PSC 103 The American Constitution 3 Credits
Provides a thorough grounding in the U.S. Constitution, which is America’s founding document, and serves as the basis for its governmental system.
Fulfills College Core: Field 5 (Social Sciences)
Offered: fall & spring.

PSC 104 American Political Process 3 Credits
An introduction to American politics including political socialization, public opinion and ideologies, political participation in electoral systems and mass movements, political parties and interest groups.
Fulfills College Core: Field 5 (Social Sciences)
Offered: fall & spring.

PSC 111 Western Political Tradition 3 Credits
Development of Western political tradition from Machiavelli to present, emphasizing development of liberal, conservative and socialist traditions.
Fulfills College Core: Field 4 (History), Justice
Offered: fall & spring.

PSC 140 International Relations 3 Credits
Fulfills College Core: Field 5 (Social Sciences), Global Awareness
Offered: every fall.

PSC 150 Comparative Government and Politics 3 Credits
Comparative analysis of foreign countries. Governments, ideologies, parties, elections, political culture, civil society and democracy in industrialized and developing countries.
Fulfills College Core: Field 5 (Social Sciences), Global Awareness
Offered: every fall.

PSC 155 Comparative Economic Systems 3 Credits
Comparison of economic systems. Capitalism, Socialism, and democracy in developing countries.
Fulfills College Core: Field 4 (History), Justice
Offered: fall & spring.

PSC 190 Introduction to Political Science 3 Credits
Survey of political science, including governmental systems, political behavior, and theories of politics. Cross-listed with IDS 190.
Fulfills College Core: Field 5 (Social Sciences), Field 6 (Social Sciences)
Offered: every fall.

PSC 215 National Issues and Public Policy 3 Credits
Selected policy issues and their relationship to the political process including health care, homeland security, welfare and housing.
Offered: fall of even-numbered years.

PSC 224 Congress and the Legislative Process 3 Credits
Survey of Congressional procedures and practices. Emphasis on recent changes within Congress, and the position of Congress in the U.S. political and governmental system.
Fulfills College Core: Field 5 (Social Sciences), Oral Communication
Offered: fall of even-numbered years.

PSC 225 U.S. Presidency 3 Credits
Survey of the U.S. executive branch of government, including President, Vice President, White House staff, Executive office and the bureaucracy.
Offered: fall of odd-numbered years.

PSC 233 Interest Groups and Public Opinion in America 3 Credits
Development of the notions of opinion and interest, their transmission and their influence on decision-making.
Offered: spring of even-numbered years.

PSC 236 Political Campaigning 3 Credits
Campaigning resources, techniques, strategies and goals. Practical and theoretical treatment. Field research.
Offered: spring of odd-numbered years.

PSC 237 State and Local Politics 3 Credits
The institutions and policies of state and local governments, with focus on New York State. State and local elections, gubernatorial politics, state legislatures, community politics.
Offered: fall of odd-numbered years.

PSC 241 Human Rights and Globalization 3 Credits
Fulfills College Core: Field 5 (Social Sciences), Global Awareness
Offered: every fall.

PSC 242 International Organizations 3 Credits
International and transnational. Intergovernmental and non-governmental. Regional and global. Content areas: political, economic and humanitarian.
Fulfills College Core: Advanced Writing-Intensive, Field 5 (Social Sciences), Global Awareness
Offered: fall of odd-numbered years.

PSC 245 American Foreign Policy 3 Credits
US foreign relations in political perspective, including diplomatic history since 1945, as well as government structure, decision-making processes, and controversial foreign policy issues.
Offered: every fall.

PSC 250 Politics in Latin America 3 Credits
History of Latin America. Introduces the region’s political, economic, and social characteristics. In-depth analysis of issues and countries in the region.
Fulfills College Core: Field 5 (Social Sciences)
Offered: every spring.

PSC 270 Information Literacy in the 21st Century: Facing Borders 3 Credits
Introduces students to the concept of information literacy, “a set of abilities requiring individuals to recognize when information is needed and have the ability to locate, evaluate, and use effectively the needed information” (ALA, 1989). Over the course of the semester students will learn to apply these abilities to conduct research effectively and efficiently.
Fulfills College Core: Global Awareness
Offered: Fall.

