

## POLITICAL SCIENCE LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO



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### WHY STUDY POLITICAL SCIENCE AT LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO?

Our faculty teach courses on American institutions and constitutional law, the comparative politics of Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America, and the Middle East, foreign policy and international relations, and political theory, past and present. The department seeks to provide students with an understanding of political processes at home and abroad; to prepare majors and minors for purposeful careers or for further graduate or professional study; and to challenge students to think critically about problems of justice in political life.

We are very proud of our academic programs that prepare Political Science students to "lead extraordinary lives" in the best traditions of Jesuit education. The department offers an undergraduate major and minor in Political Science, dual degree BA/MA and JD/MA programs, and the MA and PhD in Political Science. Our department also coordinates interdisciplinary MA and BA/MA programs in International Affairs.

A degree in Political Science is excellent preparation for careers in politics, law, government agencies at the city, state and federal levels, international organizations,

nonprofit groups, policy think-tanks, media organizations, consulting firms, education, social services, private business, and other professions. Our graduates also attend renowned professional schools and institutions of higher learning, both in the U.S. and abroad.

Our faculty teach undergraduate and graduate courses and engage in scholarly research. Several have practical experience in the legal profession, the military, local politics, and the Foreign Service. They are internationally engaged in countries throughout Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America, and the Middle East, and have received prestigious grants to fund their research, including major grants from the Guggenheim Foundation, the National Science Foundation, and the State Department.

We offer many opportunities outside the classroom. Our internship program places students in host offices in Chicago. Students can also spend a semester interning at our center in Washington, DC as well as take part in our Model United Nations, Model European Union, Mock Trial, and Moot Court programs. We have three endowed lecture series (Covey, Hartigan and Leibman) that bring prominent scholars and political figures to Loyola to share their ideas and to meet with students.

In short, if you wish to study politics at one of the country's leading Jesuit universities in one of the greatest cities in the world, Loyola University Chicago is for you!

### POLITICAL SCIENCE FACULTY

#### Full-Time Faculty

**Chairperson: Alexandru Grigorescu, PhD**, University of Pittsburgh

**Olga A. Avdeyeva, PhD**, Purdue University

**Twyla Blackmond Larnell, PhD**, Michigan State

**Yuna Blajer de la Garza, PhD**, University of Chicago

**Patrick Boyle, PhD**, Princeton University

**Amanda Bryan, PhD**, University of Minnesota

**Meghan Condon, PhD**, University of Wisconsin, Madison

**Susan Dimock, PhD**, University of California, San Diego

**David Doherty, PhD**, University of Colorado

**Brian Endless, PhD**, Loyola University Chicago

**Jennifer Forestal, PhD**, Northwestern University

**Eric Hansen, PhD**, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

**Chris Hasselmann, PhD**, Washington University, St. Louis

**Jay C. Kao, PhD**, University of Texas at Austin

**Tofigh Maboudi, PhD**, American University

**Sarah Maxey, PhD**, Cornell University

**Robert Mayer, PhD**, Princeton University

**Molly Melin, PhD**, University of California-Davis

**Kara Ross Camarena**, Harvard University

**Peter J. Schraeder, PhD**, University of South Carolina, Columbia

**Annette Steinacker, PhD**, University of Rochester

**Affiliated Faculty (Political Science faculty affiliated with other programs at Loyola University Chicago)**

**Jennifer Boyle, PhD**, Loyola University Chicago  
(Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, Arrupe College)  
**Lavar Pope, PhD**, University California, Santa Cruz  
(Arrupe College)  
**Megan Sholar, PhD**, Loyola University Chicago (Honors Program)  
**Christopher Whidden, PhD**, Northern Illinois University  
(Honors Program)

