Minors

Students must take a minimum of 18 semester credit hours for the minor, 12 of which must be upper-division semester credit hours. Students who take a minor will be expected to meet the normal prerequisites in courses making up the minor, and should maintain a minimum GPA of 2.000 on a 4.00 scale (C average). Semester credit hours may not be used to satisfy both the major and minor requirements; however, free elective semester credit hours or major preparatory classes may be used to satisfy the minor. The undergraduate minors in the School of Economic, Political and Policy Sciences are:

- Criminology
- Economics
- Geography
- Geospatial Information Sciences
- International Political Economy
- Political Science
- Public Affairs
- Public Health
- Public Policy
- Science, Technology, and Policy
- Sociology

Minor in Criminology: 18 semester credit hours

**Required Courses: 6 semester credit hours**

- CRIM 1301 Introduction to Criminal Justice
- CRIM 1307 Introduction to Crime and Criminology

**Upper-Division Courses: 12 semester credit hours**

Any CRIM upper-division courses excluding CRIM 4V97, CRIM 4V98, and CRIM 4V99.

Minor in Economics: 18 semester credit hours

**Required Courses: 9 semester credit hours**

- ECON 2301 Principles of Macroeconomics
 Minor in Geography: 18 semester credit hours

**Required Courses: 9 semester credit hours**
- **GEOG 2302** The Global Environment
- **GEOG 3304** Principles of Geospatial Information Sciences
- **GEOG 3370** The Global Economy

**Upper-Division Courses: 9 semester credit hours**
Any upper-division Geography (GEOG) or Geographic Information Sciences (GISC) courses, excluding **GEOG 4V97**.

Minor in Geospatial Information Sciences (GIS): 18 semester credit hours

**Required Courses: 9 semester credit hours**
- **GISC 2305** Spatial Thinking and Data Analytics
- **GISC 3304** or **GEOG 3304** Principles of Geospatial Information Sciences
- **GISC 4325** Introduction to Remote Sensing

**Upper-Division Courses: 9 semester credit hours**
Any upper-division Geography (GEOG) or Geographic Information Sciences (GISC) courses, excluding **GEOG 4V97**.

Minor in International Political Economy: 18 semester credit hours

Choose 6 courses from the following (with at least 4 being upper-division courses):
- **ECON 2301** Principles of Macroeconomics
- **ECON 2302** Principles of Microeconomics
Minor in Political Science: 18 semester credit hours

Required Courses: 6 semester credit hours

- **GOVT 2305** American National Government
- **GOVT 2306** State and Local Government

Upper-Division Courses: 12 semester credit hours

Any upper-division courses with a PSCI prefix except **PSCI 4V76**, **PSCI 4V97**, **PSCI 4V98** and **PSCI 4V99**.
Minor in Public Affairs: 18 semester credit hours

**Required Courses: 6 semester credit hours**

- **PA 3310** or **PSCI 3310** Managing Government Organizations
- **PA 3333** Human Resources Management: Leading a Diverse Workforce

**Upper-Division Courses: 12 semester credit hours**

Any upper-division course with a PA prefix with the exception of **PA 4V97**, **PA 4V98**, and **PA 4V99**.

Minor in Public Health: 18 semester credit hours

**Required Courses: 9 semester credit hours**

- **SOC 4369** Public Health and Society
- **SOC 4372** Health and Illness
- **SOC 4385** Global Health and Society

**Electives: 9 semester credit hours**

Any three (3) of the following courses will be accepted as electives for the minor. Other courses will be considered on a case-by-case basis by the program coordinator.

- **ECON 3330** Economics of Health
- **GEOG 3357** Spatial Dimensions of Health and Disease
- **GEOG 3372** Population and Development
- **HIST 3328** History and Philosophy of Science and Medicine
- **HLTH 1322** Human Nutrition
- **HLTH 3301** Issues in Geriatric Healthcare
- **HLTH 3305** The U.S. Healthcare System
- **HLTH 3310** Health Care Issues: Global Perspectives
- **HLTH 4380** Special Topics in Healthcare
- **HMGT 3301** Introduction to Healthcare Management
- **PSY 4328** Health Psychology
- **PSY 4346** Human Sexuality
- **SOC 4357** Drugs, Alcohol and Society
- **SOC 4371** Mental Health and Illness

Minor in Public Policy: 21 semester credit hours

Required Courses: 12 semester credit hours

- **GOVT 2305** American National Government
- **GOVT 2306** State and Local Government
- **ECON 2302** Principles of Microeconomics
- **PSCI 3325** American Public Policy

Upper-Division Courses: 9 semester credit hours

Choose three courses from the following:

- **IPEC 4301** Political Economy of Industrialized Countries
- **IPEC 4305** Topics in Science, Technology and Institutions
- **IPEC 4309** Urban Development
- **IPEC 4384** Health and Environmental Policy: A Global Perspective
- **PA 3380** Organizations: Theory and Behavior
- **PA 4351** Managing the Urban Environment
- **PA 4355** Managing Nonprofit Organizations
- **PPOL 4301** Law, Science, and Policy
- **PPOL 4302** Data and Policy
- **PPOL 4303** The Internet and Public Policy
- **PPOL 4396** Topics in Public Policy
- **PPOL 4398** Internship
- **PSCI 3310** Managing Government Organizations
- **PSCI 3322** Constitutional Law
- **PSCI 3326** Politics and Business
- **PSCI 3362** The American Political Institutions
- **PSCI 4304** Energy and Environmental Politics and Policy
- **PSCI 4305** Political Research
- **PSCI 4307** Predicting Politics
PSCI 4343 Congress and Public Policy  
Other classes as approved by program head

1. Course can be repeated for credit.  
2. PPOL 4398 can be used for Public Policy minor if it has not been used as part of the Major Core.

Minor in Science, Technology, and Policy: 18 semester credit hours

Required Courses: 9 semester credit hours

- **GOVT 2305** American National Government
- **PSCI 3325** American Public Policy
- **PPOL 4301** Law, Science, and Policy
  
  or **IPEC 4305** Topics in Science, Technology and Institutions

Elective Courses: 9 semester credit hours

Choose 3 courses from the following:

- **IPEC 4305** Topics in Science, Technology and Institutions
- **IPEC 4384** Health and Environmental Policy: A Global Perspective
- **PPOL 4301** Law, Science, and Policy
- **PPOL 4302** Data and Policy
- **PPOL 4303** The Internet and Public Policy
- **PPOL 4396** Topics in Public Policy
- **PSCI 4304** Energy and Environmental Politics and Policy
- **PSCI 4356** International Political Economy

1. May be used to fulfill the Elective Courses requirement of the Science, Technology, and Policy minor if not used in the Required Courses component.

Minor in Sociology: 18 semester credit hours

Required Courses: 9 semester credit hours

- **SOC 1301** Introduction to Sociology
- **SOC 3303** Classical Social Theory
SOC 4302 Class, Status, and Power

Upper-Division Courses: 9 semester credit hours

Any upper-division classes with a SOC prefix with the exception of SOC 4V97, SOC 4V98, and SOC 4V99.

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