

GOVERNMENT *College of Social & Behavioral Sciences and Social Work*

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BA	Minor	Certificates

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UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

The Department of Government and the International Affairs Program offer courses focusing largely on the study of political science, a liberal arts discipline which seeks to understand the political condition and potential of humanity. Each of the department's three degree programs is designed to provide the student with a broad understanding of political phenomena suitable to a liberal arts degree. Thus each, regardless of its specific content, requires courses in political philosophy, in American political institutions and processes and in comparative and/or international politics. In addition, the pre-law program is designed to prepare the student for a particular vocational goal. The department's International Affairs Program provides a more interdisciplinary approach to the study of government and politics. The discipline of Political Science—and therefore the program of the Department of Government—is strongly committed to a liberal arts orientation. In concert with the rest of the university the department believes also in linking traditional liberal arts preparation with meaningful career preparation through the inclusion of minor and supporting coursework and/or through student involvement in certificate programs in this or other departments. Employment opportunities for graduates are many and varied. A number of those who graduate each year continue their studies in law or other professional and graduate programs. A similar number find employment in the public sector or with domestic or international business firms. Opportunities also exist in party politics, campaign organizations, the military forces or with the communications media.

The department maintains close relations with the programs in Criminal Justice and contains the International Affairs program. In each, selected government courses are required parts of the core curriculum.

Internship and Work-Study Programs for Students: The department maintains a dynamic internship program which provides practical experience with local political and governmental agencies and annually sponsors a winter quarter in Olympia in which selected students intern with the Washington State Legislature. When possible, it is strongly urged that students include an internship as a part of their program.

In addition to external internships, students may gain practical experience through a combination of work/study and internship with a particular faculty member. Students qualifying for such programs assist the professor to whom they are assigned with research work in an area of the faculty member's interest. The department has an active faculty with diverse research interests who have produced books and monographs, presented papers at conventions of national and regional Political Science associations and of other, more specialized scholarly organizations and completed research grants funded by agencies of the government. The opportunity to assist in such work is of value particularly to those students planning to continue their studies, or to work in the public sector in areas necessitating faculty guidance in research techniques.

Pi Sigma Alpha: In the spring of 1982, the Nu Gamma Chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha, the National Political Science Honorary Society, was chartered at Eastern. This student organization serves as a vehicle for recognition of outstanding academic achievement in government and complements the department's participation in the university Honors Program. Pi Sigma Alpha sponsors a number of social and intellectual programs for students and faculty and with its help the department attempts to maintain contact with its graduates to make available to students their experiences and insights into the value of an education in government.

General Admissions Requirements for Government: Successful completion of ENGL 101 or its equivalent is required of all majors in

Government; successful completion of a 200-level English course is strongly recommended for all majors in government. Course offerings at the 300-400 level are designed to provide maximum flexibility for faculty and students. Prerequisite courses are required for 300 and 400 level courses and students should consult an advisor to ensure that their course selections are appropriate.

Required courses in the following programs of study may have prerequisites. Reference the course description section for clarification.

BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA)

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES – STUDENTS WILL:

(SLOS ARE THE SAME FOR THE 57 AND 72 CREDIT MAJORS AND 82 CREDIT PRE-LAW OPTION)

- demonstrate basic knowledge, skills and values related to various forms and structure in governments and relate those specifics to political and policy outcomes as necessary for responsible and active participation as both national and international citizens;
- effectively apply critical thinking and problem solving skills to political issues and should be able to utilize normative and empirical analysis tools in the study of national and international political realities;
- be able to apply an understanding of foundational and enduring political thought and ideas throughout history to questions of politics and policy at the national and international levels;
- demonstrate an awareness of the role played by race, ethnicity, gender and religion in historic and contemporary political debates and an awareness of effects of multiculturalism and diversity on domestic and international affairs;
- possess effective communication skills including the verbal and writing skills needed to communicate clearly and effectively, make persuasive, professional presentations and convey information essential to the discipline and beyond in an orderly and understandable manner;
- demonstrate analytical and conceptual skills, reading skills, critical thinking and problem solving skills and be able to effectively apply those skill sets to political issues.

