

## POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT (POL) 460

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### General Department Information

The Department of Politics and Government provides students with a program that offers a broad liberal education and at the same time provides opportunities to begin a specialized concentration in one area of the discipline. The study of political science leads into careers in law and paralegal services; local, state, and federal governments and not-for-profit agencies; international public and private organizations; teaching and research; and in the private sector—especially government-related activities of business. Career information, including career-related courses offered by other departments, is available from the Department's undergraduate and pre-law advisors. Teacher Education students fulfill Professional Education requirements through the Social Sciences program.

### INTERDISCIPLINARY MINORS

The Department of Politics and Government participates in a number of interdisciplinary minors at the University. Coursework offered by the Department contributes to the following minors: African-American Studies, African Studies, Civic Engagement and Responsibility Studies, Ethnic Studies, European Studies, International Studies, Latin American and Latino/a Studies, Middle Eastern and South Asian Studies, Peace and Conflict Resolution Studies, Urban Studies, and Women's and Gender Studies. For further information on any of these minors and their advisors, please consult the Interdisciplinary Studies Programs section in this *Undergraduate Catalog*.

### HONORS IN POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

Students majoring or minoring in Political Science may be admitted to the Departmental Honors Program if they have: (1) completed at least 30 semester hours of college- or university-level courses, including at least 2 Political Science courses; (2) a minimum of 3 semesters remaining before graduation; (3) a cumulative GPA of 3.30; (4) one letter of recommendation submitted by a Politics and Government faculty member to the undergraduate advisor; (5) membership in the University Honors Program; and (6) admission approval from the Departmental Honors Advisor.

In order to graduate with honors in Politics and Government a student must complete: (1) all regular requirements for the Political Science Major; (2) 3 hours of in-course honors; (3) 3 hours in POL 302: Honors Seminar; (4) 3 hours of POL 299: Honors Independent Study; and (5) have a major GPA of at least 3.50.

Any student admitted to the University Honors Program may earn honors credit by completing the honors requirements of either a designated honors course or of a course offering an in-course honors option. Further details about the University Honors program are available at [Honors.IllinoisState.edu](http://Honors.IllinoisState.edu).

### Politics and Government Programs

Degrees Offered: B.A., B.S.

### MAJOR IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

- 40 hours in Politics and Government including at least 12 hours at the 200-level and at least 6 hours at the 300-level.
- Required courses: POL 100, 106, 138; either 140 or 141 either 150 or 151, 161, 296 and POL 398A01 or Legal Studies (LGS) 398A20 (minimum of 3 credit hours).
- POL 398A01 or LGS 398A20 may be substituted with an approved overseas academic experience (Study Abroad) *or* university sponsored academic experience (must be credit generating) *or* consent of the department chair.
- A maximum of 6 hours in POL 398A01 and LGS 398A20 may count toward a Political Science major.
- It is recommended that Political Science majors enroll in POL 100 in their first semester of study and in POL 106 in their second semester of study. Transfer students wishing to complete the major are recommended to enroll in POL 100 and 106 in their first year at Illinois State University if they have not already had equivalent courses.

### Concentrations:

The major in Political Science allows students the unique opportunity to tailor their electives to complement their career goals. Political Science majors may choose (but are not required) one of the followed concentrations. These concentrations are suggestions only and do not require strict obedience.

**American Politics:** POL 213, 214, 217, 218, 220, 221, 222, 225, 310, 312, 317.

**Comparative Politics:** POL 240, 242, 245, 246, 247, 340, 341, 344, 345, 349.

**International Relations:** POL 251, 252, 254, 255, 351, 352, 358.

**Public Law:** LGS 216; POL 215, 266, 318, 324, 325, 326, 327.

**Public Policy:** POL 231, 232, 236, 330, 331, 333, 334, 335.

**Political Theory:** POL 261, 262, 265, 266, 337, 338, 339, 361, 363.

**MINOR IN POLITICAL SCIENCE**

- 18 hours required in Politics and Government.
- Required courses: POL 100 and any 15 hours in Politics and Government.
- A maximum of 3 hours in POL 398A01 and LGS 398A20 may count toward a Political Science minor.  
**NOTE:** POL 398A01 or LGS 398A20 are not required for the minor.

