

**Political Science Undergraduate Program  
Winter Session 2021 Course Descriptions**

<u>CRN</u>	<u>Course ID</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Instructor</u>	<u>Meeting Time(s)</u>
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as of 12/16/2020

<b>33073</b>	<b>30162 01</b>	<b>Conservatism after Trump</b>	<b>Vincent Phillip Muñoz</b>	<b>TR 12:30pm - 1:45 pm</b>
<p>The Presidency of Donald Trump has upended not only American politics, but also American conservatism. This 1-credit participatory seminar will examine the future of conservatism in America through the study of contemporary conservative political thinkers and their critics.</p>				
<b>32636</b>	<b>30166 01</b>	<b>Hate Speech: Threats to States, Societies, and Peoples</b>	<b>Emma Rosenberg</b>	<b>TR 11:00am - 1:00 pm</b>
<p>The weaponization of speech is constantly in the news. Today incendiary speech has unprecedented political repercussions. In this course, we will engage in deep readings of primarily political 20th and 21st century texts that have been accused of sowing hate. This 1 credit course aims to provide students a safe analytical space to have deep encounters with texts that the general reader is discouraged from reading. While this course is not an exhaustive overview of all hate speech, it will offer students the opportunity to engage with primary sources seldom found in the classroom across the political spectrum. Together, we will explore what makes these texts dangerous, identify commonalities, and pull out the "pedestrian" aspect of many of them. The arc of the course will focus on developing a framework for analysis and coming to terms with the question: Is some speech simply too dangerous to permit? This course counts as 1 general elective credit and does not count toward the political science major or for a University or College core requirement.</p>				
<b>32782</b>	<b>34530 01</b>	<b>Who is the more powerful: The US president or the UK prime minister?</b>	<b>Richard Heffernan, Gemma Bencini, Kendal Jones and Alice Tyrell</b>	<b>M R 12:00pm - 2:00pm</b>
<p>This course provides students with an insight into the study of contemporary political leadership using comparative politics tools to contrast the US president with the UK prime minister. It will explore the impacts of the varied environments within which presidents and prime ministers operate, namely political systems and structures, historical processes, and party and electoral contexts. And it will examine the ways in which the interplay of events, political ideas, public and electoral opinion, interest group activity, forms of political communications, and the mainstream news media help enable or else constrain political leaders.</p>				
<b>32781</b>	<b>34533 01</b>	<b>Nationalism in the Celtic UK</b>	<b>Julianna Fuzesi, Gemma Bencini, Kendal Jones and Alice Tyrell</b>	<b>M W 8:45am - 9:45am</b>
<p>Today's United Kingdom (U.K.) looks like an increasingly fragile union of four different nations. Long governed by a dominant England, the Celtic regions of Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland are now challenging London with their confident nationalisms. These range from growing assertiveness in Wales down to outright secessionism in Scotland and Northern Ireland. This introductory comparative politics class will survey their individual histories, nationalisms, and politics. We will do so by understanding how these nations each became part of the union, what they experienced before regaining limited self-government through devolution, and how they now shape their likely future within (and possibly outside of) the U.K.</p>				