GOVERNMENT MAJOR (57 CREDITS)

The 57-credit major is designed for the student with a strong interest in the political realm who wishes to combine such interest with study of another major or minor field. The 72-credit major is designed for those with a more concentrated interest in government who do not wish to complete a structured minor or who may be interested in graduate study in political science. The 82-credit Pre-law Option within the 72-credit major is designed for students interested in law school or work as a paralegal.

Note: Two years of a single high school foreign language or one year of a single college level foreign language is required. **Note:** THIS OPTION REQUIRES A SEPARATE MINOR OR GOVT/CSBS APPROVED CERTIFICATE PROGRAM FOR COMPLETION. **Note:** NO SUBSTITUTIONS FOR CORE COURSES.

Required Introductory Courses (15 Credits)

- GOVT 100 Modern Government in American Context (5)
- GOVT 202 Introduction to Political Theory (5)
- GOVT 203 Introduction to Comparative Politics (5)
or GOVT 204 Introduction to International Politics (5)

Methods Requirement, Choose one (5 Credits)

- CSBS 310 Foundations of Social and Behavioral Sciences Theory (5)
- CSBS 320 Introductory Statistics for the Social Sciences (5)
- CSBS 330 Integrated Social Science Methods (5)
- CSBS 331 Documents-Based Research Methods (5)
- GOVT 360 State Legislative Politics Experience (5)

Disciplinary Core (25 Credits)

Choose two different courses from two Subfields and one from the third.

Required Senior Level Courses— 400 Level Requirements (12 Credits)

- GOVT 490 Senior Capstone: Globalization (5)
- GOVT 493 Portfolio Assessment (2)
- Choose one additional 400 level course below GOVT 470 (5)

<i>Required Introductory Courses</i>	<i>15 credits</i>
<i>Methods Requirements</i>	<i>5 credits</i>
<i>Disciplinary core credits</i>	<i>25 credits</i>
<i>Senior level credits</i>	<i>12 credits</i>
<i>Total credits for above major</i>	<i>57 credits</i>

BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA)

GOVERNMENT MAJOR (72 CREDITS)

Note: Two years of a single high school foreign language or one year of a single college level foreign language is required. *Note:* NO SUBSTITUTIONS FOR CORE COURSES.

Required Introductory Courses (20 Credits)

- GOVT 100 Modern Government in American Context (5)
- GOVT 202 Introduction to Political Theory (5)
- GOVT 203 Introduction to Comparative Politics (5)
- GOVT 204 Introduction to International Politics (5)

Disciplinary Core (20 Credits)

- GOVT 300 U.S. Judicial Process (5)
- GOVT 320 International Systems (5)
- GOVT 332 The U.S. Presidency (5)
- GOVT 335 U.S. Congress (5)

Methods Requirement, Choose one (5 Credits)

- CSBS 310 Foundations of Social and Behavioral Sciences Theory (5)
- CSBS 320 Introductory Statistics for the Social Sciences (5)
- CSBS 330 Integrated Social Science Methods (5)
- CSBS 331 Documents-Based Research Methods (5)
- GOVT 360 State Legislative Politics Experience (5)

Required Senior Level Courses (7 credits)

- GOVT 490 Senior Capstone: Globalization (5)
- GOVT 493 Portfolio Assessment (2)

Elective Requirements (20 Credits)

- Choose two 300 level courses from two subfields (10)
- Choose two 400 level courses below GOVT 470 from two subfields (10)

<i>Required introductory credits</i>	20 credits
<i>Required disciplinary core credits</i>	20 credits
<i>Required methods credits</i>	5 credits
<i>Required senior level credits</i>	7 credits
<i>Elective credits</i>	20 credits
<i>Total required credits for above program</i>	72 credits

PRE-LAW OPTION (82 CREDITS)

Students must complete the required introductory courses, the disciplinary core and the methods requirement and required senior level courses.

