

## Public Policy

### *Interdisciplinary*

This concentration stresses the analysis and understanding of public-policy issues. Participants will learn how to apply the disciplines of economics and political science to analyze public-policy problems and to understand how public policy is formulated and implemented. Students begin by taking foundation courses in the two disciplines. The principles learned in these courses will then be applied to specific policy areas in the elective courses. The concentration culminates in an interdisciplinary capstone course focusing on the economic, moral and political considerations entailed in analyzing and evaluating public policy and its purposes. In a typical program, a student would take ECON 101 and 102 as a first-year or sophomore student, PSCI 310 in the sophomore year, one-and-a-half (1.5) units of electives following these foundation courses, and the capstone course, ECON/PSCI 440, in the senior year.

### REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CONCENTRATION

The concentration encompasses three-and-a-half (3.5) units in economics and political science. All students are required to take the three foundation courses and the capstone course. The foundation courses are ECON 101, ECON 102 and PSCI 310. The remaining one-and-a-half (1.5) units will be selected from the electives designated as appropriate for the concentration. Economics majors must take at least two (2) units in political science, excluding the capstone course, and political science majors must take at least two (2) units in economics, excluding the capstone course. Other majors must take at least one-and-a-half (1.5) units in each department.

### REQUIRED COURSES (OFFERED EVERY YEAR)

ECON 101 Principles of Microeconomics  
ECON 102 Principles of Macroeconomics  
ECON 440/PSCI 440 Capstone Seminar in Public Policy  
PSCI 310 Public Policy

### ECONOMICS ELECTIVES (NOT OFFERED EVERY YEAR)

ECON 331 Economics of Development  
ECON 335 Economics of Immigration  
ECON 336 Environmental Economics  
ECON 338 International Trade  
ECON 339 International Finance and Open-Economy Macroeconomics

ECON 342 Economics of Regulation  
ECON 343 Money and Financial Markets  
ECON 347 Economics of the Public Sector  
ECON 359 History of Political Economy  
ECON 378 Economics of Women and Work  
ECON 382 Economics of Education  
ECON 383 American Economic History  
ECON 386 Economics of Health

#### POLITICAL SCIENCE ELECTIVES (NOT OFFERED EVERY YEAR)

PSCI 300 Congress and Public Policymaking  
PSCI 313 Making U.S. Foreign Policy  
PSCI 342 Politics of Development  
PSCI 355 Immigration, Citizenship, and National Identity  
PSCI 361 Globalization  
PSCI 363 Global Environmental Politics  
PSCI 380 Gender and Politics  
PSCI 461 U.S. Defense Strategy in the Twenty-first Century  
PSCI 462 U.S. Foreign Policy after the Cold War  
PSCI 470 Power, States, and Markets: The Making of Modern Social Order  
PSCI 480 Science and Politics

The codirectors from the two departments, economics and political science, will certify when students have completed the concentration. Courses taken for the concentration may also count for the major.

#### **Courses**

ECON 101: Principles of Microeconomics  
ECON 102: Principles of Macroeconomics  
ECON 331: Economics of Development  
ECON 335: Economics of Immigration  
ECON 336: Environmental Economics  
ECON 338: International Trade  
ECON 339: International Finance and Open-Economy Macroeconomics  
ECON 342: Economics of Regulation  
ECON 343: Money and Financial Markets  
ECON 345: Futures and Options  
ECON 347: Economics of the Public Sector  
ECON 359: History of Political Economy  
ECON 378: Economics of Women and Work

ECON 382: Economics of Education  
ECON 383: American Economic History  
ECON 440: Capstone Seminar in Public Policy  
PSCI 300: Congress and Public Policymaking  
PSCI 310: Public Policy  
PSCI 313: Making U.S. Foreign Policy  
PSCI 342: Politics of Development  
PSCI 355: Immigration, Citizenship, and National Identity  
PSCI 363: Global Environmental Politics  
PSCI 380: Gender and Politics  
PSCI 440: Senior Seminar in Public Policy  
PSCI 462: U.S. Foreign Policy after the Cold War  
PSCI 470: Power, States, and Markets: The Making of Modern Social Order  
PSCI 480: Science and Politics