

# POLITICAL SCIENCE (PSCI)

## PSCI A101 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

### Survey of Current Issues

**Grading Mode:** Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

**Transfer Credit:** CSU; UC.

Survey of current issues and events in American and/or world politics. Focus will be on issues and problems of political significance, opposing viewpoints in the political realm, analysis and evaluation of arguments, and ideological and political conflict. Graded or Pass/No Pass option.

## PSCI A110 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

### International Relations

**Grading Mode:** Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

**Transfer Credit:** CSU; UC.

Introduction to international relations theory with an examination of national, international, transnational, and sub-national actors and their institutions interactions and processes as they relate to global issues. Study of the functions of power, ideology, diplomacy, international law, and organization, as well as military and economic factors. Consideration of United States, Russian, and Chinese foreign policy and prominent cold war and post-cold war problems as they illustrate concepts of international politics. Graded or Pass/No Pass option. **C-ID:** POLS 140.

## PSCI A180 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

### American Government

**Grading Mode:** Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

**Transfer Credit:** CSU; UC.

An introduction to the principles and problems of government with particular emphasis on the American political system at all levels. This course satisfies the state college requirements in the Constitution of the United States, state, and local governments. This course may also be offered online. Graded or Pass/No Pass option. **C-ID:** POLS 110.

## PSCI A180H 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

### American Government Honors

**Grading Mode:** Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

**Transfer Credit:** CSU; UC.

An introduction to the principles and problems of government with particular emphasis on the American political system at all levels. This course satisfies the state college requirements in the Constitution of the United States, state, and local governments. Graded or Pass/No Pass option. **C-ID:** POLS 110.

## PSCI A185 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

### Comparative Politics

**Grading Mode:** Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

**Transfer Credit:** CSU; UC.

An introduction to comparative empirical analysis of selected political systems, including advanced democracies, communist and former communist countries, and less developed countries, with an emphasis on governmental institutions and political processes. Particular attention is placed on the relationship between institutions and behavior. Graded or Pass/No Pass option. **C-ID:** POLS 130.

## PSCI A188 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

### Introduction to Political Theory

**Grading Mode:** Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

**Transfer Credit:** CSU; UC.

An introduction to selected political theorists and concepts from Plato to the present. Focus on the Western tradition and its major texts by reading ancient, modern, and contemporary political thinkers to examine their arguments on the nature of government and politics. Graded or Pass/No Pass option. **C-ID:** POLS 120.

## PSCI A190 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

### Introduction to American Legal System

**Grading Mode:** Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

**Transfer Credit:** CSU; UC.

An overview of the American legal system, its structure, and history. Reviews many aspects of the law and judicial process: the adversarial system, powers and jurisdiction of the federal and state courts, judicial review, legal education, the legal profession, and other related topics. Graded or Pass/No Pass option.

## PSCI A200 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

### Introduction to Political Science

**Grading Mode:** Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

**Transfer Credit:** CSU.

An introduction to the study of politics. Explores the approaches, theories, methods, and models of the discipline and its subfields to prepare students for a systematic examination of the political world and its many faces around the globe. Graded or Pass/No Pass option. **C-ID:** POLS 150.

## PSCI A201 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

### Introduction to Political Science Research Methods

**Prerequisite(s):** SOC A100 or SOC A100H.

**Grading Mode:** Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

**Transfer Credit:** CSU.

Introduces basic steps in the research process and/or basic steps in critically evaluating discussions on social issues using a variety of research methodologies. Emphasizes the scientific investigation of social subject matter. Graded or Pass/No Pass option. **C-ID:** POLS 160.