Elective Requirements (30 Credits)

- Choose two 300 level courses from two subfields (10)
- Choose two 300 level courses from the American Government subfield (10)
- Choose two 400 level courses below GOVT 495 from two subfields (10)

<i>Required introductory credits</i>	20 credits
<i>Required disciplinary core credits</i>	20 credits
<i>Required methods credits</i>	5 credits
<i>Required senior level credits</i>	7 credits
<i>Elective credits</i>	30 credits
<i>Total required credits for above program</i>	82 credits

SUBFIELD DISTRIBUTION LISTS:

Political Philosophy:

- GOVT 305 Jurisprudence (5)
- GOVT 313 Ancient and Medieval Political Thought (5)
- GOVT 314 Modern Western Political Thought (5)
- GOVT 317 American Political Thought (5)
- GOVT 318 Marx and Marxism (5)
- GOVT 319 Nations, Nationalism and Patriotism (5)
- GOVT 401 Topics in Political Theory (5)

American Government and Politics:

- GOVT 300 U.S. Judicial Process (5)
- GOVT 302 Criminal Procedure (5)
- GOVT 304 U.S. Civil Rights and Liberties (5)
- GOVT 305 Jurisprudence (5)
- GOVT 306 Basic Concepts of Criminal Law (5)
- GOVT 307 U.S. Constitutional System (5)
- GOVT 317 American Political Thought (5)
- GOVT 330 Federalism, State and Local Politics (5)
- GOVT 332 The U.S. Presidency (5)
- GOVT 333 Public Management (5)
- GOVT 335 U.S. Congress (5)
- GOVT 336 U.S. Political Parties and Elections (5)
- GOVT 360 State Legislative Politics Experience (5)
- GOVT 370 Mock Trial I (5)
- GOVT 400 Topics in American Politics (5)
- GOVT 470 Mock Trial II (5)

International Relations/Comparative Politics:

- GOVT 320 International Systems (5)
- GOVT 321 International Organizations (5)
- GOVT 322 International Political Economy (5)
- GOVT 323 U.S. Foreign Policy (5)
- GOVT 326 European Politics (5)
- GOVT 327 Politics of Developing Nations (5)
- GOVT 328 Politics of People's Republic of China (5)
- GOVT 329 Politics of South Asia (5)
- GOVT 402 Topics in International Relations and Comparative Politics (5)



CERTIFICATE

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES – STUDENTS WILL:

- demonstrate awareness of historical, social, cultural, geographic and political dynamics in Asia and Asian countries;
- apply normative and empirical tools to the study of Asian political, cultural and governmental realities, both past and present;
- apply knowledge of Asian history to interpret current political, social and cultural dynamics in Asia and in comparison to other world regions;
- acquire basic communication skills in at least one Asian language;
- attain advanced understanding of Asia sufficient to enter graduate studies concerning the region, or a career track wherein expertise in Asia is necessary.

ASIA STUDIES CERTIFICATE (34 CREDITS)

Interest in Asia and Asian Studies has increased dramatically in recent years. For some, Asia represents opportunity for business, trade and commercial exchange as one of the new and vast marketplaces of the 21st century. For others, Asia is a place where remarkable expressions of traditional culture such as religion, poetry and art have stayed alive even into the 21st century. Located in the Pacific Northwest, Washington State is a gateway to the East and offers an ideal setting to learn about the interactions between Asia and the rest of the world. This Asia Studies Certificate offers students the opportunity for a highly specialized and integrative look at trans-regional and international issues related to Asia focusing on the culture, history, politics and languages of the region.

Acceptance to the certificate program requires that the student have at least a 3.0 cumulative grade point average in all courses at EWU and the approval of the certificate coordinator. In no course required for the certificate can the student receive below a 3.0 and all courses within the certificate must have a 3.3 minimum cumulative grade point average.

All required courses for the certificate other than the language requirement must be completed at EWU. Transfer credits other than language credits will not be accepted for certificate completion.

