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**NEW PROGRAM PROPOSAL FORM**

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**Sponsoring Institution(s):** Harris-Stowe State University  
**Program Title:** Political Science  
**Degree/Certificate:** Bachelor in Science  
**Options:** Choice of one of areas of concentration for a B.S. in Political Science

1. Minor in Urban Politics
2. Minor in Public Policy and Administration
3. Minor in Pre-Law
4. Minor in International Relations

**Delivery Site(s)** Harris-Stowe State University

**CIP Classification**

**Implementation Date:** Fall 2015

**Cooperative Partners:** None

**AUTHORIZATION:**



January 30, 2015

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**MISSION STATEMENT:**

Harris-Stowe State University is uniquely positioned as a historic institution to offer its students an opportunity to research and learn about the political ordering by offering a degree program in Political Science. It is our civic responsibility as scholars and leaders to train our students in the privileges and responsibilities pertaining to living in a democratic society, and our program in Political Science is specifically designed to educate our students in the functioning of society and its institutions. Recent events have cast a troubling light on our community and the best way we can contribute for a better future is to build an engaged, informed and civic minded citizenship that will contribute to the common good.

**RATIONALE:**

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quality higher education experience that is both affordable and accessible to the diverse populations within and beyond the metropolitan St. Louis region. The university seeks to accomplish this overarching goal through an extensive academic support program, a college-preparatory academy for urban youth, supervision of student progress and through many community outreach and collaborative partnerships with businesses, government and educational institutions.

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**SOCIETAL NEED**

Few majors in college can have a transformative impact in the lives of students than political science in helping train leaders and citizens for our communities. Besides the educational and civic benefits of studying political science, the American Political Science Association lists the diverse professional opportunities that are available for majors in political science. Information is available on their website at <http://www.apsanet.org/careersinpoliticalscience> Political science is one of the majors that contribute to informed citizenship and provide training in a wide variety of fields and disciplines and our students at Harris-Stowe deserve to access them by giving them a chance to study Political Science.

**PROGRAM STRUCTURE**

**A Bachelor of Science Degree in Political Science requires:**

- 1) 42 General education credits

- 2) 42 Credits to fulfill major requirements
- 3) 18 Credits for electives in Political Science
- 4) 18 Credits that are free electives:
  - i) Students can earn 6 credit hours if writing a thesis
- 5) 3 Credits for capstone project

Total credits required for matriculation in the degree program in Political Science is 120 hours.

### Areas of Concentration (Minors)

Four areas of concentration will be offered in Urban Politics, Public Policy and Administration, International Relations and Pre-Law. As an urban institution, Urban Politics would be a desirable concentration for many of our students who will remain in the metropolitan area long after they graduate from Harris-Stowe State University. The concentration in Urban Politics provides opportunities to closely study the structure of local government, issues of power and politics. Furthermore a concentration in Public Policy Administration will provide training for any student who wishes to pursue a career in municipal politics or in policy research and analysis. Finally the Pre-Law concentration will introduce our students to the professional study of law and increase their learning and awareness of the institutions of law and ancillary bodies that play a large role in American society. Issues of justice, fairness, equity are great areas of concern and a Pre-Law program may encourage some students to pursue a career in law by entering law school. Finally, in a globalized world, students must develop an understanding of how the politics of states and economies intersect and collide between competing interests and institutions.

#### Minor in Urban Politics: 12-15 credits in the following courses

Course Number	Credits	Course Title
POSC 02XX	3	Urban Politics ( <i>changed from POSC 0390</i> )
POSC 02XX	3	Public Policy ( <i>changed from POSC 0380</i> )
POSC 03XX	3	State and Regional Politics ( <i>new course</i> )
POSC 04XX	3	Public Sector Economics ( <i>needs POSC-PADM 0440</i> )
POSC 04XX	3	Political Geography ( <i>needs POSC-GEOG 0435</i> )
POSC 04XX	3	Urban Planning ( <i>needs POSC-URST 0400</i> )
POSC 04XX	3	Topics in Urban Studies ( <i>needs POSC-URST 0490</i> )

#### Minor in Public Policy Administration: 12-15 credits in the following courses

Course Number	Credits	Course Title
POSC 02XX	3	Public Policy ( <i>changed from POSC 0380</i> )
POSC 03XX	3	Policy Analysis ( <i>new course</i> )

