

BS in Public Policy Administration, Emphasis in Public Policy

Public Policy Emphasis Area

~~In addition to the core curriculum requirements for all BSPA majors, students in the public policy emphasis area must take four political science courses, preferably selected from the policy and institutions courses listed below but which may include other political science course offerings as well.~~

~~Policy and Institutions Courses~~

Select four of the following:		12
POL SCI 1450	Introduction to Labor Studies	
POL SCI 2280	Judicial Politics	
POL SCI 2300	State Politics	
POL SCI 2350	Introduction to Urban Politics	
POL SCI 3300	The American Presidency	
POL SCI 3331	Congressional Politics	
POL SCI 3430	Union Leadership and Administration	
POL SCI 3450	Urban Administration	
POL SCI 3460	The Politics Of Poverty And Welfare	
POL SCI 3480	Environmental Policy	

~~POL SCI 4460~~

~~Course POL SCI 4460 Not Found~~

~~POL SCI 4510~~

~~Comparative Public Policy and Administration~~

~~Other political science course offerings.~~

~~Total Hours~~

~~12~~

Students will adopt a policy concentration of at least 15 credit hours **with approval from the BSPPA coordinator**. Possible areas of specialization include, but are not limited to, environmental policy, government and business, society and the legal system, urban policy, labor studies, health care, human services, and nonprofit service provision. In fulfilling the concentration requirement, students, in consultation with the BSPPA coordinator, will select courses from related disciplines **in addition to taking including at least two more** political science courses related to the policy area.

Sign-offs from other departments affected by this proposal

None

Rationale

Currently, very few (almost no) students elect to complete the Public Policy emphasis area, as it requires students to complete 12 hours of political science and 15 hours of an area of policy interest (ex: education, environment, health care, etc). The emphasis is 27 credit hours, in addition to the BSPPA core which is 29 hours. By reducing the hours in the Public Policy emphasis, we hope to make the emphasis a more focused curriculum that is attainable for students with an interest in Public Policy.