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.