**Adjunct Faculty**

**Michael Walsh, JD**, Ohio State University



**Professor Emeritus**

**John Danford, PhD**, Yale University  
**Alan R. Gitelson, PhD**, Syracuse University  
**John P. Frendreis, PhD**, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee  
**Claudio Katz, PhD**, York University, Toronto  
**Vincent A. Mahler, PhD**, Columbia University  
**Susan Mezey, PhD & JD**, Syracuse & DePaul  
**John P. Pelissero, PhD**, University of Oklahoma  
**Peter Sanchez, PhD**, University of Texas-Austin  
**Raymond Tatalovich, PhD**, University of Chicago  
**John A. Williams, PhD**, University of Pennsylvania

**Part-Time Faculty**

**Martin Claar, PhD**, Northern Illinois University  
**Annie Greene, PhD**, University of Chicago  
**Joe Losco, PhD**, Temple University  
**Babacar Mbengue, PhD**, Cheikh Anta Diop (Senegal)  
**Luigi Sensi, PhD**, Rutgers & JD, Harvard  
**Tim Reynolds, JD**, University of Notre Dame

**ACADEMIC DEGREE REQUIREMENTS**

**Major in Political Science**

To graduate with a major in Political Science, students must complete 33 hours of course work (11 courses) in the department or through transfer or advanced placement credit. All majors are required to take any three of the following four courses: PLSC 100, 101, 102, and 103 plus one upper-division (200- or 300-level) course from each of the discipline's four subfields: American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations and Political Theory.

Please note that this requirement is being introduced for students who declare their majors after June 30, 2021. All students who declared their major prior to July 1, 2021, are subject to the previous requirements: they are required to take all three of the following courses: PLSC 100, 101, and 102 plus one upper-division (200- or 300-level) course from each of the discipline's four subfields: American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations and Political Theory.

**Undergraduate Minor in Political Science**

To graduate with a minor in Political Science, students must complete 18 hours of course work (6 courses) in the department or through transfer or advanced placement credit. All minors are required to complete any two of the four introductory courses: PLSC 100, PLSC 101, PLSC 102 and PLSC 103. They must also complete four additional courses of their choosing, either introductory or upper-level classes, regardless of the subfield.

Please note that this requirement is being introduced for students who declare their minors after June 30, 2021. All students who declared their minor prior to July 1, 2021, are subject to the previous requirements: they are required to take all three of the following courses: PLSC 100, 101 and 102. The remaining three courses are elective and may be taken in any of the discipline's four subfields: American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Politics and Political Theory.



## Dual BA/MA Program in Political Science

Undergraduate majors may earn both a BA and an MA degree in Political Science in a shorter period of time than if pursuing each degree separately (the joint program typically takes a total of 5 years to complete). Junior political science majors with an overall GPA and in all Political Science classes of at least 3.60 are eligible to apply. Students submit transcripts, three letters of recommendation and a statement of purpose, but do not take the GRE. Students admitted to the program may apply up to 9 hours of credit earned toward the BA to satisfy the 30 hours required for the MA degree. The 9 hours must include at least 6 hours of 400- or 500-level courses and up to 3 hours of 300-level courses. Undergraduate students are not permitted to take two graduate courses in one semester. For more information, contact Professor Molly Melin ([mmelin@luc.edu](mailto:mmelin@luc.edu)), Graduate Program Director for the Department of Political Science.

## UNDERGRADUATE COURSE OFFERINGS

### Introductory Courses

- 100** Political Theory (also satisfies the Tier 2 Philosophical Knowledge requirement of the Core Curriculum)
- 101** American Politics (also satisfies the Tier 2 Societal Knowledge requirement of the Core Curriculum)
- 102** International Relations in an Age of Globalization (also satisfies the Tier 1 Foundational Societal Knowledge requirement of the Core Curriculum)



### Special Experiential Learning Courses

- 202** Mock Trial: Counts as either an elective or as the upper division American Politics requirement for the Political Science major. Also satisfies the Engaged Learning (Public Performance) requirement of the core curriculum.
- 203** Moot Court: Counts as either an elective or as the upper division American Politics requirement for the Political Science major. Also satisfies the