Completion of this certificate will also satisfy the minor requirement for students completing majors where a minor is required.

Required Certificate Courses

1. Language requirement: 10 credits of a relevant language. This may be met with credits from outside of EWU.
 2. Choose two courses from two of the areas and one course from the third*
 3. All students must complete the 1 credit assessment course. (GOVT 493)
- All course selections must be approved by the certificate coordinator

Government:

- GOVT 322 International Political Economy (5)
- GOVT 327 Politics of Developing Nations (5)
- GOVT 328 Politics of the People's Republic of China (5)
- GOVT 329 Politics of South Asia (5)
- INST 380 Japan Today (4)

History:

- HIST 310 Imperial China (5)
- HIST 311 Colonialism and Nationalism in Southeast Asia (5)
- HIST 410 China in the 19th and 20th Centuries (5)
- HIST 411 Democracy and Human Rights in Asia (5)
- HIST 416 Modern Japan (5)

Anthropology/Geography:

- ANTH 349 Major Civilizations of Asia (5)
- GEOG 333 Geography of Monsoon Asia (4)
- GEOG 335 The Geography of the Pacific Rim (4)

Directed Study Assessment

- GOVT 493 Portfolio Assessment (1)

Required language credits: **10 credits**

Area course credits: **23-25 credits**

Assessment course: **1 credit**

Minimum total required credits for certificate: **34 credits**

**Other courses may be substituted as electives if selected in consultation with and approved by the certificate coordinator.*

CERTIFICATE

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES – STUDENTS WILL:

- acquire an understanding of the institutional, political, legal and economic processes of the United States;
- acquire an understanding of the public policies of the U.S. and the ways in which they are created by and carried out through political and economic processes;
- demonstrate an ability to analyze political and economic phenomena through oral and written communication skills in public presentations, written reports and documents.

PUBLIC POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION CERTIFICATE (44 CREDITS)

The Certificate in Policy Administration is intended for students who are interested in pursuing a graduate level education in an applied field. Completion of the 44 credit certificate provides a sharply focused view of policy implementation and application within the American system of government. In addition, the certificate provides students the opportunity to receive advanced placement standing within EWU's Master's Program in Public Administration. Students who complete the certificate will be required to take 36 credits of MPA "core courses" instead of the normally required 40 and will be required to complete 10 elective credits, rather than the usually required 20. Acceptance to the certificate program requires that the student have at least a 3.0 cumulative grade point average in all courses at EWU and the approval of the certificate coordinator. In no course required for the certificate can the student receive below a 3.0 and all courses within the certificate must have a 3.3 minimum cumulative grade point average.

All required courses for the certificate must be completed at EWU, transfer credits will not be accepted for certificate completion.

Completion of this certificate will also satisfy the minor requirement for students completing majors where a minor is required.

Government requirements (15 credits)

- GOVT 330 Federalism, State and Local Politics (5)
- GOVT 332 The U.S. Presidency (5)
- GOVT 333 Public Management (5)

Statistics Requirement(5 credits)

- (meets MPA statistics background requirement)
- CSBS 320 Introductory Statistics for the Social Sciences (5)
- or MATH 380 Elementary Probability and Statistics (5)

English Requirement (5 credits)

- ENGL 205 Introduction to Technical Communication (5)

Economics Requirement (10 credits)

- ECON 200 Introduction to Microeconomics (5)
- ECON 450 Public Finance and Public Policy (5)

And one of the following (5 credits)

- ECON 452 Health Economics (5)
- ECON 457 Natural Resource Economics (5)
- ECON 458 Regional Economics (5)
- ECON 470 International Economics (5)

Exit Synthesis Requirement (4 credits)

- PADM 507 Public Policy Analysis (4)

Required government credits **15 credits**

Required statistics credits **5 credits**

Required English credits **5 credits**

Required economics credits **15 credits**

Required exit synthesis credits **4 credits**

Total credits for above certificate **44 credits**

(to qualify for the Advanced Standing MPA Program)

MINOR

GOVERNMENT MINOR (25 CREDITS)

Required Courses (15 credits)

- GOVT 100 Modern Government in American Context (5)
- GOVT 202 Introduction to Political Theory (5)
- GOVT 203 Introduction to Comparative Politics (5)
- or GOVT 204 Introduction to International Politics (5)

Electives (10 credits)

Select two courses from the 300-400 level below 470 (excluding 370 but may include 490).