PSC 301 The American Constitution 3 Credits
Provides a thorough grounding in the U.S. Constitution, which is America’s founding document, and serves as the basis for its governmental system.
Fulfills College Core: Field 5 (Social Sciences), Field 6 (Social Sciences)
Offered: every fall.

PSC 390 Independent Study 3 Credits
Independent study under the supervision of a faculty member.
Offered: every semester.

PSC 391 Special Topics 3 Credits
Special topics in political science.
Offered: according to need.

PSC 401 Senior Seminar 3 Credits
A seminar in advanced political science. Topics vary from year to year.
Fulfills College Core: Advanced Writing-Intensive
Offered: every spring.

PSC 480 Internship 3 Credits
A supervised internship in a political science related field.
Fulfills College Core: Field 5 (Social Sciences)
Offered: every semester.

PSC 490 Independent Study 3 Credits
Independent study under the supervision of a faculty member.
Offered: according to need.

PSC 491 Special Topics 3 Credits
Special topics in political science.
Offered: according to need.

PSC 499 Internship 3 Credits
A supervised internship in a political science related field.
Fulfills College Core: Field 5 (Social Sciences)
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<td>PSC 336</td>
<td>Urban Government and Politics</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Structure, function, operation and politics of local government. Machine and reform models, power and participation. Significant policy issues to be addressed include schools, finances, land use, planning and crime.</td>
<td>College Core: Field 5 (Social Sciences)</td>
<td>fall of even-numbered years.</td>
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<td>PSC 345</td>
<td>Transnational Crime After 9/11</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Cross-border organized crime and responses, especially in North America and Europe. Emphasis on drug trafficking, terrorism and irregular immigration, Crime-fighting, counter-terrorism, border management and international police cooperation.</td>
<td>College Core: Field 5 (Social Sciences), Global Awareness</td>
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<td>PSC 355</td>
<td>European Union</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>History of European integration. Structure, process and politics of EU policies. Optional co-curricular international, intercollegiate simulation of the EU and travel (EuroSim).</td>
<td>College Core: Field 5 (Social Sciences), Global Awareness</td>
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<td>PSC 360</td>
<td>Political Economy of the Developing World</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Reviews the main theories on development. Explores the relationship between international and domestic factor in fostering development.</td>
<td>College Core: Field 5 (Social Sciences)</td>
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<td>PSC 370</td>
<td>Domestic Conflicts &amp; Peace</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Examines the factors that account for domestic conflicts. Explores the different mechanisms for their resolution and the challenges faced by post-conflict societies.</td>
<td>College Core: Advanced Writing-Intensive, Field 5 (Social Sciences)</td>
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<td>PSC 401</td>
<td>Political Science Capstone</td>
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<td>Focuses on professional development and career planning related to the major, including law, government, politics, lobbying, security, international affairs, teaching, and business. Classroom sessions and online assignments to prepare students for post-graduate success.</td>
<td>College Core: Field 5 (Social Sciences)</td>
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<td>PSC 420</td>
<td>The Constitution, The War on Terror and Civil Liberties</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Civil liberties issues in the war on terrorism. Treatment and rights of detainees, enhanced interrogation, ethnic and racial profiling, use of the war power including drone strikes, data collection, Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act; U.S. citizens as enemy combatants. Military detention and trial of terrorist suspects.</td>
<td>College Core: Field 5 (Social Sciences)</td>
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<td>PSC 442</td>
<td>Seminar in International Relations</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Theoretically informed perspectives on global affairs explored through selected topics and issues unified by a central theme, such as leaders and leadership in international politics.</td>
<td>College Core: Core Capstone</td>
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<td>PSC 498</td>
<td>Internship</td>
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<td>A variety of opportunities are available locally, as well as in Washington, DC and Albany. Internships arranged by faculty members in government, law offices and non-profit organizations. Prior to seeking approval, a student must work with a faculty member to develop a syllabus of learning goals, written outputs and deadlines. Pass-Fail. Does not apply as a major elective.</td>
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<td>PSC 499</td>
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<td>Research and/or directed reading under direction of faculty members associated with the Political Science department. Prior to seeking approval, a student must work with a faculty member and his/her on-site supervisor to develop a syllabus of learning goals, written outputs and deadlines. Independent studies require an application and approval by the associate dean.</td>
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