POSC 03XX	3	Introduction to Public Administration ( <i>needs POSC-PADM 0330</i> )
POSC 03XX	3	Statistical Computing ( <i>needs POSC-MATH 0306</i> )
POSC 04XX	3	Public Sector Economics ( <i>needs POSC-PADM 0440</i> )
POSC 0420	3	Policy Implementation and Evaluation
POSC 04XX	3	Topics in Political Science

**Minor in International Relations: 12-15 credits in the following courses**

Course Number	Credits	Course Title
POSC 02XX	3	Introduction To Comparative Politics ( <i>new course</i> )
POSC 02XX	3	International Relations ( <i>changed from POSC 0370 World Affairs</i> )
POSC 03XX	3	American Foreign Policy ( <i>needs POSC-HIST 0318</i> )
POSC 03XX	3	Terrorism and Homeland Security ( <i>needs POSC-CRJ 0361</i> )
POSC 04XX	3	International Political Economy ( <i>new course</i> )
POSC 04XX	3	Studies in Globalization ( <i>new course</i> )
POSC 04XX	3	Politics of Development ( <i>new course</i> )

**Minor in Pre-Law: 12-15 credits in the following courses**

Course Number	Credits	Course Title
PL0XXX	3	Introduction to Law ( <i>new course</i> )
PL0XXX	3	Introduction to Legal Careers ( <i>new course</i> )
PL0XXX	3	Introduction to Legal Research and Writing ( <i>new course</i> )
PL0XXX	3	Introduction to Legal Analysis ( <i>new course</i> )
PL0XXX	3	Introduction to Trial Advocacy ( <i>new course</i> )
PL0XXX	3	Issues in Law ( <i>new course</i> )
PL0XXX	3	Foundations of Law ( <i>new course</i> )

**Graduating with Honors in Political Science**

1. A Political Science thesis is designed for the student to demonstrate a sufficient familiarity and knowledge base of a scientific understanding of politics and policy in a democratic society

2. Students with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 are eligible for departmental honors in Political Science. Qualified students who seek this option must write an honors thesis under the supervision of a Political Science faculty member. The Political Science Internship is designed to assist the student in understanding the praxis of Political Science and Public Policy in society. The Internship requires a minimum of ten clock hours per week [no more than 3 clock hours per day]. Internship sites will include government agencies, social service agencies/organizations. An Internship course is a requirement for the major. The Faculty of the Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences must approve internship assignments.

**Political Science Major**  
(New Courses Underlined)

**A. General Education Requirements (42 Hours)**

**B. Major Requirements for a Degree in Political Science (42 Hours)**

1	<u>POSC 01XX</u>	Introduction to Political Science ( <i>new course-needs POSC #</i> )
2	POSC 0101	American Government Survey ( <i>changed from POSC 200</i> )
3	POSC 0201	Urban Politics ( <i>changed from POSC 0390</i> )
4	POSC 0201	Public Policy ( <i>changed from POSC 0380</i> )
5	<u>POSC 02XX</u>	Introduction to Comparative Politics ( <i>new course-needs POSC #</i> )
6	POSC 0201	International Relations ( <i>changed from POSC 0370 World Affairs</i> )
7	RM 0201	Research Writing ( <i>changed from RM 0300</i> )
8	RM 301	Research Methodology and Statistics
9	RM 302	Research Design and Statistics
10	HIST 0318	American Foreign Policy ( <i>needs POSC #-cross listed</i> )
11	<u>POSC 03XX</u>	Policy Analysis ( <i>new course-needs POSC #</i> )
12	POSC 0420	Policy Implementation and Evaluation
13	<u>POSC 04XX</u>	International Political Economy ( <i>new course-needs POSC #</i> )
14	POSC 04XX	Internship in the area of Political Science for graduating seniors

**C. Electives (18 Hours)**

1	PADM 0330	Introduction to Public Administration ( <i>needs POSC #-cross listed</i> )
2	CRJ 0361	Terrorism and Homeland Security ( <i>needs POSC #-cross listed</i> )
3	POSC 0402	Political Theory
4	<u>POSC 04XX</u>	Studies in Globalization ( <i>new course-needs POSC #</i> )
5	GEOG 0435	Political Geography ( <i>needs POSC #-cross listed</i> )
6	<u>POSC 04XX</u>	Politics of Development ( <i>new course-needs POSC #</i> )
7	<u>POSC 03XX</u>	State and Regional Politics ( <i>new course-needs POSC #</i> )
8	URST 0400	Urban Planning ( <i>needs POSC #-cross listed</i> )
9	PADM 0440	Public Sector Economics ( <i>needs POSC #-cross listed</i> )