Required program credits: **15 credits**

Elective credits: **10 credits**

Required credits for above minor: **25 credits**

Government Courses

Terms offered: fall, winter, spring, summer (FWSU). If no terms are indicated check with the department or EagleNET.

GOVT 100 Modern Government in American Context (5)

[satisfies the GEGR for social sciences, list 1, economics and government.]

A general introduction to the concepts, methods and concerns involved in the study of government, this course discusses fundamental ideas such as power, ideology and constitutionalism; the citizen role in democratic politics; the structure and processes of major governmental institutions; and selected areas of policy making. Emphasizes the comparison of the American political system with that of other major, chiefly democratic, systems.

GOVT 202 Introduction to Political Theory (5)

This course is an introduction to major thinkers and ideas within the tradition of Western political thought. Authors may include Plato, Aristotle, Machiavelli, Hobbes, Locke and Rousseau. Themes discussed include power, human nature, rights, political legitimacy and the ideal form of government. The course is also a primer on how to think and write theoretically. Through the essay composition process, students will refine their critical thinking skills and their ability to construct arguments of their own.

GOVT 203 Introduction to Comparative Politics (5)

[satisfies international studies university graduation requirement]

An introduction to concepts, such as state, power, ideology and political phenomena, emphasizing similarities and differences in selected political systems.

GOVT 204 Introduction to International Politics (5)

[satisfies international studies university graduation requirement]

A basic introduction to the nature of politics in the international arena, with special attention to the instruments of national power, diplomacy, international law and the role of various international organizations and alliance systems.

GOVT 299 Special Studies (1-5)

Prerequisite: permission of the instructor, department chair and college dean.

Subjects studied vary according to faculty and student interest.

GOVT 300 U.S. Judicial Process (5)

Prerequisite: GOVT 100.

This course examines the relationship of judicial behavior to structure, politics and the behavior of other actors in the judicial process. This includes examination of judicial processes from the trial court level through the Supreme Court of the United States.

GOVT 302 Criminal Procedure (5)

This course is an examination of the philosophic and legal bases for protection of the rights of the criminally accused, with emphasis on Supreme Court decisions on the fourth, fifth and sixth Amendments and on the due process clause of the 14th Amendment.

GOVT 304 U.S. Civil Rights and Liberties (5)

Prerequisite: GOVT 100

This course examines the history and development of civil rights and liberties in the constitutional context of the United States. It emphasizes the problems of racial, religious, economic, political and sexual discrimination and their remedies under the law.

GOVT 305 Jurisprudence (5)

Prerequisites: GOVT 100 and GOVT 202

This course examines the philosophical underpinnings of the idea of law by examining the evolution of legal thought from Natural Law thinkers through Postmodern conceptions of legal reasoning. It includes discussion about the concepts of rules and justice as well as the nature and possibility of legal reasoning.

GOVT 306 Basic Concepts of Criminal Law (5)

A survey of the basic concepts and content of the American substantive criminal law, including consideration of the purposes of the criminal law, the basic concepts utilized to define criminal offenses, defenses to criminal charges and examination of selected substantive offenses; e.g., assault, homicide, larceny.

GOVT 307 U.S. Constitutional System (5)

Prerequisites: GOVT 100 and GOVT 300

This course examines the principal structural features of the U.S. governmental system, primarily through the study of decisions of the United States Supreme Court. Particular attention is paid to the structural realities of separation of powers and federalism and to the development of the specific powers of the national government in the light of the powers retained by the states.