- Engaged Learning (Public Performance) requirement of the core curriculum.
- 367** Model United Nations: Counts as either an elective or the upper division International Relations requirement for the Political Science major.
- 370-1 E** Chicago Internship (3-6 credit hours)
- 370-2 E** Washington DC Internship Practicum (6 credit hours) (only at our Washington DC Center)
- 398** Washington DC Internship Seminar (3 credit hours) (only at our Washington DC Center)

### American Politics and Policy

- 218** African American Politics
- 236** Political Communication (only at our Washington DC center)
- 237** Public Policy and Information Technology (only at our Washington DC center)
- 238** Political Advocacy (only at our Washington, DC center)
- 251** Women in American Politics
- 300A** Contemporary Political Issues in America
- 318** Politics and the Economy
- 320** Constitutional Law: Due Process
- 321** Constitutional Law: Powers of Government
- 322** Constitutional Law: Rights and Liberties
- 326** American National Security
- 327** Political Psychology
- 329** Interest Group Politics
- 334** Urban Policies and Problems
- 376** Political Behavior and Public Opinion
- 379** The Legislative Process
- 380** Public Policy Analysis
- 381** The American Presidency
- 384** The Judicial Process
- 385** Introduction to Law
- 386** Campaigns and Elections
- 387** Politics and the Press
- 389** State Politics
- 390** Urban Politics
- 391** Chicago Politics
- 392** Environmental Politics



## Comparative Politics

- 232 Politics of the United Kingdom
- 300C Contemporary Political Issues in Comparative Politics
- 324 Civil-Military Relations
- 337 Terrorism
- 339 Political Ideologies
- 341 Comparative Politics
- 342 African Politics
- 343 Latin American Politics
- 345 South and Southeast Asian Politics
- 346 East Asian Politics
- 347 The European Union
- 348 Russian Politics
- 349 Eastern European Politics
- 352 Canadian Politics
- 355C Women and Politics: Cross-National Perspective
- 359 Revolutions
- 360 Western European Politics
- 362 Politics of Developing Societies
- 365 Italian Politics and Government
- 366 Dictatorship
- 368 Middle East Politics
- 369 Religion and Politics
- 374 Democracy
- 375C Catholicism, Islam, and Democracy
- 394 Comparative Family Policy

## International Relations

- 252 Capitalism and its Discontents
- 300D Contemporary Political Issues in International Relations
- 316 Politics of Genocide
- 317 Politics of International Health
- 325 American Foreign Policy
- 330 America and Modern War
- 331 Military and Society in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century
- 340 International Relations of Africa
- 350 Politics of International Economic Relations
- 351 Latin America in the International System
- 353 International Law
- 354 Global Environmental Politics
- 356 Intervention in World Politics
- 358 War, Peace, and Politics
- 358D Scientific Study of War
- 364 United Nations and International Organizations



## Political Theory

- 300B Contemporary Political Issues in Political Theory
- 301 Political Justice
- 302 American Political Thought
- 303 Conservatism
- 304 Ancient Political Thought
- 306 Modern Political Thought
- 307 Democratic Theory
- 308 Contemporary Political Thought
- 309 Socialism
- 310B Catholic Political Thought
- 312 Feminist Theory
- 313 Resistance and Obligation
- 314 Liberalism
- 373 Politics in Literature

## Methods Courses

- 315 Political Numbers (also satisfies the Quantitative Knowledge requirement of the Core Curriculum for Political Science majors)

## Courses Not Specified by Area

- 370 Political Science Internship: Fieldwork in Political Science (Chicago and Washington DC)
- 395 Political Science Honors Seminar (successful completion enables the student to graduate with Honors in Political Science; does not count toward the 33 hours required for a Political Science major)
- 396 Directed Readings
- 398 Washington, DC Internship Seminar (only at Washington, DC Center)



## SPECIAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

### **Loyola Semester in Washington, DC Program (Fall and Spring Semesters, in Washington, DC)**

Do you wish to spend an entire semester living, studying, and interning in Washington, DC with Loyola faculty at a Loyola DC Center? If your answer is “yes,” consider taking part in our Washington, DC Program, which is a joint collaboration between the Department of Political Science and the School of Communication. This program, which is offered during the fall and spring semesters, enables the motivated student to (1) gain valuable professional experience and earn course credit while serving four days a week as a student intern in a host office in Washington, DC; (2) enroll as a full-time student for 15 credit hours in classes taught by Loyola faculty; and (3) experience life for a semester in the unique setting that is our nation’s capital: Washington, DC. A total of 42 students participated in 2018-19. For additional information, visit our website at <http://www.luc.edu/politicalscience/dc/> or email Professor Susan Dimock, our Resident Director in Washington DC, at [sdimock@luc.edu](mailto:sdimock@luc.edu)

### **Political Science Honors Seminar PLSC 395 (Spring Semester)**

Do you wish to graduate with “honors” in Political Science? If your answer is “yes,” you should apply for enrollment in the Political Science Honors Seminar which is offered each spring and open to students in their junior or senior years. Admission into the Honors Seminar requires a 3.5 GPA in Political Science (and overall) as well as the completion of seven Political Science classes (21 credit hours) by the time of the course. The Honors Seminar does not count toward the 33 credit hours required for a Political Science major. Students interested in applying should contact Nora Rybarczyk at [nenglun@luc.edu](mailto:nenglun@luc.edu)



### **Chicago Internship PLSC 370 (Spring, Summer & Fall Semesters) Professor Meghan Condon**

This program allows students to earn course credit while gaining valuable professional experience as an intern in the Chicago area. Internship possibilities include positions with U.S. Congresspersons and Senators, Illinois Legislators, political campaigns, international organizations, policy think-tanks, and city, state, and federal government agencies. Interns earn 3 or 6 credit hours by working in an internship position that is jointly agreed upon by the student and the internship coordinator. The intern also takes part in a special seminar that meets periodically during the semester and keeps a journal and writes a research paper related to the internship experience. Students need the permission of the internship coordinator to register and must submit an application form. Contact Professor Condon at [mcondon@luc.edu](mailto:mcondon@luc.edu)

### **Model European Union (Spring Semester) Professor Olga Avdeyeva**

This is a new initiative offered by the Department of Political Science. It is coordinated by Political Science Professor Olga Avdeyeva, who also serves as the director of the interdisciplinary European Studies Program. Offered every spring semester, students selected to participate in the Model European Union travel together to participate in a regional competition held in the Midwest. Due to the limited number of positions that are allotted to each university taking part in the competition, participation involves a selection process based on GPA, seniority, and prior coursework and activities in European Studies and international organizations, such as Loyola’s Model European Union Club. The application process begins in late September. This activity is partially funded through the Morris I. Leibman Endowment Fund. For further information about Model European Union, contact Professor Avdeyeva at [oavdeyeva@luc.edu](mailto:oavdeyeva@luc.edu)

**Mock Trial PLSC 202 (Spring Semester) Michael Walsh, JD & Head Coach**

Led by Political Scientist and Head Coach Michael Walsh, JD, Loyola Mock Trial involves traveling across the country and competing against other top colleges and universities. The Mock Trial team holds tryouts for new members during the second week of classes in the fall semester in order to prepare for the fall invitational tournament season that begins in mid-October. This activity is partially funded through the Morris I. Leibman Endowment Fund. For further information about Mock Trial, visit <http://www.loyolamocktrial.com/>, or contact Coach Walsh directly at [mwalsh2@luc.edu](mailto:mwalsh2@luc.edu)

