

2025-26 Projected Political Science Graduate Seminars

Subject to Change
Last updated November 2025

All seminars are 5 credits. Pol S 595 is 1 credit.

See website for requirements: <https://www.polisci.washington.edu/doctoral-program-requirements>

AUTUMN 2025	WINTER 2026	SPRING 2026
POL S 500 – Long POLITICAL RESEARCH	POL S/CSSS 501 – Staff ADV POL RESEARCH	POL S/CSSS 503 – Staff ADV QUANT POL MTHD
POL S/CSSS 510 – Adolph MAX LIKELIHOOD METH	POL S 522 – Prakash INTL POLITICAL ECON Required for International Relations AND Political Economy	Pol S 505 – Long COMP POLITICS CORE
POL S 514/401 – Rotem POL THEORY TOPICS: <i>The Political Theory of Hannah Arendt</i>	POL S 550 – Thorpe AMERICAN POL CORE	Pol S 512/CSSS 512 – Adolph TIME SER PANEL DATA
POL S 544/447/JSIS A 520/420 – Radnitz COMP GOVT TOPICS: <i>Post-Soviet Security</i>	POL S 559 – G. Wallace POL METHODS TOPICS: <i>Qualitative and Mixed Methods</i>	POL S 514 – Turner POL THEORY TOPICS: <i>Democracy as a Way of Life</i>
POL S 565 – Cichowski PUBLIC LAW TOPICS: <i>Researching Comparative & International Legal Institutions</i>	POL S 564 – McLemore LAW AND THE POLITICS OF SOCIAL CHANGE	POL S 527 – Levy INTL RELATNS TOPICS: <i>Civil Wars</i>
POL S 570 – S. Wallace AMER RACIAL STATE	POL S/472/JSIS B 572/472 – R. Pekkanen ELECTORAL SYSTEMS	POL S 532/JSIS A 532 – Whiting CHINA POL SYSTEMS
POL S 583 – Gill POL-ECON THEORIES	POL S 580/480/JSIS A 566/466 – Ha COMPAR POL KOREA ST	POL S 555 – Smith AMERICAN POL TOPICS: <i>Parties and Ideologies in American Politics</i>
Pol S 595, 1 cr. – TBA TEACHING POL S	POL S 588 – Cansunar COMP POLIT ECON TPCS: Historical Comparative Political Economy	POL S 588 – Menaldo COMP POLIT ECON TPCS: <i>Political Economy of Innovation</i>

1st Year Methods Sequence Courses

* Required unless a special exemption is granted. [See website.](#)

1. POL S 500 – REQUIRED

2. * POL S/CSSS 501

3. * POL S/CSSS 503 OR [Qualitative & Mixed Methods Course](#) before earning UW Political Science MA

POL S 595 – REQUIRED for all 1st Year TAs

Courses Taught Every Other Year	Offered 2025-26 (repeated in 2027-28)	Offered 2026-27 (repeated in 2028-29)
Core Courses	Pol S 505, Comparative Politics Core Pol S 550, American Politics Core	Pol S 509, Political Theory Core Pol S 521, International Relations Core
IR Required Courses	Pol S 522, International Political Economy	Pol S 524, International Security
PE Required Courses	Pol S 522, International Political Economy Pol S 583, Economic Theories of Politics	Pol S 584, Comparative Political Economy