

Minimum six units from:

POL 390	American Capitals Program	3-12
POL 391	World Capitals Program	3-12

Internships

POL 460	Internship in Political Science	2-4
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Electives

Eight upper-division units in Political Science	
TOTAL	40-48

Social Science *Major*

This major is specifically designed for secondary teaching. Students desiring to become secondary social science teachers should complete the Single Subject requirements as outlined under the School of Education.

LOWER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS

COURSE #	TITLE	UNITS
HIS 110	World Civilizations I	.3
HIS 111	World Civilizations II	.3
ECO 101	Principles of Economics I	.3
ECO 102	Principles of Economics II	.3
SOC 101	Intro to Sociology	.3
POL 165	American Government	.4
POL 190	The Politics of Race, Class, and Gender	.4
POL 290	World Regional Geography	.3
	TOTAL	.26

UPPER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS

COURSE #	TITLE	UNITS
HIS 320	Nineteenth Century United States	.4
HIS 370	California	.4
HIS 425	Twentieth Century United States	.4
<i>One course from:</i>		
HIS 306	Birth of Europe	.4
HIS 308	Early Modern Europe	.4
HIS 413	Nineteenth-Century Europe	.4
HIS 414	Twentieth-Century Europe	.4
HIS 415	Europe and the World	.4
<i>One course from:</i>		
HIS 312	First Americans	.4
HIS 316	Colonial and Revolutionary America	.4
<i>One course from:</i>		
HIS 350	Islamic Civilization	.4
HIS 355	Modern Middle East	.4
HIS 357	Modern East Asia	.4
HIS 360	Modern South Asia	.4
HIS 430	Latin America	.4
<i>One course, following major emphasis, from:</i>		
HIS 270	Research Methods	.4
POL 270	Scope and Methods of Pol. Science	.4
SOC 460	Social Research Methods and Design	.4
<i>One course from:</i>		
POL 330	The Development of Feminist Thought	.4
POL 415	Women and Politics	.4
SOC 320	Social Psychology	.3
SOC 350	Urban Psychology	.3
SOC 360	Ethnic and Status Groups	.3
	TOTAL	.31-32

History *Minor*

A History minor, consisting of 18 units, is available for those in other majors who nevertheless desire to learn some of the skills and content available to History majors. The requirements are:

COURSE #	TITLE	UNITS
HIS 110	World Civilizations I	.3
HIS 111	World Civilizations II	.3
	• One course from Non-Western electives	
	• One course from European electives	
	• One course from American electives	
	TOTAL	.18

History *Courses*

HIS 110 (3) WORLD CIVILIZATIONS I-GE

A survey of world societies from the earliest Eurasian civilizations to the era of European expansion in the 16th century. Offered every fall and spring.

HIS 111 (3) WORLD CIVILIZATIONS II-GE

A survey of world societies from the era of European voyages of discovery to the formation of a global civilization in the late 20th century. Offered every fall and spring.

HIS 270 (4) RESEARCH METHODS

An introduction to historical methods and the skills necessary for upper division work in history. While writing several short papers and one major research paper, students will practice a wide range of research skills such as analyzing primary and secondary texts, working in archives and libraries, editing and revising, note taking, and documentation. In addition, class readings on contemporary historiography and new methods such as cultural studies and material culture will acquaint students with the wide range of approaches to history. Students will also visit local libraries, archives, and museums, and will be encouraged to investigate the opportunities available for internships and career development during their student years.

HIS 306 (4) BIRTH OF EUROPE

Beginning with the decline of the Roman Empire and rise of Europe in the West, this course focuses on the political and intellectual rise of the Western Christendom and what would become France, Germany, and England. Emphasis is placed on the development of education, monasticism, papacy, cities, kingship, law and the continuing legacy of the Roman Empire. Offered spring 2006.