

## POLITICAL SCIENCE

### POLS 1 Introduction to American Government

**Units:** 3 **Hours:** 3 Lecture

**Advisory:** Eligible for English 250 and English 260.

**Transferable:** CSU; UC; CSU-GE: D8; IGETC: 4H, 7A; GAV-GE: D1, D2; CAN: GOVT 2

Explores the development of American political institutions and their utilization in dealing with issues arising at the international, national and state levels. Emphasis is placed on those problems which have defined our federal system of government. California government and appropriate state institutions will be included as a vital part of our federal system of government.

### POLS 3 Introduction to Comparative Politics

**Units:** 3 **Hours:** 3 Lecture

**Advisory:** Eligible for English 250 and English 260.

**Transferable:** CSU; UC; CSU-GE: D8; IGETC: 4H; GAV-GE: D2, F

Comparative survey of political institutions and processes around the globe. Selected nations may include, but are not restricted to: the United Kingdom, France, Germany, Japan, Russia, India, Nigeria, and Mexico.

### POLS 4 Introduction to International Relations

**Units:** 3 **Hours:** 3 Lecture

**Transferable:** CSU; UC; CSU-GE: D8; IGETC: 4H; GAV-GE: D2, F

This course provides an introduction to key contemporary international problems and the means to analyze them. Major parts of the course cover such topics as war and peace, foreign policymaking, the international economy, and future trends in world politics.

### POLS 6 Introduction to Conflict Resolution

**Units:** 3 **Hours:** 3 Lecture

**Advisory:** English 250 and English 260.

**Transferable:** CSU; CSU-GE: D7; GAV-GE: D2

Introduction to Conflict Resolution introduces students to conflict resolution and mediation. Integrating theory and practice, students will assess core concepts about the causes and resolution of conflict, and will practice communication skills for conflict resolution. Students will examine how ethnicity, gender, and class affect power in conflict situations. They will be able to formulate appropriate conflict resolution strategies, and will develop and practice various basic co-mediation skills. This course has the option of a letter grade or pass/no pass. This course is also listed as AJ 6 and PSYC 6 and CMUN 6.

### POLS 8 Field Work in Politics

**Units:** 1-6 **Hours:** 18 Laboratory

**Advisory:** Consent of instructor. This is essential due to the necessity of screening intern applicants; completion of Political Science 1 or Political Science 3.

**Transferable:** CSU

An intern program in practical politics and government administration offering students an opportunity to learn by doing. Interns are placed in the offices of public officials, government agencies, or political campaigns on the local, state and national levels. This is a pass/no pass course.

### POLS 12 Introduction to Political Thought

**Units:** 3 **Hours:** 3 Lecture

**Transferable:** CSU; UC; CSU-GE: D8; IGETC: 4H; GAV-GE: D2

This course provides students with an introduction to and grounding in classical and modern political thought. Students will be introduced to theorists such as Plato, Aristotle, Machiavelli, and Marx. Students will also examine such timeless questions as: "What is justice?" "What is the good life?" and "What is power?" among others. This course is also listed as PHIL 12. Previously POLS 2.

### POLS 27 Contemporary Leadership

**Units:** 2-4 **Hours:** 3 Lecture, 3 Laboratory

**Advisory:** Eligible for English 250 and English 260.

**Transferable:** CSU; GAV-GE: E2

A cross-disciplinary approach to the theory and practice of leadership. Includes effective communication styles including issues related to gender and culture. Class includes topics on ethics, power, and how to run effective meetings including the use of parliamentary procedure. Skills directly applicable to work, personal and college environments. May be repeated for a maximum of 10 units. Also listed as PSYC 27.

## PSYCHOLOGY

### PSYC 1A Introduction to Psychology

**Units:** 3 **Hours:** 3 Lecture

**Advisory:** Eligible for English 250 and English 260.

**Transferable:** CSU; UC; CSU-GE: D9; IGETC: 4I; GAV-GE: D2; CAN: PSY 2

The nature, scope, methods, presuppositions, history, and fields of psychology together with the scientific study of factors influencing human behavior, human development, perception, learning, memory, emotion, personality, frustration, and psychotherapy.

### PSYC 1B Introduction to Psychology

**Units:** 3 **Hours:** 3 Lecture

**Advisory:** Psychology 1A

**Transferable:** CSU; UC; CSU-GE: D9; IGETC: 4I; GAV-GE: D2

Continuation of Psychology 1A. This course stresses the biological basis of behavior including: neuroanatomy, the senses, perception, learning, thinking, and psychological disorders.

### PSYC 2 Early Child Development

**Units:** 3 **Hours:** 3 Lecture

**Advisory:** Eligible for English 250 and English 260.

**Transferable:** CSU; UC; CSU-GE: D9, E; IGETC: 4I; GAV-GE: D2

A systematic study of the child from prenatal life through the preschool years. The course integrates the basic concepts of physical, cognitive and psychosocial development at each major stage of life during this period. This course is also listed as CD 2. This course has the option of a letter grade or pass/no pass.

### PSYC 3 Child Growth and Development During the School Years

**Units:** 3 **Hours:** 3 Lecture

**Advisory:** Eligible for English 250 and English 260; Psychology 2.

**Transferable:** CSU; UC; CSU-GE: D9, E; IGETC: 4I; GAV-GE: D2

Continuation of the study of child development with emphasis on children from six years of age through adolescence. Includes developmental theories and topics relevant to these ages. This course is also listed as CD 3. This course has the option of a letter grade or pass/no pass.