**D. Free Electives (18 Hours)**

1	MATH 0306	Statistical Computing ( <i>needs POSC #-cross listed</i> )
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| 2 | <u>GIS 03XX</u> | Geographic Information System( <i>new course-needs POSC #</i> ) |
| 3 | POSC 0323       | The American Presidency   |
| 4 | URST 0490       | Topics in Urban Studies( <i>needs POSC #-cross listed</i> )     |
| 5 | POSC 0490       | Topics in Political Science                                     |
| 6 | PRIS 0490       | Topics in Professional Interdisciplinary Studies                |
- E. PRE-LAW**            **See Pre-law Classes in Course Descriptions**
- F. Capstone (3 Hours)**
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| 1 | POSC 0480 | Capstone Course |
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- G. Honors Thesis (3 Hours)**
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| 1 | <u>POSC 04XX</u> | Honors in Political Science ( <i>new course-needs POSC#</i> )<br><i>Students with a GPA of 3.0 or higher are eligible for departmental honors and choose to write a thesis in their senior year.</i> |
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**PROGRAM CHARACTERISTICS AND PERFORMANCE GOALS**

Institution Name	Harris-Stowe State University
Program Name	Political Science B.S
Date	Spring 2015

**1) Student Preparation**

The Bachelor of Science Degree in Political Science will not have any additional admission procedures or student qualification for this program of study. Currently, degree programs housed in the Department of Urban Specialization, which houses Political Science courses, require that entering students have an ACT/SAT score of record, they must complete all of the entry requirements, General Education Curricula and the required lower division courses prior the enrollment in their second semester junior year.

**2) Faculty Characteristics**

The two full-time Political Science Faculty members have over ten years of experience in teaching Political Science at the university/college level, each. Both Faculty members have earned doctorates in Political Science and Public Policy. The entire adjunct Faculty has met the expectations of "Rule 389", which requires faculty to have credentials in the field in which they are teaching.

A review of the past five academic year load reports indicated that all of the upper division courses in Political Science have been taught by the full-time Political Science faculty; the design of the proposed degree program indicates that the percentage of courses taught by the full time Faculty should not fall below 75%.

**3) Enrollment Projections**

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#### 4) Student and Program Outcomes

It is expected that number of graduates at the fourth year of the program will be 20 students; an increase of 6 to seven students at the fifth year.

Special Skills: The design of the proposed degree program requires the student to develop skills in research methodology and statistics, undergraduate research, evaluation research, and the presentation of research findings.

Licensing or Certification: There are no procedures for licensure or certification in Political Science.

National and Local Assessment: The appropriate score will determine after pilot assessment of the students' academic program against relevant of the examinations' content and structure for assessing that program.

#### 5) Program Accreditation

Harris-Stowe became a member of the Missouri University and Colleges since 1979, every accreditation visit by the North Central Association Commission on Accreditation of College and Universities [now known as the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association Commission on Accreditation of College and Universities] have recommended the various programs at Harris-Stowe State University to receive full accreditation.

#### 6) Alumni and Employer Survey

In coordination with the Office of Career Planning and Placement, Office of Alumni Relations and the Office of Assessment, the Department will survey the Degree Program's alumni and their employers at the first, third and fifth year after graduation; it is projected that the satisfaction rate should not be less 90%.

#### **7) Institutional Characteristics**

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### **COURSE DESCRIPTIONS FOR POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR**

#### **CRJ 0361 TERRORISM AND HOMELAND SECURITY 3**

This course takes a comprehensive look at homeland security and terrorism. It explores the foundation for homeland security, homeland security and terrorism, defeating terrorists and their activities, and Homeland Security's response to terrorist threats.

#### **GEOG 0435 POLITICAL GEOGRAPHY 3**

Political Geography analyzes the ways in which man organizes space for political purpose. Case studies of interactions of geographical areas and political process will be examined.

#### **HIST 0318 AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY 3**

American Foreign Policy provides an in-depth analysis of America's relations with the world community, stressing two especially critical time periods of 1890-1945 and the period from 1945-present will be analyzed, using such topics as imperialism, isolationism, the diplomacy of war and peace, the advent of nuclear weaponry, Third World powers and international terrorism.