**Legal Studies Program**

The Legal Studies curriculum is an American Bar Association approved paralegal educational program. It is designed to prepare students for a career as a paralegal in public and private law offices, corporate law departments, and government agencies. Students learn how to communicate effectively with both lawyers and laymen. When acting under an attorney’s supervision, a trained paralegal can perform many law-related tasks although they do not give legal advice to clients, set fees or represent clients in court. Paralegals may not provide legal services directly to the public except as permitted by law.

Admission to the Legal Studies major is limited and based on space availability and the competitiveness of the applicant pool. Factors that may be considered include, but are not limited to: courses completed, cumulative GPA, hours completed, personal interview or written statement, and samples of work completed. For additional information on minimum requirements for admission, and the application process, visit [IllinoisState.edu/Majors](http://IllinoisState.edu/Majors) or contact the undergraduate advisor for the intended major.

In order to gain admission into the Legal Studies minor, a student must have completed at least two (2) Legal Studies courses (one of which must be LGS 201); and must have earned a cumulative GPA of at least 2.50 in those two Legal Studies courses. For further information contact the Department of Politics and Government.

**MAJOR IN LEGAL STUDIES**

Degrees Offered: B.A., B.S.

- 40 hours in Legal Studies, required Politics and Government courses and approved electives.
- Required core courses: LGS 201, 203, 204, 370, 371, and 398A20 (3 hours); POL 106, 296.
- POL 398A20 may be substituted with one of the Legal Studies elective courses with consent of either the Department Chair or the Director of Legal Studies.
- Eighteen (18) hours in elective courses (9 hours must be Legal Studies electives) from the following:  
Legal Studies Electives: LGS 216, 314, 319, 322, 360, 372.  
Politics and Government Electives: POL 212, 215, 283, 293A03, 318, 324, 325, 326, 327.  
Other Electives: CJS 206, 215, 305; ENG 248; GEO 312; HIS 253; PHI 242, 340; SOC 365, 367; or other law-related courses specifically approved by the Director of Legal Studies.
- A maximum of six (6) hours in LGS 398A20 may count toward a Legal Studies major.

- It is recommended that Legal Studies majors enroll in POL 106 in their first year of study. Transfer students wishing to complete the major are recommended to enroll in POL 106 in their first year at Illinois State University if they have not already had an equivalent course.

**MINOR IN LEGAL STUDIES**

- 24 hours required.
- Required courses (15 hours): LGS 201, 203, 204, 370, 371.
- 9 hours selected from the following Legal Studies specialty courses: LGS 216, 314, 319, 322, 360, 372, 398A20.  
A maximum of 6 credits of internship can be counted toward fulfilling the Legal Studies requirements. Additional hours of internship may be taken for credit as University electives.
- **NOTE:** Only Legal Studies courses with a grade of C or better can count toward the minor.

**Politics and Government Courses (POL)**

Students should consult the Department advisor to learn which selected studies (189, 289, 389) courses may satisfy major requirements; this would include Politics and Government SENIOR SEMINAR, which counts toward fulfilling the 300-level hours requirement.

**100 INTRODUCTION TO POLITICS  
3 sem. hrs.**

Introduction to the concepts, terms, theories, and methods used in the discipline of political science. Prerequisite: Major or minor only.

**101 CITIZENS AND GOVERNANCE ICL  
3 sem. hrs.**

Examination of the nature and purpose of government, the rights and responsibilities of citizenship, and the impact of societal cleavages. May not be taken under the P/NP option. Not for major credit.

