

# POLS M122: INDEPENDENT STUDY - POLITICAL SCIENCE

**Originator**

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**College**

Moorpark College

**Discipline (CB01A)**

POLS - Political Science

**Course Number (CB01B)**

M122

**Course Title (CB02)**

Independent Study - Political Science

**Banner/Short Title**

Indep. Study-Political Science

**Credit Type**

Credit

**Start Term**

Fall 2023

**Formerly**

POLS M22A - Independent Study-Pol Sc

**Catalog Course Description**

Allows independent study for students who wish to extend their knowledge of a particular area of Political Science through research and study. Utilizes an approved independent study project. Includes one-on-one work with instructor. Interested students should contact a Political Science instructor for assistance in developing a contract for learning about a specific topic.

**Additional Catalog Notes**

Transfer credit: CSU; UC (determined after transfer).

**Taxonomy of Programs (TOP) Code (CB03)**

2207.00 - Political Science

**Course Credit Status (CB04)**

D (Credit - Degree Applicable)

**Course Transfer Status (CB05) (select one only)**

B (Transferable to CSU only)

**Course Basic Skills Status (CB08)**

N - The Course is Not a Basic Skills Course

**SAM Priority Code (CB09)**

E - Non-Occupational

**Course Cooperative Work Experience Education Status (CB10)**

N - Is Not Part of a Cooperative Work Experience Education Program

**Course Classification Status (CB11)**

Y - Credit Course

**Educational Assistance Class Instruction (Approved Special Class) (CB13)**

N - The Course is Not an Approved Special Class

**Course Prior to Transfer Level (CB21)**

Y - Not Applicable

**Course Noncredit Category (CB22)**

Y - Credit Course

**Funding Agency Category (CB23)**

Y - Not Applicable (Funding Not Used)

**Course Program Status (CB24)**

1 - Program Applicable

**General Education Status (CB25)**

Y - Not Applicable

**Support Course Status (CB26)**

N - Course is not a support course

**Field trips**

Will not be required

**Grading method**

(L) Letter Graded

**Alternate grading methods**

(O) Student Option- Letter/Pass

(P) Pass/No Pass Grading

**Does this course require an instructional materials fee?**

No

**Repeatable for Credit**

No

**Is this course part of a family?**

No

**Units and Hours**

**Carnegie Unit Override**

No

**In-Class**

**Lecture**

**Activity**

**Laboratory**

**Minimum Contact/In-Class Laboratory Hours**

26.25

**Maximum Contact/In-Class Laboratory Hours**

157.5

**Total in-Class****Total in-Class****Total Minimum Contact/In-Class Hours**

26.25

**Total Maximum Contact/In-Class Hours**

157.5

**Outside-of-Class****Internship/Cooperative Work Experience**

Paid

Unpaid

**Total Outside-of-Class**

Total Outside-of-Class

**Total Student Learning****Total Student Learning****Total Minimum Student Learning Hours**

26.25

**Total Maximum Student Learning Hours**

157.5

**Minimum Units (CB07)**

.5

**Maximum Units (CB06)**

3

**Prerequisites**

Completion of one course in Political Science and instructor approval

**Entrance Skills****Entrance Skills**

Completion of one course in Political Science and instructor approval

**Requisite Justification****Requisite Type**

Prerequisite

**Requisite**

Completion of one course in Political Science and instructor approval

**Requisite Description**

Credit program requisite (credit only)

**Level of Scrutiny/Justification**

Other (specify)

**Specify Other Level of Scrutiny/Justification**

Student should have some level of course work knowledge in the discipline to have a better understanding and appreciation for the learning objectives of the independent study.

**Student Learning Outcomes (CSLOs)**

**Upon satisfactory completion of the course, students will be able to:**

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|---|---|
| 1 | evaluate arguments presented in a primary / secondary source and use those arguments to evaluate current events for any topic in Political Science. |
| 2 | use evidence (qualitative or quantitative) to defend a position related to any topic in Political Science.  |

**Course Objectives**

**Upon satisfactory completion of the course, students will be able to:**

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|---|---|
| 1 | develop a research plan with the faculty member that encompasses at least one of the fields of political science (e.g., American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations, Political Theory, or Political Behavior). |
| 2 | analyze new data and conduct further research to assess the accuracy of their information and findings.   |
| 3 | formulate statements designed to assess the applicability of their knowledge to other related topics.   |

**Course Content****Lecture/Course Content**

n/a

**Laboratory or Activity Content**

100% Project content and specific topics will be determined by the student in consultation with the supervising faculty member.

**Methods of Evaluation**

**Which of these methods will students use to demonstrate proficiency in the subject matter of this course? (Check all that apply):**

Written expression

**Methods of Evaluation may include, but are not limited to, the following typical classroom assessment techniques/required assignments (check as many as are deemed appropriate):**

Essay exams  
 Problem-solving exams  
 Skills demonstrations  
 Other (specify)  
 Projects  
 Reports/Papers/Journals

**Other**

Evaluation methods will be determined by the instructor in consultation with the student.

**Instructional Methodology**

**Specify the methods of instruction that may be employed in this course**

Distance Education  
 Laboratory activities  
 Other (specify)

**Specify other method of instruction**

The specific methods to be used will be determined by the supervising faculty member in consultation with the student.