GOVT 313 Ancient and Medieval Political Thought (5)

Prerequisites: GOVT 202

This course engages thinkers and themes from the political theory of ancient Greece. Authors read include the pre-Socratics, Plato, Aristotle, and Seneca, among others. Questions concerning the nature and purpose of politics, the ideal political order, the definition of justice and virtue, and classical conceptions of knowledge, among others, will be pursued in detail. In addition to comparing various authors on these questions, students will spend some time considering the relationship between ancient views and more contemporary attitudes.

GOVT 314 Modern Western Political Thought (5)

Prerequisites: GOVT 202

This course is a detailed encounter with various thinkers of the Western political theoretical tradition, including Machiavelli, Hobbes, Locke, Rousseau, and John Stuart Mill, among others. Ideas discussed include human nature, the rise of the modern state, the role of the individual and the people, the role of law, and the origins and nature of political power.

GOVT 317 American Political Thought (5)

Prerequisites: GOVT 100 and GOVT 202

This course examines the major works which have influenced the political debate and the creation of institutions in the United States. Emphasis will be on America's liberal tradition and those values which are in competition with the liberal philosophy in the United States. Other topics in the tradition of American political thought include democracy, liberty, individualism, localism and equality.

GOVT 318 Marx and Marxism (5)

Prerequisites: GOVT 202 and GOVT 203

This detailed examination of the political, economic and social theory of Karl Marx begins with a discussion of the ideas of G. W. F. Hegel, perhaps the most important European philosopher of the 19th century and a major influence on Marx's thinking. Students subsequently read a large number of primary texts by Marx himself with excerpts from the writings of Vladimir Lenin, the protagonist of the 1917 Russian Revolution.

GOVT 319 Nations, Nationalism and Patriotism (5)

Prerequisites: GOVT 100 and GOVT 202

This course is a detailed inquiry into nations, nationalism and patriotism, with specific emphasis on the United States. Authors read include Benedict Anderson, Anders Stephanson and David Campbell, among others. Topics explored include the conceptual predicates upon which nations depend, the idea of citizenship, violence and warfare, national identity, manifest destiny and more.

GOVT 320 International Systems (5)

Prerequisites: GOVT 204

This course is a focused study of contemporary theories, debates and major scholarly traditions in the study of international politics. By studying and analyzing contending perspectives in world politics, the course covers how scholars of international relations differ from each other in their conceptualization of what the system is or ought to be. The course enables students to have a comprehensive appreciation of the global issues, difficulties and challenges that states and non-state actors face as they interact in the global arena.

GOVT 321 International Organizations (5)

Prerequisites: GOVT 203 or GOVT 204 or permission of instructor.

[satisfies international studies university graduation requirement]

The course engages students in a study of the history, structures and processes of international organizations within the world community. Focusing primarily on the United Nations system and its role in shaping global, national, group and state-society relations, the course also addresses other organizations such as the European Union and the World Trade Organization, as well as non-governmental organizations (NGOs).

GOVT 322 International Political Economy (5)

Prerequisite: GOVT 204

This course examines international economic systems and their relation to world political realities. Students will examine theories of state political-economic relations and the history of international efforts to manage trade, monetary and financial systems by applying theories to contemporary global political economics, such as North-South issues and the political economy of oil and war.

GOVT 323 U.S. Foreign Policy (5)

Prerequisite: GOVT 203 and GOVT 204

In this course students analyze important cases in U.S. foreign policy formulation since WW II with particular emphasis on the bureaucratic factors that shape foreign policy decisions.

GOVT 326 European Politics (5)

Prerequisites: GOVT 203 or permission of instructor.]

[satisfies international studies university graduation requirement]

This course is an in-depth study of political life in European states beginning with the origins and contemporary practices of parliamentary democracy in Europe. It also addresses contemporary challenges to and opportunities for European states, including European integration through the European Union and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), the broadening of the West toward the former Soviet states and the social, political and economic implications of immigration and international crime and violence.

GOVT 327 Politics of Developing Nations (5)

Prerequisites: GOVT 203 and GOVT 204

This course examines the problems that attend political development in developing nations emphasizing the dilemmas of political development in traditional and transitional societies. Special emphasis is placed on nation-building; economic and social change; ideologies and political development; and elites, political parties, military and bureaucracies.

