

POLICY STUDIES PROGRAM (PST)

PST 100 Selected Topics (1-6 Credits)

Maxwell

Exploration of a topic (to be determined) not covered by the standard curriculum but of interest to faculty and students in a particular semester. Repeatable

PST 101 An Introduction to the Analysis of Public Policy (3 Credits)

Maxwell

Develop research and problem solving skills to create government policies that address current social and economic problems facing the United States. Students study policy problems of their choice. Shared Competencies: Critical and Creative Thinking (<https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/shared-competencies/critical-and-creative-thinking/>); Information Literacy and Technological Agility (<https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/shared-competencies/information-literacy-and-technological-agility/>)

PST 105 Strategies for Career Success (1 Credit)

Maxwell

Students will begin to implement strategies to prepare for a viable career path after they graduate from the College of Arts and Sciences and the Maxwell School.

PST 110 Public Service Practicum (1 Credit)

Maxwell

Students investigate the societal issues affecting members of the Syracuse community by completing a 35 hour community service requirement, attending 5 class meetings to reflect on their experiences, and completing weekly journals and two paper assignments. Repeatable

PST 121 Leadership Practicum (1 Credit)

Maxwell

A six-week practical leadership development class that explores current leadership models.

PST 180 International Course (1-12 Credits)

Maxwell

Offered through SUAbroad by educational institution outside the United States. Student registers for the course at the foreign institution and is graded according to that institution's practice. SUAbroad works with the S.U. academic department to assign the appropriate course level, title, and grade for the student's transcript. Repeatable

PST 200 Selected Topics (1-6 Credits)

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Exploration of a topic (to be determined) not covered by the standard curriculum but of interest to faculty and students in a particular semester. Repeatable

PST 270 Experience Credit (1-6 Credits)

Maxwell

Participation in a discipline or subject related experience. Student must be evaluated by written or oral reports or an examination. Permission in advance with the consent of the department chairperson, instructor, and dean. Limited to those in good academic standing. Repeatable

PST 280 International Course (1-12 Credits)

Maxwell

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PST 290 Independent Study (1-6 Credits)

Maxwell

Exploration of a problem, or problems, in depth. Individual independent study upon a plan submitted by the student. Admission by consent of supervising instructor(s) and the department. Repeatable

PST 300 Selected Topics (1-6 Credits)

Maxwell

Exploration of a topic (to be determined) not covered by the standard curriculum but of interest to faculty and students in a particular semester. Repeatable

PST 315 Methods of Public Policy Analysis and Presentation (3 Credits)

Maxwell

Opportunity to develop competencies in the application of social science methods to public policy problems.

Prereq: PST 101 and (MAX 201 or PAI 320)

Shared Competencies: Information Literacy and Technological Agility (<https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/shared-competencies/information-literacy-and-technological-agility/>)

PST 351 Global Social Problems (3 Credits)

Maxwell

Topics include war, inequality, population, scarcity, environment, and technology.

PST 365 Housing Policy (3 Credits)

Maxwell

This course introduces housing policy at the federal, state and local level by looking at efforts in Syracuse to provide homeownership to the working poor and to improve the City's housing stock.

Prereq: PST 101

PST 367 Smart Cities and Urban Policy (3 Credits)

Maxwell

The intersection between urban planning and technological innovation. Topics include autonomous vehicles, cloud computing, public finance, and more.

PST 380 International Course (1-12 Credits)

Maxwell

Offered through SUAbroad by educational institution outside the United States. Student registers for the course at the foreign institution and is graded according to that institution's practice. SUAbroad works with the S.U. academic department to assign the appropriate course level, title, and grade for the student's transcript. Repeatable 2 times for 12 credits maximum

PST 390 Independent Study (1-6 Credits)

Maxwell

Exploration of a problem, or problems, in depth. Individual independent study upon a plan submitted by the student. Admission by consent of supervising instructor(s) and the department. Repeatable

PST 400 Selected Topics (1-6 Credits)*Maxwell*

Exploration of a topic (to be determined) not covered by the standard curriculum but of interest to faculty and students in a particular semester. Repeatable

PST 409 Intermediate Analysis of Public Policy (3 Credits)*Maxwell*

Current public policy problems (e.g., energy, health care, transportation, the Equal Rights Amendment, the draft) using a variety of research techniques.

