ENVIRONMENTAL AND ENERGY POLITICS OPTION

This option is offered within the following major(s):

- Political Science - College of Liberal Arts (http://catalog.oregonstate.edu/college-departments/liberal-arts/school-public-policy/political-science-ba-bs-hba-hbs)

The Environmental and Energy Politics option under the Political Science major provides students with the opportunity to focus their undergraduate studies on topics involving:

- Historical and contemporary environmental problems
- Governmental and non-governmental efforts to address problems at the local, state, federal and international levels
- Interactions between key actors and institutions involved in environmental policymaking in the United States and internationally

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Methods/WIC

- PS 300  
  - *RESEARCH METHODS

Upper-Division Option Courses

Select at least 16 credits of the following: 1

- PS 314  
  - INTEREST GROUP POLITICS
- PS 331  
  - *STATE AND LOCAL POLITICS
- PS 371  
  - PUBLIC POLICY PROBLEMS
- PS 372  
  - PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
- PS 374  
  - *SUSTAINABLE LIVING: PRACTICES AND POLICIES
- PS 449  
  - *TOPICS IN COMPARATIVE POLITICS
- PS 455  
  - *THE POLITICS OF CLIMATE CHANGE
- PS 461  
  - ENVIRONMENTAL POLITICAL THEORY
- PS 470  
  - GLOBAL FOOD POLITICS AND POLICY
- PS 473  
  - US ENERGY POLICY
- PS 475  
  - ENVIRONMENTAL POLITICS AND POLICY
- PS 476  
  - *SCIENCE AND POLITICS
- PS 477  
  - INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLITICS AND POLICY
- PS 478  
  - RENEWABLE ENERGY POLICY

Select up to 8 credits of the following: 2

- ECON 352/  
  - AEC 352  
  - *ENVIRONMENTAL ECONOMICS AND POLICY
- ECON 466  
  - *ECONOMICS OF TRADITIONAL AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
- FES 485  
  - *CONSSENSUS AND NATURAL RESOURCES
- SOC 381  
  - SOCIAL DIMENSIONS OF SUSTAINABILITY
- SOC 456  
  - *SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN SOCIAL CONTEXT
- SOC 475  
  - RURAL SOCIOLOGY

Total Hours: 52

1 16 to 24 credits from the political science courses listed. Up to 8 upper-division credits can come from classes listed in economics and sociology. Credits from all courses must add up to at least 24. Other courses applied to this total must be approved by the department.

2 Any political science courses may be taken to reach the minimum of 52 total credits in the major with at least 36 of these at the upper-division level.

* Baccalaureate Core Course (BCC). Major courses cannot double count for Baccalaureate Core requirements.

^ Writing Intensive Course (WIC)

Potential for Learning Outside the Classroom

Political science majors are strongly encouraged to pursue experiential learning and other educational opportunities outside of the classroom, and these experiences can be used to fulfill some political science graduation requirements. Such experiences can include research, thesis writing, projects, or internship. Credits will be placed in the appropriate PS 401 RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP – PS 410 POLITICAL SCIENCE INTERNSHIP designator. A maximum of 8 credits from any combination of PS 401 RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP – PS 410 POLITICAL SCIENCE INTERNSHIP may be applied to the major, although additional credits from courses in this range may be applied to general graduation requirements. Additional experiential learning opportunities include “field schools” and study abroad. Students should discuss all of these opportunities with the political science undergraduate advisor.

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