**106 U.S. GOVERNMENT AND CIVIC PRACTICES ICL  
3 sem. hrs.**

Examines the sources and effects of practices and institutions of participation, influence and cleavages in United States politics. May not be taken under the P/NP option. Not for credit if had POL 105.

**138 QUANTITATIVE REASONING IN POLITICAL SCIENCE QR  
3 sem. hrs.**

Uses a classroom laboratory approach to develop skills in statistical reasoning and method. May not be taken under the P/NP option. Not for credit if had ECO 138 or MQM 100. Prerequisite: MAT 113, 120, 130 or 145 or consent of the instructor.

**140 INTRODUCTION TO THE POLITICS OF AFRICA, ASIA, AND LATIN AMERICA SS  
3 sem. hrs.**

Overview of the politics and cultures of the peoples and countries of Africa, Asia, and Latin America.

**150 INTRODUCTION TO U.S. FOREIGN POLICY**  
**3 sem. hrs.**

The formulation, implementation, and content of United States foreign policy.

**151 INTRODUCTION TO INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**  
**3 sem. hrs.**

Survey and critical assessment of the modern international system, including state and non-state actors and major transnational issues.

**161 INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL THEORY**  
**3 sem. hrs.**

Critical consideration of basic political questions such as the nature of the state, civic order, and forms of government.

**212 THE POLITICS OF LEGAL DECISION MAKING**  
**3 sem. hrs.**

Examines the influence of political factors on the decision making engaged in by actors in the United States legal system. Prerequisite: POL 105 or 106 or consent of the instructor.

**213 U.S. CONGRESSIONAL POLITICS**  
**3 sem. hrs.**

Major congressional institutions and proposals for their reform. Prerequisite: POL 100, 105, or 106 or consent of the instructor.

**214 U.S. POLITICAL PARTIES**  
**3 sem. hrs.**

Study of roles, functions, effects, and consequences of political parties and interest groups in the United States. Prerequisite: POL 100, 105, or 106 or consent of the instructor.

**215 U.S. JUDICIAL PROCESS**  
**3 sem. hrs.**

Introduction to the major elements of the judicial system: police, lawyers, juries, and judges. Concentrates on organization and behavior. Prerequisite: POL 100, 105, or 106 or consent of the instructor.

**217 U.S. PRESIDENCY**  
**3 sem. hrs.**

The presidency is examined pre-eminently as an office of political influence, decision-making, and policy implementation. Prerequisite: POL 100, 105, or 106 or consent of the instructor.

**218 POLITICAL LEADERSHIP**  
**3 sem. hrs.**

An examination of leader roles, powers, and ethics in institutional and non-institutional settings in the political system broadly conceived. Prerequisite: POL 100 or 105 or 106 or consent of the instructor.

**220 CAMPAIGN POLITICS**  
**3 sem. hrs.**

Consideration of campaign planning, management, and activities through reading, discussion, and supervised student campaign participation. Ordinarily scheduled to coincide with federal primary and general election years. Prerequisite: POL 100, 105, or 106 or consent of the instructor. POL 214 recommended.

**221 U.S. STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS**  
**3 sem. hrs.**

Structures and functions of state and local governments. Includes discussion of comparative state and local politics and policy outputs. Prerequisite: POL 100, 105, or 106 or consent of the instructor.

**222 URBAN POLITICS AND PROBLEMS**  
**3 sem. hrs.**

A systems analysis of the processes and interactions of the environmental, social, economic, and power components of metropolitan political systems. Prerequisite: POL 100, 105, or 106 or consent of the instructor.

**225 WOMEN IN POLITICS**  
**3 sem. hrs.**

The study of the role of women in the political process. Prerequisites: 45 semester hours or consent of the instructor. POL 100, 105, or 106 recommended.

**231 PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION**  
**3 sem. hrs.**

Mission, structure, function, politics, and public policy development of public administration, including parameters of public finance and personnel. Prerequisite: POL 100, 105, or 106 or consent of the instructor.

