

The Ohio State University  
College of Arts and Sciences

Political Decision Making (POLDEC-MN)

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The minor in Political Decision Making is designed to accommodate the interests and the needs of students from a variety of majors who want to develop a coherent educational program in a sub-field of Political Science. This minor will provide students with the knowledge necessary to understand the methods by which citizens and elites arrive at solutions to political problems.

**Required Course:**

Polit Sc 4120                      United States Congress

**Elective Courses (choose 4):**

Polit Sc 3100                      American Politics and  
Policy Making  
Polit Sc 3115                      Introduction to the  
Policy Process  
Polit Sc 3910                      Identity Politics  
Polit Sc 3912                      Political Leadership  
Polit Sc 4132H                      Supreme Court  
Decision Making  
Polit Sc 4137                      The Politics of Legal  
Decision Making  
Polit Sc 4160                      Public Opinion  
Polit Sc 4164                      Political Participation  
and Voting Behavior  
Polit Sc 4175                      Women, Government,  
and Public Policy  
Polit Sc 4320                      Strategies for War and  
Peace  
Polit Sc 4331                      The United Nations  
System  
Polit Sc 4910 or 4910H              Business-Government  
Relations

**Political Decision Making minor program guidelines**

Required for graduation No

Credit hours required A minimum of 15 credit hrs. 1000 level courses shall not be counted toward the 15 credit hr minimum.

Transfer credit hours allowed A maximum of 6

Overlap with the GE Permitted, unless specifically disallowed by an individual minor program.

Overlap with the major Not allowed and

- The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
- The same courses cannot count on the minor and on the major.

Overlap between minors Each minor completed must contain 12 unique hours.

Grades required

- Minimum C- for a course to be listed on the minor.
- Minimum 2.00 cumulative point-hour ratio required for the minor.
- Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor.

Minor Approval The minor course work must be approved by either:

- The academic unit offering the minor, or
- A college/school counselor.

Filing the minor program form The minor program form must be filed at least by the time the graduation application is submitted to a college/school counselor.

Changing the minor Once the minor program is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by:

- The academic unit offering the minor, or
- A college/school counselor.

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