**Representative Course Assignments****Writing Assignments**

essays, term projects, fieldwork reports, library research and literature reviews. to be determined in conversations between the instructor and the student.

**Critical Thinking Assignments**

projects to be determined in conversations between the instructor and the student.

**Reading Assignments**

to be determined in conversations between the instructor and the student.

**Skills Demonstrations**

to be determined in conversations between the instructor and the student.

**Outside Assignments**

**Representative Outside Assignments**

projects to be determined in conversations between the instructor and the student.

**Articulation**

**Equivalent Courses at other CCCs**

College	Course ID	Course Title	Units
Ventura College	POLS V90	Directed Studies in Political Science	1-6
Oxnard College	POLS R199	Directed Studies in Political Science	1-3

**District General Education**

**A. Natural Sciences**

**B. Social and Behavioral Sciences**

**C. Humanities**

**D. Language and Rationality**

**E. Health and Physical Education/Kinesiology**

**F. Ethnic Studies/Gender Studies**

**Course is CSU transferable**

Yes

**CSU Baccalaureate List effective term:**

F1998

## **CSU GE-Breadth**

**Area A: English Language Communication and Critical Thinking**

**Area B: Scientific Inquiry and Quantitative Reasoning**

**Area C: Arts and Humanities**

**Area D: Social Sciences**

**Area E: Lifelong Learning and Self-Development**

**Area F: Ethnic Studies**

**CSU Graduation Requirement in U.S. History, Constitution and American Ideals:**

## **IGETC**

**Area 1: English Communication**

**Area 2A: Mathematical Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning**

**Area 3: Arts and Humanities**

**Area 4: Social and Behavioral Sciences**

**Area 5: Physical and Biological Sciences**

**Area 6: Languages Other than English (LOTE)**

## **Textbooks and Lab Manuals**

### **Resource Type**

Other Resource Type

### **Description**

Specific books, articles, etc. used will be determined by the supervising faculty member in consultation with the student..

## **Library Resources**

### **Assignments requiring library resources**

Research projects using the Library's print and online resources.

### **Sufficient Library Resources exist**

Yes

### **Example of Assignments Requiring Library Resources**

Projects to be determined in conversation between the instructor and the student.

## **Distance Education Addendum**

### **Definitions**

#### **Distance Education Modalities**

Hybrid (1%–50% online)  
Hybrid (51%–99% online)  
100% online

## Faculty Certifications

Faculty assigned to teach Hybrid or Fully Online sections of this course will receive training in how to satisfy the Federal and state regulations governing regular effective/substantive contact for distance education. The training will include common elements in the district-supported learning management system (LMS), online teaching methods, regular effective/substantive contact, and best practices.

Yes

Faculty assigned to teach Hybrid or Fully Online sections of this course will meet with the EAC Alternate Media Specialist to ensure that the course content meets the required Federal and state accessibility standards for access by students with disabilities. Common areas for discussion include accessibility of PDF files, images, captioning of videos, Power Point presentations, math and scientific notation, and ensuring the use of style mark-up in Word documents.

Yes

## Regular Effective/Substantive Contact

### Hybrid (1%–50% online) Modality:

Method of Instruction	Document typical activities or assignments for each method of instruction
Asynchronous Dialog (e.g., discussion board)	The faculty advisor may post discussion topics regarding the student project or the internship learning objectives and encourage dialog. These discussion topics may aim to probe and assess student knowledge and progress, or lead the student to explore new concepts and experiment with novel approaches to either problem solving or conquering the learning objectives.
E-mail	The faculty advisor and the student may utilize emails to communicate regularly about a variety of matters including but not limited to upcoming meetings, events, due dates, project details, etc. The student may also email the faculty advisor any documents about the project which will require an action on the part of the faculty advisor.
Face to Face (by student request; cannot be required)	The student may request face-to-face meetings with the advisor to discuss any issues of concern regarding either the learning outcomes of the project, the work environment, or obstacles that are hindering the student's progress. Additionally, the student may request a face-to-face meeting perhaps to demonstrate a skill that the student has learned, or the operation of a device that the student has built, or an art piece that the student has created.
Synchronous Dialog (e.g., online chat)	The faculty advisor may schedule online meeting times with the student to discuss the student's learning objectives, have a dialogue about the student's progress, clarify expectations, or answer questions. The faculty advisor may also meet online with the student and the work site supervisor to discuss the student's contributions to the work place, and any areas of strength or concerns that would help the faculty advisor better guide the student's experience.
Telephone	The faculty advisor and the student may utilize video conferencing for lessons, discussions, collaborations, or Q/A sessions. Video conferencing may also be utilized for student progress and student work assessment and evaluation where the student can illustrate and discuss the outcomes of the learning objectives

### Hybrid (51%–99% online) Modality:

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**Examinations****Hybrid (1%–50% online) Modality**

On campus



Online

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On campus

Online

**Primary Minimum Qualification**

POLITICAL SCIENCE

**Review and Approval Dates**

**Department Chair**

09/29/2022

**Dean**

10/04/2022

**Technical Review**

10/06/2022

**Curriculum Committee**

10/18/2022

**DTRW-I**

MM/DD/YYYY

**Curriculum Committee**

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**Board**

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