**232 POLITICS AND PUBLIC POLICY**  
**3 sem. hrs.**

Introduction to the political processes of public policy formation, including theories, and an analysis and evaluation of selected policy areas. Prerequisite: POL 100, 105, or 106 or consent of the instructor.

**236 ENVIRONMENTAL POLITICS AND POLICY**  
**3 sem. hrs.**

An examination of the development and implementation of government policy on the environment. Prerequisite: POL 100, 105, or 106 or consent of the instructor.

**240 LATIN AMERICAN POLITICS**  
**3 sem. hrs.**

Politics of development and regional integration in South and Central America, using selected countries as examples. Prerequisite: Completion of 45 hours or consent of the instructor. POL 140 is recommended.

**241 EUROPEAN POLITICS**  
**3 sem. hrs.**

Comparative analysis of political systems and policies of European countries and the European Union. Prerequisite: Completion of 45 hours or consent of the instructor.

**245 ASIAN POLITICS**  
**3 sem. hrs.**

Comparative analysis of the political systems and policies of Asian nations. Prerequisite: Completion of 45 hours or consent of the instructor. POL 140 is recommended.

**246 AFRICAN POLITICS**  
**3 sem. hrs.**

Comparative analysis of African political systems, including such contemporary problems as the politics of race, nation building, and economic development. Prerequisite: Completion of 45 hours or consent of the instructor. POL 140 is recommended.

**247 MIDDLE EASTERN POLITICS****3 sem. hrs.**

Comparative analysis of the political systems of selected Middle Eastern states and of region-wide issues including nationalism, revolution, and conflict. Prerequisite: Completion of 45 hours or consent of the instructor. POL 140 or recommended.

**251 THEORIES AND CONCEPTS OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS****3 sem. hrs.**

Presentation of various approaches employed to study international politics, and an analysis of problems and prospects of the contemporary world. Prerequisite: Completion of 45 hours or consent of the instructor. POL 151 is recommended.

**252 INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS****3 sem. hrs.**

Introduction to the role of international organizations in world affairs. Preparation for Model United Nations. Prerequisite: Completion of 45 hours or consent of the instructor. POL is 151 recommended.

**254 GLOBAL ISSUES****3 sem. hrs.**

Transnational political interactions and behavior of global actors and their impact upon crucial socio-economic, technological, and cultural issues. Prerequisite: Completion of 45 hours or consent of the instructor. POL 151 is recommended.

**255 INTERNATIONAL CONFLICT AND SECURITY****3 sem. hrs.**

An examination of the nature of conflict and security arrangements among nations and their international actors. Prerequisite: Completion of 45 hours or consent of the instructor. POL 151 is recommended.

**261 CLASSICAL POLITICAL THEORY****3 sem. hrs.**

Introduction to the origin and development of inquiry about human life in political association with particular reference to ancient and medieval philosophers. Prerequisite: Completion of 45 hours or POL 161 or consent of the instructor.

**262 MODERN POLITICAL THEORY****3 sem. hrs.**

Introduction to political theory emphasizing the intentions, methods, and concepts of selected thinkers from the 16th through the 20th centuries. Prerequisite: Completion of 45 hours or POL 161 or consent of the instructor.

**265 AMERICAN POLITICAL THEORY****3 sem. hrs.**

Analysis and evaluation of major writings that proceed from, contribute to, or comment upon the American political experience. Prerequisite: Completion of 45 hours or POL 161 or consent of the instructor.

**266 AMERICAN LEGAL THEORIES****3 sem. hrs.**

A theoretical overview of the legal component of political science with particular reference to policies and institutions in the American legal system. Prerequisite: Completion of 45 hours or POL 161 or consent of the instructor.

**283 TRIAL ADVOCACY****3 sem. hrs.**

An introduction to fundamental techniques of trial advocacy in preparation for participation in intercollegiate mock trial competitions.

