

POLITICS AND SOCIETY MAJOR: AMERICAN POLITICS AND PUBLIC POLICY OPTION (B.A.)

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Description

This option will appeal to students interested in American government, politics and society. Students learn how leaders and citizens create public policies to address myriad challenges, such as poverty, racism, inequality and crime, and examine how government agencies and non-profit organizations can more effectively implement these policies. The option prepares students to solve these complex problems through a career in local, state, and federal government, non-profit organizations, public advocacy and public policy in a broad range of issue areas (e.g., poverty, public health, environmental sustainability, criminal justice, education, etc.).

Requirements

Students must complete 128 credits to graduate, including 44 credits in the politics and society major. Students must maintain an overall cumulative GPA of 2.0 and a cumulative GPA in the major of 2.0. No credit toward the major will be given for any course in which the student receives a grade of less than C-. Students also must fulfill the UNH Discovery Program requirements. Up to three courses may be used toward both the politics and society major and UNH Discovery Program requirements. Transfer students must take at least 28 credits in the major at UNH Manchester.

Program Requirements

Required Courses

POLT 401	Politics and Society	4
POLT 402	American Politics and Government	4
POLT 403	United States in World Affairs	4
POLT 595	Smart Politics	4
PS 701	Senior Project and Interdisciplinary Seminar in Politics and Society	4

Select four of the following:¹ 16

HIST 406	History of the Modern United States	
POLT 500	American Public Policy ²	
POLT 502	State and Local Government	
POLT 505	American Congress	
POLT 506	Parties, Interest Groups, and Voters	
POLT 507	Politics of Crime and Justice	
POLT 509	Managing Bureaucracy in America	
POLT 512	Public Opinion in American Politics	
POLT 521	Rights and the Political Community	
PS 407	Politics, Law and Contemporary Society	
PS 506	Civil Society and Public Policy	

PS 507	Justice Law and Politics	
PS 508	Supreme Court in US Society	
PS 510	Politics of Food	
PS 512	People on the Move: Immigration and Refugee Policy in Global Perspective	
PS 515	New Hampshire Politics in Action	
POLT 750	Politics of Poverty	
POLT 751	Comparative Environmental Politics and Policy	
Electives ³		8
Total Credits		44

¹ Only ONE 400-level course may be used

² Required course

³ Any POLT or PS course

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