Courses in Political Science

R Pos 101
American Politics (3)
*This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System.* Introduction to the study of politics, focusing on American national government. Includes some discussion of theoretical questions (such as authority, representation and consent) and some illustrative examples from the area of comparative and international politics. R Pos 101Z is a writing intensive version of R Pos 101.
(1642) Hildreth, Anne
4 Week 2: June 22-July 17
*Online course in Blackboard*

R Pos 102
Comparative and International Politics (3)
*This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System.* The characteristics and development of statehood and power; conditions of stability; constitutions and the comparative political processes; the international order and the nation-state system. R POS 102Z is the writing intensive version of R Pos 102. R POS 102X is the information literacy version of R POS 102. Only one version of R POS 101 may be taken for credit.
(1823) Willis, Charmaine
6 Week 1: May 26-July 3
*Online course in Blackboard*

R Pos 103
Political Theory (3)
*This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System.* An introductory course in the history of political theory with an emphasis on understanding political ideas and concepts and applying them to perennial issues of political life. R POS 103Y is the oral discourse version of R POS 103 in which students will attend a weekly discussion section in addition to weekly regular classes. Only one version of R POS 103 may be taken for credit.
(2412) McKeever, Sean
6 Week 1: May 26-July 3
*Online course in Blackboard*

R Pos 140 (=R Pad 140)
Introduction to Public Policy (3)
*This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System.* Introduction to theories of how democracies make public policy. Describes the roles of government institutions, the media, and interest groups in the policy process. Reviews current theories of how problems are identified and how policies are formulated, enacted, and implemented to address public problems. Only one of R PUB 140 and R POS 140 may be taken for credit.
(1824) Edwards, Amani
12 Week: May 26-August 14
*Online course in Blackboard*

R Pos 206
Politics in Film (3)
*This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System.* This course examines representations of selected aspects of politics in film. The class will use movies as primary texts to analyze campaigns and elections, political parties, war in its multiple expressions, the military, immigration, censorship, the criminal justice system, and the participation of minorities in the political process, among
others. Although this will not be the primary focus of the course, the course will also explore the implications of media representations of politics for democracy and democratic participation.

(2201) Cruz, Jose
4 Week 2: June 22-July 17
*Online course in Blackboard*

**R Pos 334**
**American Political Parties and Groups (3)**
*This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System.* Examination of the theory, organizational forms and dynamics of political group formation and activity, with special attention given to the political party system, interest groups, political leadership and electoral behavior.

(2413) Nicholas Jr., Philip
6 Week 2: June 22-July 31
*Online course in Blackboard*

**R Pos 365**
**Government and the Mass Media (3)**
*This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System.* Study of the relation of the mass media to the American political process, including an examination of the effect of the mass media on legislative actions, the executive, voting behavior and the bureaucracy. Prerequisite(s): R Pos 101 and 102, or junior or senior class standing.

(1467) Pidgeon, Jessica
4 Week 2: June 22-July 17
*Online course in Blackboard*

**R Pos 383**
**American Foreign Policy (3)**
*This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System.* An examination of the patterns of American foreign policy in economic and security issues from the turn of the century through the end of the Cold War. This analysis provides the basis for discussion of the prospects for American foreign policy as we move into the 21st century.

(2414) Preble, Keith
6 Week 3: July 6-August 16
*Online course in Blackboard*