Political Science

Official Program Checksheet

Why Choose the Political Science Minor?

Students in this minor learn how the American political system works from the local through the national levels of government, and how our political decision making process differs from other countries. Current public policy issues such as social security reform, health care legislation, and campaign finance regulations are analyzed. Students also learn how public opinion generated through the media, interest groups, political parties, and elections affects government. This minor complements majors that involve participation in public affairs, such as communication, criminal justice, education, law, public relations, and social welfare.

Admission Requirements

This Political Science minor is open to any student admitted to Ferris State and pursuing a baccalaureate degree except those pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Political Science. The minor is designed to complement any other Ferris major program. A maximum of 1/3 of the credits, but no more than 7 credits, in a minor may overlap with the student's major. Students may apply 6 credit hours of overlap between minors.

Graduation Requirements

An academic minor may only be awarded upon completion of a baccalaureate degree at Ferris State. This minor requires a minimum of 18 credits with a minimum 2.0 grade average in these courses.

Also, 50 percent of the credits for a minor must be taught by Ferris State University.

More Information

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