

The Ohio State University  
College of Arts and Sciences

Political Theory (POLITTH-MN)

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The Political Theory minor is intended 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 allow students to gain foundational knowledge in political theory and will help students develop informed attitudes on contemporary political issues.

**Required Course:**

Polit Sc 2400 or 2400H Introduction to  
Political Theory

**Elective Courses (choose 4):**

Polit Sc 3420 Political Theories of  
Democracy  
Polit Sc 3430 Political Theories of Freedom  
Polit Sc 3440 Political Theories of Justice  
Polit Sc 4411 Ancient and Medieval  
Political Thought  
Polit Sc 4412 Early Modern Political  
Thought  
Polit Sc 4413 Modern Political Thought  
Polit Sc 4414 Topics in Contemporary  
Political Thought  
Polit Sc 4420H Debating Democracy  
Polit Sc 4450H Politics and Ethics  
Polit Sc 4460 American Political Ideas

**Political Theory minor program guidelines**

The following guidelines govern this minor:

Required for graduation No

Credit hours required A minimum of 15 credit hrs. 1000 level courses shall not be counted in the minor. At least 9 credit hrs must be at the 3000-level or above.

Transfer and EM credit hours allowed

A student is permitted to count up to 6 total hours of transfer credit and/or credit by examination.

Overlap with the GE A student is permitted to overlap up to 6 credit hours between the GE and the minor.

Overlap with the major and additional minor(s)

- The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
- The minor must contain a minimum of 12 hours distinct from the major and/or additional minor(s).

Grades required

- Minimum C- for a course to be counted 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.
- No more than 3 credit hours of course work graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory may count toward the minor.

X193 credits No more than 3 credit hours.

Minor approval The minor course work must be approved by the academic unit offering the minor.

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.

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