Political Economy Grad Course Offerings and Subfield Requirements

Introduction

The subfield of Political Economy explores questions at the intersection of political science and economics, using a wide array of methodologies. The following courses are offered in Political Economy.

Core Courses

Math Camp. Andrew Bridy  
PLSC 698a/b. International Political Economy. Tyler Pratt, Didac Queralt  
PLSC 705a. Introduction to Political Economy. John Roemer  
PLSC 712b. Comparative Political Economy. Frances Rosenbluth  
PLSC 721a. Political Economy of Development. Rohini Pande and Gerard Padro

Elective Courses

PLSC 575a. Political Economy of Distribution in Democracies. John Roemer  
PLSC 706. Historical Political Economy. Didac Queralt  
PLSC 714a. Corruption, Economic Development, and Democracy. Susan Rose-Ackerman  
PLSC 725b. Empirical Political Economy. Ebonya Washington  
PLSC 746a. The Economics and Politics of Migration. Emily Sellars  
PLSC 763a/b. State Formation. Didac Queralt  
PLSC 854b. The American Political Economy. Jacob Hacker

Workshops

PLSC 938a/939b. Leitner Political Economy Seminar Series. (Various Instructors.)

Note:
-a courses are offered in the Fall, b courses are offered in the Spring. ab courses are offered in the Fall and Spring. a/b courses are offered in the Fall or Spring.

Subfield Requirements

Students may qualify in Political Economy by exam or coursework.

To qualify in PE by exam, students must first take Math Camp, PLSC 705a and one of PLSC 698a, 712b or 721b, before taking the exam.
To qualify in PE by coursework, students must take Math Camp, PLSC 705a, one of PLSC 698a, 712b or 721b, and an additional course (either a core course or an elective). Additionally, students must write a PE-themed paper, in the context of a PE course, that shows a strong command of the substantive and methodological approaches in the field.

We recommend that students prepare to qualify in PE by exam rather than by coursework.