**296 POLITICAL SCIENCE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT****1 sem. hr.**

Preparation for internship and post-collegiate experience that includes resume building, interview skills, and graduate school direction. Prerequisites: Completion of 60 credit hours. Major only.

**300 SENIOR SEMINAR****3 sem. hrs.**

Intensive study of an announced area and the formulation of a comprehensive research paper. Prerequisites: POL major or minor and completion of 90 hours.

**302 HONORS SEMINAR****3 sem. hrs.**

Intensive study of an announced area and formulation of a cumulative research paper. Not for credit if had POL 300. Prerequisites: Enroll in University Honors Program and either completion of 60 hours or consent of the instructor.

**305 TOPICS IN AMERICAN GOVERNMENT****3 sem. hrs.**

Advanced topics covering specific topics in American Government. Multiple enrollments are allowed if content is different; maximum of 6 hours. Prerequisites: POL 100, 106 and one of the following: POL 212, 213, 214, 215, 217, 218, 221, 222, 231, 232, 233, 236, or consent of the instructor.

**310 VOTING AND ELECTIONS****3 sem. hrs.**

Intensive investigation of U.S. voting behavior and electoral process; includes instruction in analysis techniques. Prerequisites: Completion of 60 hours, POL 100, 106, or 138 or consent of the instructor.

**312 PUBLIC OPINION****3 sem. hrs.**

Includes attention to social and psychological bases of public opinion, current trends, methods of measurement, and opinion-policy linkages. Prerequisites: Completion of 60 hours, POL 100, 106, or 138 or consent of the instructor.

**317 U.S. POLITICS AND CULTURE AFTER VIETNAM****3 sem. hrs.**

Examination of the impact of the Vietnam War on contemporary U.S. politics. Prerequisites: Completion of 60 hours, POL 100, 106, or consent of the instructor.

**324 TOPICS IN PUBLIC LAW****3 sem. hrs.**

Selected topics focusing on specialized aspects of Public Law. Multiple enrollments are allowed if content is different; maximum of 6 hours. Also offered as LGS 324. Prerequisites: Completion of 60 hours, POL 100, 106 or consent of the instructor. POL 215 is recommended.

**325 CONSTITUTIONAL LAW:  
FUNCTIONS AND POWERS**  
3 sem. hrs.

Major Supreme Court decisions on federalism, separation of powers, taxation, commerce, voting, and citizenship. Prerequisite: Completion of 60 hours or consent of the instructor. POL 215 is recommended.

**326 CONSTITUTIONAL LAW:  
DUE PROCESS RIGHTS**  
3 sem. hrs.

Major Supreme Court decisions involving both procedural and substantive due process rights. Prerequisite: Completion of 60 hours or consent of the instructor. POL 215 is recommended.

**327 CONSTITUTIONAL LAW: EQUALITY  
AND FREE EXPRESSION**  
3 sem. hrs.

Major Supreme Court decisions involving discrimination, and freedom of speech, press, assembly, and religion. Prerequisite: Completion of 60 hours or consent of the instructor. POL 215 is recommended.

**328 CONSTITUTIONAL LAW: SUPREME  
COURT DECISIONS IN THE  
21ST CENTURY**  
3 sem. hrs.

Recent Supreme Court decisions involving right to bear arms, due process, equality, governmental functions, and powers, religion, and free expression. Prerequisite: Completion of 60 hours or consent of the instructor. POL 215 is recommended.

**330 PROBLEMS OF PUBLIC  
ADMINISTRATION**  
3 sem. hrs.

Varied approaches to problems relevant to public policy, organization development, management, staff, or personnel concerns, and applied behavioral techniques. Multiple enrollments are allowed if content is different. Prerequisite: POL 231 or consent of the instructor.

**331 HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT**  
3 sem. hrs.

The personnel process in American bureaucracy; matching the individual and the job; employer-employee relations; employee motivation; problems and prospects. Prerequisite: POL 231 or consent of the instructor.

