

APPLIED POLITICS, CERTIFICATE

Certificate in Applied Politics (370005C)

The Certificate in Applied Politics focuses on practical politics and experiential learning. It is designed for undergraduate students interested in election campaigns, digital strategy and messaging, fundraising, managing organizations, government relations, civic engagement, and other political activities. Believing that democracy is best served by having active and informed citizens, the certificate is open to all students, no matter what their degree program.

Requirements for Admission

Enrollment status as full-time or part-time, special, or non-degree in any department of the University.

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The following information has official approval of **The Department of Political Science** and **The Buchtel College of Arts & Sciences**, but is intended only as a guide. Completion of this certificate is contingent upon many factors, including but not limited to: class availability, total number of required credits, work schedule, finances, family, course drops/withdrawals, successfully passing courses, prerequisites, among others.

The following courses constitute a "Certificate in Applied Politics" and must be completed with a minimum grade point average of 2.0 overall for the certificate to be noted on the student's record. Students must maintain at least a B average in their coursework for the certificate. Political Science majors will, upon completion of the program, be awarded a B.A. or B.S. degree in Political Science with a Certificate in Applied Politics. Majors in other disciplines will have the Certificate noted on their permanent record.

Summary

Code	Title	Hours
	Required Courses	9
	Internship	3
	Elective Courses	6
Total Hours		18

Required Courses

Code	Title	Hours
Complete nine credits of the following courses:		9
POLIT 455	Civic Engagement and Political Behavior	3
POLIT 456	Deliberation and Political Disagreement	3
POLIT 470	Fundamentals of Political Strategy	3
POLIT 471	Fundamentals of Electoral Messaging	3
POLIT 472	Campaign Finance, Fundraising, and Budgeting	3
POLIT 478	Fundamentals of the Digital Campaign	3

Internship

Code	Title	Hours
Complete the following course:		3
POLIT 395	Internship in Government & Politics (Complete the following requirement)	3

Elective Courses

Code	Title	Hours
Complete six credits of the following courses:		6
POLIT 395	Internship in Government & Politics ¹	
POLIT 397	Independent Study: Political Science	
POLIT 400	Political Extremism & Violence	
POLIT 402	Politics and the Media	
POLIT 422	Understanding Racial and Gender Conflicts	
POLIT 423	Women, Gender, and Politics	
POLIT 427	Campaign Battleground	
POLIT 428	Ohio Politics	
POLIT 440	Survey Research Methods	
POLIT 441	The Policy Process	
POLIT 442	Methods of Policy Analysis	
POLIT 463	Human Rights in World Politics	
POLIT 473	Voter Contact & Elections	
POLIT 474	Political Opinion, Behavior & Electoral Politics	
POLIT 475	American Interest Groups	
POLIT 476	American Political Parties	
POLIT 477	Government Relations and Lobbying	
POLIT 480	Policy Problems in Political Science	
POLIT 492	Selected Topics in Political Science	
Total Hours		6

¹ If students complete more than three credits of this course in fulfillment of their core requirements, the additional credit may be applied toward this elective category.