#### **MATH 0336 STATISTICAL COMPUTING 3**

*Prerequisite:* Grade of C or better in MATH 0250, MATH 0255 and MATH 0356

Students will be introduced to the varieties of statistical software packages that are currently available in the market. Students will be guided to use some of these software packages and learn how to interpret outputs and draw statistically prudent inferences. Examples of software packages that students will learn to use are SPSS, SAS, R, and Excel.



**GIS 03XX GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS** 3  
Analysis of geospatial data relating to a variety of social phenomena using geographic information systems (GIS) software. Students will learn how geospatial analysis can be integrated into research projects and presentations (e.g., creating maps to present and analyze social, political, and economic data).

**POSC 0200 AMERICAN GOVERNMENT SURVEY** 3  
This course is an introductory explanation of how American government works. It covers the legislative, executive and judicial branches of both national and state government. It also discusses elections, political parties and interest groups. The United States and Missouri Constitutions are included.

**POSC 0201H MISSOURI CONSTITUTION** 1  
This course is designed to familiarize the student with the Constitution of the state of Missouri. The course is intended for students who have not completed the state requirement concerning the Missouri Constitution.

**POSC 0390 URBAN POLITICS** 3  
This course is an analysis and discussion of the urban political structures in the U.S. It emphasizes political processes and policy implementation in a number of contemporary urban issues.

**POSC 0380 PUBLIC POLICY** 3  
This course is an analysis and discussion of urban political resource allocations. The course is concerned with the study of the social, political, and economic factors affecting the development and implementation of public policies. The course is constructed with three focal points or stages of policy creation: pre-policy conditions; policy design; and, policy implementation. Particular attention is given to the policy actors, their interests and values, their actions that affect the course of policy creation. In the pre-policy stage, attention is directed at the analysis of the issues and conditions that establish the need for a public policy, the conflict over access to, or redistribution of, desired resources and the role of various interest groups in defining this scenario. In the policy design stage attention is directed at an identification of the value basis of policy, an assessment of the impact of interest groups and established laws on policy and implementation, a relating of the constraints imposed by tax dollars on policy design and alternatives, and an analysis of the workings of the community power structure as it relates to these issues in the creation of a policy. The implementation stage is concerned with the evaluation of the policy as it is established in the public program constructed to deliver the intentions of the policy.

**POSC 0323 THE AMERICAN PRESIDENCY** 3  
*Prerequisite:* POSC 0200  
This course examines the executive branch of the United States government through a detailed examination of its principal office - that of the President of the United States. Study of the presidency will cover access to the office (elections), its current complex structure and its

principal activities; it will also expand the view of the American presidency by studying the various individuals who have recently held the office.

- POSC 0370 WORLD AFFAIRS (INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS) 3**  
*Prerequisite:* POSC 0200 and HIST 0214  
Students discuss and analyze and contemporary relations and problems among nation-states and the major factors which influence these relations.
- POSC 0402 POLITICAL THEORY 3**  
*Prerequisite:* POSC 0200  
A review of current and recent political ideologies and their historical roots: communism, socialism, democracy, fascism, etc.
- POSC 0490 TOPICS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE 1-3**  
From time to time, other courses are offered on topics of current interest within the field of Political Science. These are in addition to the core of courses identified above; when offered this course will be listed in the University's *Course Schedule*.
- POSC 01XX INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL SCIENCE 3**  
This course provides an overview of the discipline of political science and introduces the student to the major themes and subfields in the scientific study of politics.
- POSC 02XX INTRODUCTION TO COMPARATIVE POLITICS 3**  
This course introduces students to western and non-western systems of governance, political structures and institutions. It also provides frameworks for understanding the cultures of the world that are the basis for formal economic and political institutions as well as the role of informal mechanisms that exist in other parts of the world that societies utilize to structure their polities.
- POSC 03XX STATE AND REGIONAL POLITICS 3**  
This is an examination of contemporary state and regional politics in the United States and it covers the social, economic and political determinants of federal-state and local relations by developing an appreciation of the unique system of American Federalism.
- POSC 03XX POLICY ANALYSIS 3**  
This course is an analytical study of the systematic development of public policy.
- POSC 04XX STUDIES IN GLOBALIZATION 3**  
The course focuses on the relationships between nation-states "nonstate" actors, global institutions and the development of transnational economies within a rapidly integrated globalized world.
- POSC 04XX INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL ECONOMY 3**

This course provides an introduction to international political economy by examining the politics of international trade, finance, and investment. Students will be exposed to the changing dynamics of the global economy and the role of global actors in facilitating the development of institutions that have built the world they will soon face.