Prereq: PST 101 with minimum grade A

Shared Competencies: Civic and Global Responsibility (<https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/shared-competencies/civic-and-global-responsibility/>); Communication Skills (<https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/shared-competencies/communication-skills/>)

PST 410 Practicum in Public Policy (3 Credits)*Maxwell*

Students develop skills and gain knowledge about organizations that influence and implement public policy. Students are placed in community agencies for about 100 hours of work or work in applied research projects conducted by faculty.

Repeatable

Prereq: PST 110 and PST 315

Shared Competencies: Critical and Creative Thinking (<https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/shared-competencies/critical-and-creative-thinking/>); Communication Skills (<https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/shared-competencies/communication-skills/>)

PST 416 Community Problem Solving (3 Credits)*Maxwell*

Historical problems of Syracuse. Volunteerism, community organization, and local socioeconomic conditions. Student teams work with youths from Syracuse community centers to solve local problems.

Prereq: PST 101

Shared Competencies: Communication Skills (<https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/shared-competencies/communication-skills/>); Ethics and Integrity (<https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/shared-competencies/ethics-and-integrity/>)

PST 420 Interpersonal Conflict Resolution Skills (3 Credits)*Maxwell*

Double-numbered with SOS 620

Enhanced communication skills to interact more effectively and solve problems creatively. Emphasizing reflective listening, problem solving, assertion, and managing conflicts among needs and values. Presenting theories demonstrating skill, practice, and critique. Additional work required of graduate students.

Repeatable

PST 421 Mediation: Theory and Practice (3 Credits)*Maxwell*

Double-numbered with SOS 621

Mediation skills to facilitate the resolution of disputes and differences. Techniques of third party intervention with individuals and groups. Learning approach includes lectures, simulations, modeling and practice mediations. Additional work required of graduate students.

PST 423 Leadership: Theory and Practice (3 Credits)*Maxwell*

Double-numbered with SOS 623

Leadership skills to exercise responsible leadership and effective group membership in various contexts. Focus on individual leadership style and growth. Development of skills for a collaborative model of leadership. Additional work required of graduate students.

PST 424 Conflict Resolution in Groups (3 Credits)*Maxwell*

Double-numbered with SOS 624

Skills to enhance understanding of conflict and conflict resolution and manage conflict in intragroup and intergroup settings. Unstructured small group experience to learn how groups function and to present a context for practice.

PST 431 Criminal Justice System (3 Credits)*Maxwell*

Seminar exploring the structure and function of the criminal justice system, as well as current issues, through readings, case analysis, court observation, and guest speakers.

Prereq: PST 101

Shared Competencies: Critical and Creative Thinking (<https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/shared-competencies/critical-and-creative-thinking/>); Civic and Global Responsibility (<https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/shared-competencies/civic-and-global-responsibility/>)

PST 451 Environmental Policy (3 Credits)*Maxwell*

Study of interaction among government, environmental lobbyists, industry, scientists, and news media in formation of environmental policies.

PST 452 Introduction to Intelligence Analysis (3 Credits)*Maxwell*

This course examines how intelligence officers exploit open-source information and apply Structured Analytic Techniques to assess national security and foreign policy risks and trends. The course will use case studies and hands-on exercises to demonstrate how these techniques are used to understand current intelligence issues and priorities.

PST 470 Experience Credit (1-6 Credits)*Maxwell*

Participation in a discipline- or subject-related experience. Students must be evaluated by written or oral reports or an examination. Limited to those in good academic standing.

Repeatable

PST 480 International Course (1-12 Credits)*Maxwell*

Offered through SUAbroad by educational institution outside the United States. Student registers for the course at the foreign institution and is graded according to that institution's practice. SUAbroad works with the S.U. academic department to assign the appropriate course level, title, and grade for the student's transcript.

Repeatable 2 times for 12 credits maximum

PST 490 Independent Study (1-6 Credits)*Maxwell*

In-depth exploration of a problem or problems. Individual independent study upon a plan submitted by the student. Admission by consent of supervising instructor or instructors and the department.

Repeatable

PST 499 Honors Capstone Project (1-3 Credits)

Maxwell

Completion of an Honors Capstone Project under the supervision of a faculty member.

Repeatable 3 times for 3 credits maximum