

## Public Policy

### *Interdisciplinary*

The concentration stresses the analysis and understanding of public policy. Participants will learn how to apply the disciplines of economics, political science, and sociology to analyze public policy problems and to understand how public policy is formulated and implemented. Students begin by taking foundation courses in economics and political science. The principles learned in these courses will then be applied to specific policy areas in the elective courses. In a typical program, a student would take ECON 101 and 102 as a first-year or sophomore student, PSCI 310 in the sophomore year, one and a half (1.5) units of electives following these foundation courses, and a seminar (300- or 400-level) with a public policy focus in the senior year.

Any course taken on a pass/D/fail basis will not count toward the concentration requirements. This includes the foundation courses in the concentration (ECON 101, 102 and PSCI 310).

### Requirements for the Concentration

The concentration encompasses three and a half (3.5) units in economics, political science, and/or sociology. All students are required to take three foundation courses (ECON 101, 102 and PSCI 310) and a 300- or 400-level seminar. The remaining one and a half (1.5) units will be selected from the electives designated as appropriate for the concentration. Students must choose elective courses from at least two different departments.

### Required Courses (offered every year)

ECON 101 Principles of Microeconomics  
 ECON 102 Principles of Macroeconomics  
 PSCI 310 Public Policy

### Economics Electives (not offered every year)

\*indicates counts as a seminar

ECON 331 Economics of Development  
 ECON 336 Environmental Economics  
 ECON 338 International Trade  
 ECON 339 International Finance and Open-Economy Macroeconomics  
 ECON 342 Economics of Regulation  
 ECON 343 Money and Financial Markets  
  
 ECON 344 Labor Economics  
 ECON 347 Economics of the Public Sector  
 ECON 355 Business Cycles  
 ECON 358 The Federal Reserve System  
 ECON 359 History of Political Economy  
 ECON 373 Economic Growth\*  
 ECON 378 Economics of Women and Work\*  
 ECON 382 Economics of Education\*  
 ECON 383 American Economic History\*  
 ECON 386 Economics of Health\*

## Political Science Electives (not offered every year)

\*indicates counts as a seminar

PSCI 300 Congress and Public Policymaking  
PSCI 313 Making U.S. Foreign Policy  
PSCI 315 Gender and Politics in the U.S.  
PSCI 342 Politics of Development  
PSCI 355 Immigration, Citizenship and National Identity  
PSCI 361 Globalization  
PSCI 363 Global Environmental Politics  
PSCI 364 American Environmental Politics and Policy  
PSCI 366 Global Poverty, Policy, and Politics  
PSCI 446 The Politics of the Welfare State\*  
PSCI 465 International Terrorism\*  
PSCI 470 Power, States and Markets: The Making of Modern Social Order\*  
PSCI 476 International Organizations\*  
PSCI 480 Science and Politics\*

## Sociology Electives (not offered every year)

SOCY 222 Economy and Society  
SOCY 223 Wealth and Power  
SOCY 224 Sociology of Health and Illness  
SOCY 225 Notions of Family  
SOCY 232 Sexual Harassment: Normative Expectations and Legal Questions  
SOCY 237 Border and Border Crossings  
SOCY 252 Cultural Foundations of Politics

The co-directors for the concentration will certify when students have completed the concentration. Courses taken for the concentration may also count for the major.

## Courses in Public Policy

### *Courses that Meet the Requirements for this Concentration*

ECON 101: Principles of Microeconomics  
ECON 102: Principles of Macroeconomics  
ECON 331: Economics of Development  
ECON 336: Environmental Economics  
ECON 338: International Trade  
ECON 339: International Finance and Open-Economy Macroeconomics  
  
ECON 342: Economics of Regulation  
ECON 343: Money and Financial Markets  
ECON 344: Labor Economics  
ECON 345: Futures and Options  
ECON 347: Economics of the Public Sector  
ECON 358: The Federal Reserve System  
ECON 359: History of Political Economy  
ECON 373: Economic Growth  
ECON 378: Economics of Women and Work  
ECON 382: Economics of Education

ECON 383: American Economic History  
ECON 386: Economics of Health  
PSCI 300: Congress and Public Policymaking  
PSCI 310: Public Policy  
PSCI 313: Making U.S. Foreign Policy  
PSCI 315: Gender and Politics in the U.S.  
PSCI 342: Politics of Development  
PSCI 355: Immigration, Citizenship and National Identity  
PSCI 361: Globalization  
PSCI 363: Global Environmental Politics  
PSCI 364: American Environmental Politics and Policy  
PSCI 446: The Politics of the Welfare State  
PSCI 465: International Terrorism  
PSCI 470: Power, States and Markets: The Making of Modern Social Order  
PSCI 476: International Organization  
PSCI 480: Science and Politics  
SOCY 222: Economy and Society  
SOCY 223: Wealth and Power  
SOCY 224: Sociology of Health and Illness  
SOCY 225: Notions of Family  
SOCY 232: Sexual Harassment: Normative Expectations and Legal Questions  
SOCY 237: Borders and Border Crossings