

**Requirements for the Political Science major  
with a concentration in Public Law (34 hours total):**

**General Requirements for the Major (16 hours)**

One course in each of the subfields (12 hours)  
American Politics: POLS 1150  
Comparative Politics: one class  
International Relations: one class  
Political Thought: POLS 1700, 2700, 3710, 3720, 3770  
Methods: POLS 2000 (4 hours)

**Required course hours for the Public Law concentration (9 hours)**

*Select 3 of the following 4 courses*  
POLS 2100 The American Constitution  
POLS 3100 Judicial Politics  
POLS 2710 Theories of Justice  
POLS 4310 Law, Politics, and Regulatory Policy

**Elective courses for the Public Law Concentration (6 Hours)**

*Selected from the following courses:*  
POLS 2120 The American Congress  
POLS 3130 Civil Rights and Civil Liberties  
POLS 3640 International Law  
POLS 3880/WGST 3800 Violence Against Women  
POLS 3915 Legal Internship  
POLS 4120 Civil Rights: A Moot Court Seminar  
POLS 4171 Law, Policy, and Society  
POLS 4125 Women and the Law  
POLS 4126 Sexuality and the Law

**Senior Seminar Requirement (3 hours)**

Students in the concentration **must** take at least one 4000-level seminar from those offered in the concentration: POLS 4300 Law, Politics, and Regulatory Policy; POLS 4120 Civil Rights: A Moot Court Seminar; POLS 4171 Law, Policy, and Society; POLS 4125 Women and the Law; or POLS 4126 Sexuality and the Law.

Students must take a second 4000-level seminar, either from those offered in the concentration or from among other seminars offered in the department. All seminars require POLS 2000, at least junior level standing, a previous course in the same subfield, or instructor permission.

As an alternative to one of the 4000-level seminars, students having a grade-point average of 3.30 or better may, with Department Chair approval, take POLS 4960, an individual research project under the supervision of a Political Science faculty member.

With permission, students may write a Political Science honors thesis, POLS 4990-4991, which can substitute for one of the 4000-level seminars.

Students may substitute 5000-level seminars taught by full time Political Science faculty for the required 4000-level seminars.

Political science majors may not count more than four 1000 level courses toward work toward the 34-hours Political Science requirement. Majors may not count more than six hours of independent study (POLS 4980) and/or internship work toward the major. Majors must complete at least four 3000 or higher courses. Only 15 hours of transfer credit can apply towards the major. The two 4000-level courses and the methods class must be completed at Saint Louis University and not by transfer credit.