

REQUIREMENTS FOR CONCENTRATIONS (16 UNITS)

Each concentration requires the completion of four courses drawn primarily from the undergraduate curriculum (400-level courses only) in the Department of Political Science. These courses should be completed prior to enrollment in the graduate seminars. In addition to the 400-level undergraduate courses listed for each concentration, students have the option of completing POLS 598 Graduate Directed Study. POLS 598 requires students to complete an independent research paper or comparable project under the supervision of a single faculty member. Students must receive approval from both the supervising faculty member and the MA advisor prior to enrolling in POLS 598.

If you have any problems fulfilling the requirements of your selected concentration, speak with the MA advisor as soon as possible.

American Politics Concentration

- Choose **four courses** from the following: POLS 400, 404, 406, 408, 409, 414, 418, 425 or 598 (POLS 598 must be supervised by faculty in American Politics)

Political Theory Concentration

- Choose **three or four courses** from the following: POLS 431, 433, 435, 437 or 598 (POLS 598 must be supervised by Dr. McLendon or Dr. Bowman)
- *Students may take ONE of the following courses from the Department of Philosophy: PHL 410, 413, 447 or 574*

Global Politics Concentration

- *International Relations* (choose **two courses** from the following): POLS 423, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, or 598 (POLS 598 must be supervised by Dr. Lim or Dr. Siler)
- *Comparative Politics* (choose **two courses** from the following): POLS 446, 451, 452, 453, 455, 459, 531, or 598 (POLS 598 must be supervised by Dr. Lim or Dr. Siler)

Additional Course Recommendations

We *strongly recommend* all MA students to complete POLS 281 Quantitative Methods in Political Science and POLS 373 Foundations of Comparative Politics prior to enrolling in POLS 505 and POLS 550 respectively.