## **Political Science**

## **POLS 101 Introduction to Political Science**

3.0 units

Acceptable for credit: Transfer to UC, CSU

C-ID Course Number: POLS 150 Advisories: Eligibility for ENGL 101

This is an introductory course examining a variety of approaches to the study of political science with particular emphasis on the American political system in comparative perspective. Topics discussed include nature of politics, comparative politics, selected political philosophers, principles of government, methods used by political scientists, and American government. This course satisfies part of the history and government requirements for the California State Colleges and Universities and Allan Hancock College. Students receiving credit must demonstrate satisfactory knowledge about national and state government. (Fall, Spring) (Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass)

### **POLS 103 American Government**

3.0 units

Acceptable for credit: Transfer to UC, CSU

C-ID Course Number: POLS 110 Advisories: Eligibility for ENG 101

A study of American government at the national, state, and local levels. Governmental principles, institutions, and their historical development are examined. This course satisfies part of the history and government requirements for the California State Colleges and Universities, University of California, Allan Hancock College, and many private colleges. (F,S) (Fall, Spring) (Letter Grade or Pass/ No Pass)

#### **POLS 104 Introduction to International Relations** 3.0 units

Acceptable for credit: Transfer to UC, CSU

C-ID Course Number: POLS 140

Advisories: ENGL 101 - Freshman Composition: Exposition; and

POLS 103 - American Government

A study of the forces and conditions involved in the actions, interactions and relations of nations and organizations within the international system. Emphasis is placed on the tools of analysis for understanding and predicting behavior on the international stage, (Fall, Spring) (Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass)

## **POLS 105 Comparative Politics**

3.0 units

Acceptable for credit: Transfer to UC, CSU

C-ID Course Number: POLS 130

Advisories: ENGL 101 - Freshman Composition: Exposition; and

POLS 103 - American Government

This course is an introduction to the comparative analysis of contemporary governmental institutions, political processes and their environments. The survey includes current political institutions, citizen participation, political problems, politics, and policies within these systems. (Fall, Spring) (Letter Grade or Pass/ No Pass)

## **POLS 106 California Government and Politics**

1.0 unit

Acceptable for credit: Transfer CSU Advisories: ENGL 514 - Writing Skills 4

Introduction to the structure and function of California state government. Satisfies California state and local government requirement for students who have taken Federal, State, and Local Government without a California component or who receive Advanced Placement credit for American Government. (Spring)

(Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass)

## **POLS 110 Political Theory**

Acceptable for credit: Transfer CSU C-ID Course Number: POLS 120

Introduction to political theory. Focuses on concepts like: authority, liberty, equality, law, justice, community, rights, citizenship, property, class conflict, and constitutionalism. Readings from major thinkers, such as Plato, Aristotle, Augustine, Aquinas, Machiavelli, Locke, Hobbes, Rousseau, Marx, Nietzsche, Rawls, and others. (Fall, Spring) (Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass)

# **POLS 189 Independent Projects-Honors**

2.0 units

Acceptable for credit: Transfer CSU Prerequisite: program application

Honors courses designed to be an enriching experience associated with a specific general education course. The course material will either be a more in depth coverage of the material in the GE course, or will be more advanced material related to the course topics. (Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass)

## **POLS 199A Special Topics in Political Science**

1.0 unit

Acceptable for credit: D - Credit - Degree Applicable

C-ID Course Number: N/A

Advisories: ENGL 514 - Writing Skills 4 or eligibility for ENGL 101 This course will examine the campaigns, issues, electoral process and candidates for the United States Presidential election. (Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass)