The minor in American government provides students the opportunity to focus on the most relevant features of American government, its institutions, the political behavior of its citizens and leaders, and the defining political questions of our time.

Faculty
Travis (minor advisor)

Admissions & Policies

Policies
Students pursuing this minor must complete 18 credits in government with a minimum grade of 2.00 in each course. Eight credits of coursework must be unique to the minor. For policies governing all minors, see AP.5.3.4 Minors.

Requirements

Minor Requirements
Total credits: 18

Core Course
GOVT 103  Introduction to American Government (Mason Core)  3

Total Credits  3

Electives
Select five electives from the following:  15
Any course on political institutions: GOVT 301–GOVT 309
Any course on political behavior GOVT 310–GOVT 319
Any course from GOVT 409–GOVT 420
GOVT 344  American Foreign Policy
GOVT 480  Internship 1

Total Credits  15

1 When topic is relevant, 3 credits of GOVT 480 Internship may be applied to the minor with approval of the minor advisor.