PUBLIC POLICY

REQUIREMENTS

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 THAT MEET THE CONCENTRATION REQUIREMENTS

- 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 344: Labor Economics
- ECON 345: Futures and Options
- ECON 347: Economics of the Public Sector
- ECON 359: History of Political Economy
- ECON 373: Economic Growth
- ECON 378: Economics of Women and Work
- ECON 382: Economics of Education
- ECON 383: American Economic History
- ECON 386: Economics of Health
- 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 470: Power, States, and Markets: The Making of Modern Social Order
- PSCI 480: Science and Politics