**333 POLITICS, BUDGETS, AND TAXES**  
3 sem. hrs.

Meaning, significance, content, and evolution of governmental budgeting processes and reforms at all levels of government; political implications of fiscal reforms. Prerequisite: POL 231 or consent of the instructor.

**334 THE POLITICS OF RACE,  
ETHNICITY AND INEQUALITY**  
3 sem. hrs.

Analysis of contending theories and ideologies concerning the role of race and ethnicity in American politics and public policy. Prerequisite: POL 100, or 106 or consent of the instructor; POL 214, 231 or 232 or 327 recommended.

**337 GAY AND LESBIAN POLITICS  
AND THEORY**  
3 sem. hrs.

Explores LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender) political movements in historical context and with reference to claims for citizenship. Prerequisite: POL 225 or WGS 120 or consent of the instructor.

**338 GENDER AND POLITICAL THEORY**  
3 sem. hrs.

Examination of how gender shapes and is shaped by public policy formulation and implementation in different political and state contexts. Prerequisite: POL 225 or WGS 120 or consent of the instructor.

**339 PLAYGROUND TO POLITICS**  
3 sem. hrs.

Explores Generation Y in politics, media, economic and education systems. Prerequisite: Completion of 60 hours or consent of the instructor. POL 161 recommended.

**340 TOPICS IN LATIN AMERICAN  
POLITICS**  
3 sem. hrs.

Selected topics focusing on specialized aspects of Latin American politics. Multiple enrollments are allowed if content is different. Prerequisite: Select 1 of the following: HIS 263; POL 140, 240, or consent of the instructor.

**344 TOPICS IN GLOBAL STUDIES**  
3 sem. hrs.

Intensive review and analysis of critical global problems and strategies for dealing with them. Multiple enrollments are allowed if content is different. Prerequisite: Select 1 of the following: POL 150, 151, 251, 252, 254, 255, or consent of the instructor.

**345 TOPICS IN ASIAN POLITICS**  
3 sem. hrs.

Selected topics focusing on specialized aspects of Asian politics. Multiple enrollments are allowed if content is different. Prerequisite: Select 1 of the following: HIS 373, 375, POL 140, 245, 255, or consent of the instructor.

**349 TOPICS IN MIDDLE EAST POLITICS**  
3 sem. hrs.

Selected topics focusing on specialized aspects of Middle East politics. Multiple enrollments are allowed if content is different. Prerequisite: Select 1 of the following: HIS 272, POL 140, 247, or consent of the instructor.

**351 INTERNATIONAL LAW**  
3 sem. hrs.

Political nature, legal principles, and juridical procedures and cases of contemporary international law. Prerequisite: Select 1 of the following: POL 151, 251, 252, 254, 255, or consent of the instructor.

**352 HUMAN RIGHTS**  
3 sem. hrs.

General overview of human rights: philosophical foundation, historical development, main documents, institutions, movements and campaigns. Prerequisite: POL 140, 151, 251, 252, 254 or 255, or consent of the instructor.

**357 THE POLITICS OF MICROFINANCE****3 sem. hrs.**

Explores microfinance and its sociopolitical effect on gender empowerment and outreach to various ethnicities in need of economically sustainable support. Prerequisites: POL 140 or 141 and POL 150 or 151, or consent of the instructor.

**358 INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL ECONOMY****3 sem. hrs.**

An analysis of the structures of political power in the international political economy. Prerequisite: Select 1 of the following: POL 151, 251, 252, 254, 255, or consent of the instructor.

**361 TOPICS IN POLITICAL THEORY****3 sem. hrs.**

Selected advanced topics covering specific concepts or authors in political theory. Multiple enrollments are allowed if content is different. Prerequisite: POL 100, 106, or 161, or completion of 60 semester hours, or consent of the instructor.

**363 POLITICAL THEORIES OF NONVIOLENCE****3 sem. hrs.**

Analysis of contending theories and approaches regarding nonviolence and civil disobedience. Prerequisite: POL 100, 106, 161, 261, 262, 265, or consent of the instructor.