**POSC 04XX POLITICS OF DEVELOPMENT 3**

This course introduces students to the changing faces of international development, foreign aid, international assistance programs, poverty alleviation, market driven solutions in a world with enormous variations in resources and opportunities.

**POSC 04XX: HONORS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE 3**

Required for political science majors, and qualify to graduate with honors in their last year of coursework as an integrative, capstone experience. Emphasis is on student-faculty interaction in a seminar format designed to engage upper-level students in a critical examination of a broad theme in political science, leading to the production of a major research paper.

**PRIS 0490 TOPICS IN PROFESSIONAL INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES 1-3**

From time to time, other courses are offered on topics of current interest within the field of Professional Interdisciplinary Studies. These are in addition to the core of courses identified above and when offered will be listed in the University's *Course Schedule*.

**POSC 0480 POLITICAL SCIENCE INTERNSHIP 3**

The Political Science Internship which is required and designed to assist the student in understanding the praxis of Political Science and Public Policy in society.

**POSC 0485 POLITICAL SCIENCE SENIOR THESIS 3**

*Prerequisite: last TWO semester of the student's senior year.*

One of the primary purposes of offering a senior synthesis course is for the student to demonstrate a sufficient familiarity and knowledge base of those historical, philosophical, social, political and legal theories, concepts, practices and events which affect the political system, its agencies and components in a democratic, pluralistic society. Students with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 are eligible for departmental honors in Political Science. Qualified students who seek this option must write an honors thesis under the supervision of a Political Science faculty member.

**PADM 0330 INTRODUCTION TO PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION 3**

*Prerequisite: POSC 0200*

This course is an analytical overview of the public and nonprofit sectors. It examines decision-making, including organizations, positions, personalities, interests and values. It will also look at ethical questions.

**PADM 0420 POLICY IMPLEMENTATION AND EVALUATION 3**

*Prerequisite: PADM 0330, RM 0301, POSC 0380*

This course focuses on the interaction among program and policy decisions, program delivery and program evaluation. The course will emphasize conceptualization and procedures for political feasibility analysis and program output, outcome and impact assessments.

**PADM 0440 ECONOMICS OF THE PUBLIC SECTOR**

**3**

*Prerequisite:* ECON 0203, PADM 0330

This course investigates the role of government in the U.S. economy as well as a study of the process by which our government conducts its own financial business from taxing to budgeting to spending. It also assesses the impact of the relationship between public and private financial decisions.

**PADM 0490 TOPICS IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION**

**1-3**

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**RM 0300 RESEARCH WRITING**

**3**

The main objectives of this course is to inform the students of the common steps and formats in writing a university level research paper such as writing and submitting proposals, writing literature reviews, following general research paper formats, and using an annotated bibliography and to introduce students to various research skills. A more specific goal of this course is to require students to discover the various acceptable research-writing guidelines of their own departments or professors.

This course will include various library research skills and also introduces students to on-line computer sources. Much of the course work will be focused on researching various library and on-line resources. Students of this course should expect much of the assignments to require trips to the College Library and/or to a computer lab. Since this course covers multiple-source research paper writing, the content and skills covered are assumed to have a more immediate relevancy to graduate students and upper-level university students. There will be no original empirical research required from the students for this course. The projected activities of the course include library research, on-line research, and research component writing practice.

Though this course focuses on writing and there will be a number of written in-class and out-of-class assignments, there will be no explicit grammatical structures covered in this class. Rather, this course focuses on the variety of language structures, which are used to follow the rhetorical structure of writing up research.

**RM 0301 RESEARCH METHODOLOGY AND STATISTICS**

**3**

*Prerequisite: either completion or concurrent enrollment in RM 0300*

This course has two focus points: research methodology and research statistics. The research methods purpose of this course is to introduce the student to elements of research methodology as it is applied to various social issues. The class will examine the concepts, theories, methods, and investigative techniques of the social researcher; such examination shall include; the relationship between theory and research, the nature of causation, the general nature of research design, the issues of measurement, conceptualization, the various research techniques/methods, the use the modeling in research, and the social context of research. The second purpose of this course is to introduce the student to elements of qualitative research methodology as it is applied to various types of data. The course will examine the statistical concepts, theories, methods, and

statistical techniques of the social science researcher; such examination shall include: descriptive statistics, measures of central tendency, the normal distribution, measures of association between variables, and nonparametric statistics, and the use of comers in research statistics. The course objective concerning the statistical component is the introduction of the student to the selection of the appropriate static for the data analysis, the computation of the statistic, and the interpretation to the statistical test.

