

Political Economy Grad Course Offerings and Subfield Requirements. April 25, 2023.

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. Adam Meirowitz

PLSC 698a/b. International Political Economy. Didac Queralt

PLSC 519b. Introduction to Formal Political Economy. Emily Sellars. Milan Svolic.

PLSC 712b. Comparative Political Economy. Milan Svolic

PLSC 721a. Political Economy of Development. Rohini Pande and Gerard Padro

Elective Courses

PLSC 520b. Advanced Models of Political Economy. Ian Turner.

PLSC 706b. Historical Political Economy. Isabela Mares. Didac Queralt

PLSC 714a. Corruption, Economic Development, and Democracy. Susan Rose-Ackerman

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.

For students who entered the program in Fall 2023 or later:

To qualify in PE by exam, students must first take Math Camp, PLSC 519, and one of PLSC 698, 712, or 721, before taking the exam.

To qualify in PE by coursework, students must take Math Camp, PLSC 519, one of PLSC 698, 712, or 721, 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.

For students who entered the program before Fall 2023:

To qualify in PE by exam, students must first take Math Camp, one of PLSC 705 or 519, and one of PLSC 698, 712, or 721, before taking the exam.

To qualify in PE by coursework, students must take Math Camp, one of PLSC 705 or 519, one of PLSC 698, 712, or 721, 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.

Students are reminded that they cannot count a course in more than one field. For example, if they take 519 to certify in Political Economy, then they cannot take it to certify in Formal Theory.