GOVT 328 Politics of the People's Republic of China (5)

Prerequisites: GOVT 203 and GOVT 204

This in-depth study of the modern political history and contemporary political system of China includes the fall of imperial China; the origins, development and victory of the Chinese Communist revolution; the rule and legacy of Chairman Mao Zedong, particularly the Great Leap Forward and the Cultural Revolution; economic reform, governance and political repression (especially the Tiananmen crisis) in the era of Deng Xiaoping; and current Chinese politics in the post-Deng China. The course focuses on China's domestic politics as well as China's position in the region and its role in the world.

GOVT 329 Politics of South Asia (5)

Prerequisite: GOVT 203 or GOVT 204 or permission of instructor.

[satisfies international studies university graduation requirement]

This course examines the complex and dynamic regions of South Asia. Constituting nearly a fourth of all humanity and hosting almost half of the world's poor, the subcontinent is a region where histories, geographies and politics intertwine. The course introduces students to the political evolution of the region and to the major scholarly debates on the countries of India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh and Nepal. Particular emphasis is placed on colonial legacies, nationalism and histories of state formation as well as political institutions and their evolution. Other topics may include democracy and dictatorship, socio-cultural diversity and ethnic conflicts, regionalism, communalism and linguistic politics, development and security concerns.

GOVT 330 Federalism, State and Local Politics (5)

Prerequisites: GOVT 100

This course examines the theory, history and functioning of the U.S. federal system of government. Emphasis is placed on the structure of the system as well as the interrelationships that exist. State and local governments are examined and emphasis is placed on policy formation, dispersion and implementation as well as the consequences of those policies.

GOVT 332 The U.S. Presidency (5)

Prerequisites: GOVT 100

This course examines the role of the President in the government of the United States and in international relations. It considers the dynamics of presidential power in the U.S. government as well as relations between the President and other branches of government as well as with the people.

GOVT 333 Public Management (5)

Prerequisites: GOVT 100

The course examines the fundamental concepts, approaches and leading theories of policy analysis. From a linear conception of policymaking to a more complex understanding of policy, this course provides both critical and practical understanding of public policy issues, including those in the realm of social welfare, health, energy, environment, food and agriculture, and national and global security. The course content encompasses the development, formulation, implementation and evaluation of policy. While dealing with substantive sectors and institutional aspects of public policy analysis the course also includes consideration of the complex interplay of power, knowledge and agency in the making of policy.

GOVT 335 U.S. Congress (5)

Prerequisites: GOVT 100

This course examines the role of representative governance in the United States by exploring the theoretical underpinnings of the U.S. Congress as created by the Founders, as well as its functions and how those have evolved. It also studies relations between the Congress and the other branches and how members of Congress interact, both institutionally and individually.

GOVT 336 U.S. Political Parties and Elections (5)

Prerequisite: GOVT 100.

This course examines two of the ways that people can affect the political system, by voting and joining political parties, and it considers ways to link those through political campaigns. It will analyze and evaluate party systems and explore the functions of modern U.S. political parties. Students will explore how and why people vote, the nature of modern elections and the evolution of campaigning in the United States.

GOVT 350 Contemporary Political Problems (1-5)

A topical course designed to accommodate the interest of the general student and the department faculty. Topics vary from quarter to quarter and are listed on EagleNET. Recent offerings include *Latin American Politics and International Security*. Analysis of contemporary problems may be under the guidance of one or more department members.

GOVT 360 State Legislative Politics Experience (5)

Prerequisite: permission of the instructor.

This course is designed to be a guided field experience with students in Olympia during the winter legislative session. It will connect the practical experiences students receive while interning in the Washington State legislature with theoretical models of legislative behavior and case studies of legislative action. Course requires instructor approval and acceptance into the Washington State Legislative Internship Program.

GOVT 370 Mock Trial I (5)

Prerequisite: permission of instructor.

