



Faculty Name:	
Course Information:	INTRODUCTION TO AMERICAN POLITICS: POL 101
Course Section, Term and Year:	
Course Meeting Times & Location:	

Contact:

Phone Number:	
Office Location:	
Email address:	
Enter days/time you are available to meet with students.	

Netiquette

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Communication:

Faculty Communication with Students:

Discuss how faculty will contact students.

Student Communication with Faculty:

Discuss how students will contact faculty when they have questions or concerns.

Course Description:

POL 101 Introduction to American Politics

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This course will introduce students to American democracy and its founding, contemporary governmental institutions and national politics. In addition to historical development of American government, the course will explore citizenship, political parties, interest groups, media, Federalism, Congress, the Presidency, the Supreme Court, and the policy-making that results from their interactions. *General Education: S.*

Course Learning Outcomes:

Students will demonstrate an understanding of:

- The social, economic, and ideological foundations of the American Constitution; and of the democratic theories, pluralism, and elitism.
- The sources and directions of public opinion; levels of participation; the role of pressure groups, media, and political parties in the electoral process.
- The structure of Congress and the enactment process; the various roles the President plays in the policy making process; the increasing role played by the Supreme Court and the bureaucracy in the policy making process.
- Democratic theories, pluralism and elitism

General Education Learning Outcomes:

Social Sciences

Students will

- describe major concepts and theories of at least one discipline in the social sciences; and
- demonstrate an understanding of the methods social scientists use to explore social phenomena.

Program Learning Outcomes:

N/A

Course Resources:

Textbook:	Enter title, edition, author, ISBN for required text.
Materials:	Enter all additional required materials and tools needed to complete course here.
Access:	List access codes needed for websites or other software. .

Course Policies:

Click here to describe how students will participate in your class. Include policies regarding missed exams, makeup exams, extra credit assignments, late assignments, missed assignments, etc.

Course Delivery:

Course Content:

Lecture Format:

Student Expectations specific to this course:

Course Outline and Schedule

Grading Method:

Click here to enter a clear explanation of how students will be evaluated, including a description of course assessments and a statement of the assessment process and measurements. Include weight/percentages for quizzes, exams, papers, projects, homework, attendance, participation, etc.

Grading Scale:

Letter	Grade Range
A	Enter range for A.
A-	Enter range for A-.
B+	Enter range for B+
B	Enter range for B.
B-	Enter range for B-
C+	Enter range for C+.
C	Enter range for C.
D	Enter range for D.
F	Enter range for F.

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