

PUBLIC POLICY, MINOR

Admission into the Minor

Students are expected to formally declare a minor by completing the Change of Major/Minor Application online under the Student tab of myBama.

Code and Title	Hours
Minor Courses	
PSC 370 American Public Policy	3
Political Context of Public Policy	
Select one of the following:	3
PSC 101 Intro American Politics	
PSC 211 State & Local Govt	
PSC 312 Amer Legislative Syst	
PSC 361 Fiscal Policy & Budget	
PSC 368 Interest Group Politics	
PSC 443 Comparative Pub Policy	
Economic Analysis	
Select one of the following:	3
EC 110 Principles of Microeconomics	
EC 112 Honors Prin of Microeconomics	
EC 308 Intermediate Microeconomics	
EC 310 Honors Intermediate Microecon	
Research Methods or Data Analysis	
Select one of the following:	3
BER 345 Educational Statistics	
CJ 380 Research Methods	
CJ 381 Statistics	
EC 471 Econometrics	
GES 255 Engineering Statistics I	
GY 430 Intro Geographic Info Systems	
MKT 473 Marketing Research	
POPH 422 Biostatistics	
PSC 202 Political Science Methods	
ST 260 Statistical Data Analysis	
SW 420 Research Social Work Practice	
Public Policy	
Select two or three of the following:	6-9
Economic Policy:	
EC 410 Law And Economics	
EC 413 Econ Forecasting & Analysis	
EC 423 Public Finance	
EC 480 Econ of Environment	
EC 483 Health Care Economics	
Education Policy:	
PSC 468 Politics of Education	
Election Policy:	
PSC 375 Election Reform in America	
Environmental Policy:	
GEO 105 Sustainable Earth	
GY 105 World Regional Geography	

GY 409 Forest Ecosystem Restoration	
GY 452 Environ Decision Making	
GY 453 Environment & Society	
MS 433 Coastal Zone Management	
PSC 365 Environmental Policy	
SW 419 International Social Work	
Foreign Policy:	
HY 474 Relation US Latin Amer	
PSC 413 Amer Foreign Policy	
PSC 414 Foreign Policy Decisionmaking	
PSC 434 Internatl Polit Econom	
PSC 445 Humanitarianism	
Health Care Policy:	
ANT 311 Pop., Health & Human Origins	
ANT 402 Health Inequities	
ANT 411 Culture, Health, and Healing	
FI 444 Life & Health Insurance	
POPH 423 Basic Epidemiology	
PSC 464 The Politics of Health Policy	
RCH 400 Rural Envir/Occup Health	
National Security Policy:	
HY 482 War & Religion in the West	
PSC 343 Authoritarianism	
PSC 435 War And Peace	
PSC 441 Terrorism and Political Islam	
PSC 442 Internatl Conflict	
PSC 444 International Organizations	
PSC 446 Political Economy of Security	
Social Welfare Policy and Services:	
PSC 466 The Politics of Poverty	
SW 200 Reform and Resistance	
SW 205 Honors Reform and Resistance	
SW 206 Growing Old In America	
SW 208 Juvenile Delinquency	
SW 210 Family & Child Welfare	
SW 351 Anti-Oppression Social Justice	
SW 401 Soc Wel Policy & Services	
SW 405 Hon Soc Wel Pol & Serv	
SW 442 SW Practice with Communities	
Trade Policy:	
EC 416 Monetary Theory & Policy	
EC 430 International Trade	
FI 416 Monetary Theory & Policy	
Urban Policy:	
GY 440 Commun Facil Planning	
GY 441 Land Use Regulations	
GY 458 Urban Planning And Analysis	
GY 466 Geography of Automobility	
Independent Study (Optional)	

Independent project under the direction of a faculty member, as approved by the minor advisor. 0-6

Total Hours 18-27

Grade Point Average

A 2.0 grade point average in the minor is required. Please see the Grades and Grade Points section of this catalog for an explanation on grade point average calculations.

Upper-level Residency

A minimum of six hours of 300- and 400-level courses in the minor must be earned on this campus.

Ancillary Courses

This minor does not require ancillary courses.

Additional Minor Requirements

The public policy studies minor requires a minimum of 18 hours. Students must take three hours from each of the following four areas for a total of 12 hours:

1. Introduction to Public Policy
2. The Political Context of Public Policy
3. Economic Analysis
4. Research Methods or Data Analysis
 - a. If research or statistics course has been taken as part of your major, a substitution of this requirement is available. Please see the Director of the Public Policy Studies minor.

Specific sections of topics courses (PSC 320 Special Studies In PSC, PSC 321 Special Topics In PSC, PSC 322 Topics in American Politics, PSC 323 Topics in Comparative Politics, PSC 324 Topics in IR, PSC 325 Topics in Political Theory, PSC 326 Topics in PA/ Policy, PSC 399 Internship In PSC, PSC 421 Seminar in Political Science, PSC 422 Seminar Political Science, and PSC 497 Study Abroad Special Topics) may be appropriate to fulfill the field requirements. Additional credits, earned through transfer credit and/or education abroad, may also fulfill field requirements - please see the Director of the Public Policy Studies minor.

The remaining six hours may be completed by taking courses in public policy or independent study sections as outlined above.

Prerequisites

Public policy studies is an interdisciplinary minor, which pulls courses from various academic departments on campus. The prerequisite rules outlined in the course descriptions apply to all those included in the minor curriculum.