

# MINOR IN PUBLIC POLICY

With Capitol Hill and the White House as neighbors, GW is the ideal place to study political science. Inside the classroom, students learn from a faculty of leading experts in policy issues, political behavior, and current events. Outside the classroom, there are ample opportunities to intern on the Hill, on political campaigns, or at government agencies. Students interested in public policy may wish to add this focus to their major. By examining politics in-depth on both a national and international scale, program graduates are well prepared to enter a variety of careers in research, public affairs, public policy, and political campaigns. A number of graduates also decide to continue their education through graduate work or law school.

This program is not available to political science majors.

Visit the program website (<https://politicalscience.columbian.gwu.edu/>) for additional information.

## ADMISSIONS

For more information on the admission process, please visit the Office of Undergraduate Admissions website (<https://undergraduate.admissions.gwu.edu/>). Applications may be submitted via the Common Application (<https://go.gwu.edu/commonapp/>). Supporting documents not submitted online should be mailed to: Office of Undergraduate Admissions  
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## REQUIREMENTS

The minor in public policy is not available to political science majors. The following requirements must be fulfilled: 24 credits, including 15 credits in required courses and 9 credits in elective courses.

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Required</b>		
ECON 1011	Principles of Economics I	
ECON 1012	Principles of Economics II	
PSC 1001	Introduction to Comparative Politics	
or PSC 1001W	Introduction to Comparative Politics	
PSC 1002	Introduction to American Politics and Government	
or PSC 1002W	Introduction to American Politics and Government	
PSC 2101	Scope and Methods of Political Science	

or COMM 3110	Research Methods in Communication
or IAFF 2102	Quantitative Methods in International Affairs
or PSC 2102	Visualizing and Modeling Politics
or PSYC 2101	Research Methods in Psychology
or PUBH 3199	Topics in Public Health
or SMPA 2151	Research Methods
or SOC 2102	Techniques of Data Analysis

Note: PUBH 3199 must be taken on the topic Research Methods in Public Health to count toward the research methods requirement.

### Electives

Three courses (9 credits) selected from the following:

PSC 2212	State and Urban Policy Problems
PSC 2213	Judicial Politics
PSC 2216	The American Presidency
PSC 2217	Executive Branch Politics
PSC 2218	Legislative Politics
PSC 2219	Political Parties and Interest Groups
PSC 2222	Science, Technology, and Politics
PSC 2224	Issues in Domestic Public Policy
PSC 2240	Poverty, Welfare, and Work
PSC 2241	The Politics of Education Policy
PSC 2446	U.S. Foreign Policy
PSC 2468	Post-Soviet Foreign Policy