**RM 0302 RESEARCH DESIGN AND STATISTICS**

**3**

***Prerequisite: RM 0301***

The purpose of this course is the application of the elements of research methodology and statistical analysis as applied to social and behavioral sciences. The course will develop the student's understanding of the research and statistical techniques towards judging the legitimacy of a researcher's claims based upon the statistical analysis and research results reported. In the research design section of this course, the student will examine the concepts of modeling. In the statistical section of this course, the student will examine the statistical concepts, theories, methods, and statistical techniques of the social science researcher; such examination shall include; bivariate and multivariate descriptive statistics; inferential statistics, and non-parametric statistics; and, the application of micro-computer software in research statistics. The course objective is to induce the student to the selection, the computation, and the interpretation of the appropriate statistical test for the data analysis. Focus will be given to the application of statistical tests and what these given techniques accomplish statistically, the conclusions, which can be reached using such techniques, and how the results are reported. The student will develop a research project based on the investigative techniques, concepts, theories, statistics, and methods of the social researcher; such project shall include; the relationship between theory and research, the nature of causation, the application of research design, the issue of measurement, conceptualization, the various research methods, the use of modeling in research, the application of social statistics in the analysis of data, the use of the microcomputer in research, and the social-political context of research.

**SOC 0411 HISTORY OF SOCIAL THOUGHT**

**3**

This course is concerned with the development of sociological perspectives and the theories, concepts, and ideas within sociological thought, which have contributed to its present state of sociology. The course will focus on the evolution of social thought from a state of social philosophy to the current definitions of form and content of sociology as a distinct analytic discipline.

**URST 0400 URBAN PLANNING**

**3**

This course is concerned with the process of determining the physical arrangement and condition of the urban community land use, rehabilitation of physical facilities within the city, and future trends in urban planning. Topics include defensible space, social traffic patterns, urban transportation systems, housing, urban sprawl, blighting, environmental planning, the urban public infrastructure, and the application of technology planning with urban design and planning.

**URST 0490 TOPICS IN URBAN STUDIES**

**1-3**

From time to time, special topics dealing with urban issues or events will be offered.

<b>PL 0XXX</b>	<b>INTRODUCTION TO LAW</b>	<b>3</b>
This course introduces students to the law and legal principles, the structure of the court system and the various components of substantive law.		
<b>PL 0XXX</b>	<b>INTRODUCTION TO LEGAL CAREERS</b>	<b>3</b>
Students will explore the various areas of the legal profession and the specialized nature of the work that lawyers engage in, who their clients are and the different types of caseload they handle.		
<b>PL 0XXX</b>	<b>INTRODUCTION TO LEGAL RESEARCH &amp; WRITING</b>	<b>3</b>
What are the specific components of legal research and the skills necessary to successfully engage in legal research?		
<b>PL 0XXX</b>	<b>INTRODUCTION TO LEGAL ANALYSIS</b>	<b>3</b>
Students learn how to prepare a brief and engage in statutory and regulatory analysis.		
<b>PL 0XXX</b>	<b>INTRODUCTION TO TRIAL ADVOCACY</b>	<b>3</b>
This class teaches students how to prepare a legal case for a jury trial. This class focuses on advocacy techniques and the applications of those techniques in a court setting.		
<b>PL0XXX</b>	<b>ISSUES IN LAW</b>	<b>3</b>
From time to time various issues in law will emerge such as multicultural issues.		
<b>PL0XXX</b>	<b>FOUNDATIONS OF LAW</b>	<b>3</b>
This course is an exploration on the nature and foundation of law in western democratic societies as it relates to order, justice, freedom and fairness with readings and analysis of how law functions in America today.		

#### **GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS**

<b>ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATION</b>	<b>9</b>
English Composition I	
Introduction to Public Speaking <i>and</i> any freshman or sophomore level, three hour writing course	
<b>COMPUTING AND TECHNOLOGY</b>	<b>3</b>
Any freshman or sophomore level, three hour course in computer science or computer education	
<b>SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES</b>	<b>9</b>
Any freshman or sophomore level, three hour course in political science <i>and</i> any freshman or sophomore level, three hour general survey course in American history <i>and</i> any freshman or sophomore level, three hour course from one of the following academic disciplines: Economics, Geography, Psychology, Sociology	
<b>MATHEMATICS/NATURAL AND PHYSICAL SCIENCE</b>	<b>12</b>