**Moot Court PLSC 203 (Fall Semester) Michael Walsh, JD & Head Coach**

Led by Political Scientist and Head Coach Michael Walsh, JD, Loyola Moot Court involves traveling across the country and competing against other top colleges and universities in regional and national competitions. The Moot Court team advertises for new members in the spring semester, to prepare for the writing competition and tournament season that take place in the fall semester. This activity is partially funded through the Morris I. Leibman Endowment Fund. For further information about Moot Court, visit <http://www.loyolamocktrial.com>, or contact Coach Walsh directly at [mwalsh2@luc.edu](mailto:mwalsh2@luc.edu)

**Model United Nations PLSC 367 (Spring Semester) Professors Brian Endless**

Offered every spring semester, the Model United Nations (UN) course prepares students for their involvement as distinguished diplomats at the National Model UN conference in New York, the largest Model UN conference in the world that brings together 3,000-4,000 students from more than 25 countries. Due to the limited number of positions that are allotted to each university taking part in the New York conference, participation in the course involves a selection process based on GPA, seniority, and prior coursework and activities in international politics and international organizations, such as Loyola's Model UN Club. The application process begins in late September and ends in late October. This activity is partially funded through the Morris I. Leibman Endowment Fund. For further information about Model United Nations, contact either Professor Endless at [bendles@luc.edu](mailto:bendles@luc.edu)

**Pi Sigma Alpha (Political Science Honors Society) (Entire Academic Year) Professor Eric Hansen**

The Political Science department at Loyola University Chicago is home to the Zeta Mu Chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha, the national Political Science Honors Society that was originally founded in 1920. Our Zeta Mu Chapter is run by undergraduate student officers who are Political Science majors. Among a variety of activities, they help coordinate the spring Political Science Honors Ceremony, at which students are inducted in Pi Sigma Alpha. Students

must achieve a level of academic excellence set by Pi Sigma Alpha National. For information, contact the Zeta Mu Chapter's faculty moderator, Professor Eric Hansen at [ehansen@luc.edu](mailto:ehansen@luc.edu)



**Endowed Lecture Series (Fall and Spring Semesters) Professor Alexandru V. Grigorescu**

Undergraduate Political Science majors and minors are invited to participate in our three annual endowed lectures, which are presented by noteworthy scholars within the field. These lectures are as follows: (1) Fall Hartigan Lecture, (2) Spring Leibman Lecture, funded by the Morris I. Leibman Endowment Fund, and (3) Spring Covey Lecture, funded by the Covey Endowment Fund. For further information about these lectures, contact Professor Alexandru V. Grigorescu at [agrigror@luc.edu](mailto:agrigror@luc.edu)

**Spring Political Science Honors Ceremony (Spring Semester) Professor Alexandru V. Grigorescu**

Every spring semester the department of Political Science holds an Honors Ceremony at which we recognize the academic accomplishments of our Political Science majors. Family and friends are invited to attend. Among the awards presented include (1) the Nick and Loretta Feller Endowed Scholarship, endowed by the Feller family, for the graduating senior in Political Science with the highest overall GPA; (2) the Woefl, Hartnett and Sarkesian Awards for graduating seniors who have excelled in the discipline of Political Science; (3) "Honors in Political

Science” for graduating seniors who successfully complete the senior honors seminar (see above); and (4) inductees into the Zeta Mu Chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha, the Political Science National Honors Society. For more information about the Spring Political Science Honors Ceremony, contact Professor Alexandru V. Grigorescu at [agrigor@luc.edu](mailto:agrigor@luc.edu)

**Faculty-Led Study Abroad Programs (January or Summer Terms) Nora Rybarczyk**

Political Science faculty periodically lead short-term overseas study programs lasting 2-3 weeks, either during the January term (J-term) or early summer session. Past programs include Colombia led by Professor Molly Melin, Cuba led by Professor Peter Sanchez, and Tunisia led by Professor Peter J. Schraeder. New programs include Central Europe led by Professor Olga Avdeyeva and Northern Ireland led by Professor Molly Melin. For further information, contact Nora Rybarczyk at [nenglun@luc.edu](mailto:nenglun@luc.edu)

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