# 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
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**Minor Courses**
- PSC 103 or Intro Public Policy
- PSC 370 American Public Policy

### 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 443 Comparative Pub Policy

### Economic Analysis

Select one of the following: 3
- EC 110 Principles of Microeconomics
- EC 308 Intermediate Microeconomics

### Research Methods or Data Analysis

Select one of the following: 3
- BER 345 Educational Statistics
- CHS 425 Biostatistics
- CJ 280 Research Methods
- CJ 381 Statistics
- EC 471 Econometrics
- GES 255 Engineering Statistics I
- GY 430 Intro Geographic Info Systems
- MKT 473 Marketing Research
- 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 430 International Trade
- EC 480 Econ of Environment
- EC 423 Public Finance
- EC 483 Health Care Economics

#### Environmental Policy:
- GEO 105 Sustainable Earth
- GY 105 World Regional Geography
- GY 409 Forest History and Restoration
- GY 452 Environ Decision Making
- GY 453 Environment & Society
- MS 433 Coastal Zone Management
- PSC 365 Environmental Policy

#### Foreign Policy:
- HY 474 Relation US Latin Amer
- PSC 321 Special Topics In PSC (Transnational Politics or International Institutions) 1
- PSC 413 Amer Foreign Policy
- PSC 434 Internat Pol Polit Econom
- PSC 422 Seminar Political Science

#### Health Care Policy:
- ANT 311 Pop., Health & Human Origins
- ANT 402 Health Inequities
- ANT 411 Culture, Health, and Healing
- CHS 400 Rural Envir/Occup Health
- CHS 420 Basic Epidemiology
- CHS 427 Health Policy & Planning
- FI 444 Life & Health Insurance
- PSC 464 The Politics of Health Policy

#### National Security Policy:
- AMS 445 The "Good War"
- HY 480 Survey of Military History
- HY 482 War & Religion in the West
- PSC 435 War And Peace
- PSC 441 Terrorism and Political Islam
- PSC 442 Internatl Conflict
- PSC 446 Political Economy of Security

#### Social Welfare Policy and Services:
- SW 200 History Social Welfare US
- SW 206 Growing Old In America
- SW 208 Juvenile Delinquency
- SW 210 Family & Child Welfare
- SW 351 Oppression & Social Injustice
- SW 401 Soc Wel Policy & Services
- SW 442 SW Practice with Communities

#### Trade Policy:
- EC 416 Monetary Theory & Policy
- FI 416 Monetary Theory & Policy

#### Urban Policy:
- GY 365 Industrial Develop & Location
- GY 440 Commun Facil Planning
- GY 441 Land Use Regulations
- GY 458 Urban Planning And Analysis
- GY 466 Transport Geography

### Independent Study (Optional)

Independent project under the direction of a faculty member, as approved by the minor advisor. 3-6

### Total Hours

18-24
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

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.