

# POLITICAL SCIENCE EDUCATION MINOR FOR SECONDARY TEACHING

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This Political Science education minor is intended for Secondary certification students and consists of a minimum of 24 credits. Candidates for certification in this minor must pass the Michigan Test for Teacher Certification (MTTC) in Political Science (Test #10). You must demonstrate your knowledge in the following categories:

<b>Subarea</b>	<b>Approximate % of Questions on Test</b>
1. Foundations of Political Science	25%
2. U.S. Government	35%
3. History, Economics, and Geography	20%
4. Social Science Perspectives and Skills	20%

You may access a study guide at the MTTC testing site; the courses below have been selected so that you will be well prepared for the test. In addition to the required political science courses, students are encouraged to take statistics and economics courses.

### **FOUNDATION COURSES - REQUIRED (20 credits)**

SUBJECT/ COURSE	TITLE	CREDIT HOURS	SEMESTER	GRADE
POL 100	Intro to American Political Institutions	4		
POL 201	Political Geography	4		
POL 221	State and Local Government	4		
POL 235	Public Administration and Policy	4		
POL 251	International Relations	4		

### **UPPER LEVEL COURSES *Must choose one of the following: (4 credits)***

SUBJECT/ COURSE	TITLE	CREDIT HOURS	SEMESTER	GRADE
POL 262	Latin American Politics	4		
POL 295	African Politics	4		
POL 303	Asian Politics	4		

### **A METHODS COURSE - REQUIRED (3 credits)**

(The Social Studies methods course is considered pedagogy and will be counted with your education courses for certification.) **This MUST be completed prior to the student teaching semester!**

COURSE	TITLE	CR. HRS.	SEMESTER	GRADE
EDUC 321	Teaching of Social Studies in the Secondary School (Fall Semester only)	2		
EDUC 322	Teaching of Social Studies in the Secondary School Field Placement (Fall Semester only)	1		