Mock Trial I exposes students to courtroom procedures in civil or criminal cases, studying a trial as one form of dispute resolution. Working in teams, students receive a fictional legal case and prepare and argue both sides of that case by applying rules of evidence in a simulated courtroom. Students play the roles of attorneys and witnesses as they prepare and present their case to a panel of judges. GOVT 370 focuses on the basics of preparing and building a fictional legal case and introduces students to trial advocacy.

GOVT 397 Workshop in Government (1-5)

Specialized offerings in a workshop-type situation of materials emphasizing current topics and problems in the political arena.

GOVT 400 Topics in American Politics (5)

An intensive examination of selected questions in the arena of American political institutions, processes and public policy. Topics vary from quarter to quarter and include executive reorganization, congressional reform, politics and the press, post-partisan politics and various policy impact studies that cover the values of individual choice and problems of political economy.

GOVT 401 Topics in Political Theory (5)

Prerequisites: GOVT 202

Each of the topics chosen for this course explores in some depth the fundamental relationship between some common political phenomena as obligation, consent, freedom, law, authority, etc. The course is structured so that even when the particular topic is quite narrow, its development touches on the major nodes in the web of relationships these phenomena have with one another.

GOVT 402 Topics in International Relations and Comparative Politics (5)

Prerequisites: GOVT 203 and GOVT 204.

The topic of this course varies from quarter to quarter, depending on student and faculty interests. Topics in the past have included international law, international organizations (especially the European Union), problems of the international political system, comparative analysis of West European gender regimes, causes of political change and political stability, modernization and political development, causes and results of revolutions, the impact of social forces on the political system. The course may cover other topics as faculty and student interests change.

GOVT 470 Mock Trial II (5)

Prerequisite: GOVT 370 or permission of instructor.

Mock Trial II exposes students to more advanced courtroom procedures in civil or criminal cases. Working in teams, students work with a fictional legal case to prepare and argue both sides by applying rules of evidence in a simulated courtroom. Students play the roles of attorneys and witnesses as they prepare and present their case to a panel of judges at local and regional competitions. Students may also engage in negotiation competitions as an alternate form of dispute resolution. This course follows GOVT 370 with more emphasis on conducting competitive mock trials.

GOVT 490 Senior Capstone: Globalization (5)

Prerequisites: GOVT 204 and senior standing; or permission of instructor.

[satisfies senior capstone university graduation requirement]

This course is a senior-level seminar designed to integrate and further refine the analytical, writing and presentation skills acquired as a Government or International Affairs major. Its premise is that any student of politics or international affairs should graduate a bachelor's degree program with a refined sensibility of the concept (and varying realities) of globalization. The course covers case studies and theoretical analyses of the global dynamics of economic, cultural, religious, media and political relations as well as the influence of technology on globalization. Students prepare and present an original, extensive case study and analysis of globalization processes, if possible relating to the student's work as an International Affairs or Government major. (Cross-listed INST 490)

GOVT 493 Portfolio Assessment (1-2)

Prerequisite: senior standing or declared major GOVT or INTAFF or permission of instructor.

Advised by a member of the Government faculty, the student compiles an assessment portfolio of academic assignments completed in program specific courses at EWU. Taken during the term in which the student expects to complete the requirements for a program of study, this course provides the student with an opportunity to undertake guided academic/career planning as well as to participate in summative assessments.

GOVT 495 Public Affairs Internship (1-15)

Prerequisite: permission of the instructor, department chair and college dean.

Guided field experience designed to acquaint you with the formation and instrumentation of public policy; involves actual work with a political party, interest group, legislative body or administrative agency.

GOVT 498 Seminar (1-5)

Prerequisite: permission of instructor.

An in-depth analysis of particular political phenomena, with emphasis on student research. Usually offered on an interdisciplinary basis in cooperation with other departments offering similar courses.

GOVT 499 Directed Study (1-5)

Prerequisite: permission of the instructor, department chair and college dean.

Projects in selected fields of government.