**398A01 PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE: PUBLIC SERVICE INTERNSHIP****1-16 sem. hrs.**

Planned, supervised experience in a governmental or community organization, providing on-the-job training and introduction to public service careers. Maximum 6 hours/POL major; maximum 3 hours/POL minor. Prerequisite: Complete department internship application procedure.

**Legal Studies Courses (LGS)**

The following courses are designed for the Legal Studies program. Except for LGS 201, 203, 204, and 398A20, these courses may not be counted for credit toward a Political Science major or minor. A maximum of 9 hours may be applied to a Political Science major or minor from Legal Studies courses.

**201 INTRODUCTION TO LAW FOR PARALEGALS****3 sem. hrs.**

A paralegal specialty course that introduces students to basic legal concepts, and the role of paralegals/legal assistants in the American legal system. Prerequisite: Completion of 45 hours.

**203 LEGAL RESEARCH I****3 sem. hrs.**

A writing-intensive, paralegal specialty course that introduces students to the basic techniques of legal research. Prerequisite: LGS 201 or consent of Legal Studies advisor.

**204 LEGAL RESEARCH II****3 sem. hrs.**

A writing-intensive paralegal specialty course that covers advanced legal research. Prerequisite: LGS 203.

**216 INTRODUCTION TO TORTS****3 sem. hrs.**

An introduction to the fundamental concepts of tort law. Topics include intentional and unintentional wrongs, varieties of liability, and courses of action. Not for credit POL major or minor.

**314 INVESTIGATIVE TECHNIQUES AND EVIDENCE****3 sem. hrs.**

Techniques for the gathering and preparation of evidence for use in legal disputes. Not for credit POL major or minor. Prerequisites: LGS 201 and 216.

**319 PROBATE LAW****3 sem. hrs.**

Introduction to the fundamentals of probate law with emphasis on tasks which can be performed by paralegals. Not for credit POL major or minor. Prerequisite: LGS 201 or consent of the instructor.

**322 FAMILY AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS LAW****3 sem. hrs.**

Overview of the laws and procedures governing legal aspects of marriage and child custody. Emphasis is placed on tasks which can be performed by paralegals. Not for credit POL major or minor. Prerequisite: LGS 201 or consent of the instructor.

**324 TOPICS IN PUBLIC LAW****3 sem. hrs.**

Selected topics focusing on specialized aspects of Public Law. Multiple enrollments are allowed if content is different; maximum of 6 hours. Also offered as POL 324. Prerequisites: Completion of 60 hours, POL 100, 106 or consent of the instructor. POL 215 is recommended.

**360 CRIMINAL LITIGATION****3 sem. hrs.**

An advanced paralegal specialty course covering criminal litigation from the commission of a crime through the trial and appellate stages. Not for credit POL major or minor. Prerequisite: LGS 201.

**370 LITIGATION I****3 sem. hrs.**

An advanced paralegal specialty course that covers both civil and criminal litigation from the filing of a legal action through the defendant's responses. Not for credit POL major or minor. Prerequisites: LGS 201 and 203.

**371 LITIGATION II****3 sem. hrs.**

An advanced paralegal specialty course that covers both civil and criminal litigation from the discovery and pretrial motions through the trial and appellate stages. Not for credit POL major or minor. Prerequisite: LGS 370.

**372 EMPLOYMENT LAW****3 sem. hrs.**

A paralegal specialty course covering retirement plans, collective bargaining agreements, workmen's compensation, anti-discrimination laws, and OSHA regulations. Not for credit POL major or minor. Prerequisite: LGS 201 or consent of the instructor.

**398A20 PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE: PARALEGAL INTERNSHIP****1-16 sem. hrs.**

Internship provides work experience involving paralegal skills. Maximum 6 hours LGS major; maximum 3 hours LGS minor. Prerequisites: LGS 201. Complete department internship application procedure.