

# POLS 156: INTEREST GROUPS

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### Viewing: POLS 156 : Interest Groups

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#### Catalog Title:

Interest Groups

#### Class Schedule Title:

Interest Groups

#### Academic Group: (College)

SSIS - Social Sciences & Interdisciplinary Studies

**Academic Organization: (Department)**

Political Science

**Will this course be offered through the College of Continuing Education (CCE)?**

No

**Catalog Year Effective:**

Fall 2022 (2022/2023 Catalog)

**Subject Area: (prefix)**

POLS - Political Science

**Catalog Number: (course number)**

156

**Course ID: (For administrative use only.)**

136726

**Units:**

3

**Is the only purpose of this change to update the term typically offered or the enforcement of existing prerequisites at registration?**

No

**In what term(s) will this course typically be offered?**

Fall, Spring

**Does this course require a room for its final exam?**

Yes, final exam requires a room

**This course complies with the credit hour policy:**

Yes

**Justification for course proposal:**

Removing the POLS 1 or POLS 150 prerequisites for three reasons. First, prerequisites are not essential for this course. Second, the prerequisites often prevent or delay enrollment for new transfer students whose equivalent POLS 1/150 course has not been processed yet, and students who have fulfilled the prerequisite with a passing score on the AP United States Government and Politics exam (which the Political Science department recognizes as fulfilling the prerequisite, but CMS does not). Finally, since American government is a systemwide requirement, it is very rare for students enrolling in an upper division Political Science course to have not taken an American government class.

Also updated terms in which this course is offered to more accurately reflect which semesters this course may be offered.

**Course Description: (Not to exceed 80 words and language should conform to catalog copy.)**

Examination and analysis of interest groups in American political systems. The nature, role, formation, organization and activities of interest groups; how interest groups influence the public, political campaigns, public policy-making, and policy implementation. Representative interest groups will be studied.

**Are one or more field trips required with this course?**

No

**Fee Course?**

No

**Is this course designated as Service Learning?**

No

**Is this course designated as Curricular Community Engaged Learning?**

No

**Does this course require safety training?**

No

**Does this course require personal protective equipment (PPE)?**

No

**Does this course have prerequisites?**

No

**Does this course have corequisites?**

No

**Graded:**

Letter

**Approval required for enrollment?**

No Approval Required

**Course Component(s) and Classification(s):**

Lecture

**Lecture Classification**

CS#02 - Lecture/Discussion (K-factor=1WTU per unit)

**Lecture Units**

3

**Is this a paired course?**

No

**Is this course crosslisted?**

No

**Can this course be repeated for credit?**

No

**Can the course be taken for credit more than once during the same term?**

No

**Description of the Expected Learning Outcomes and Assessment Strategies:**

List the Expected Learning Outcomes and their accompanying Assessment Strategies (e.g., portfolios, examinations, performances, pre-and post-tests, conferences with students, student papers). Click the plus sign to add a new row.

	<b>Expected Learning Outcome</b>	<b>Assessment Strategies</b>
1	Explain the role and influence of interest groups in the United States	In-class activities and quizzes; midterm exam; interest group project; final exam
2	Analyze the formation and maintenance of interest groups, the relationship between political parties and interest groups, and the activities in which interest groups engage	In-class activities and quizzes; guest lecture questions; midterm exam; interest group project; final exam
3	Evaluate and analyze current events and national interest groups in connection to course concepts	Guest lecture questions; interest group project
4	Demonstrate writing skills	In-class activities and quizzes; midterm exam; interest group project; final exam
5	Demonstrate oral presentation skills	In-class activities and quizzes; interest group project

**Attach a list of the required/recommended course readings and activities:**

Martin POLS 156 Syllabus.docx

**Is this course required in a degree program (major, minor, graduate degree, certificate?)**

No

**Does the proposed change or addition cause a significant increase in the use of College or University resources (lab room, computer)?**

No

**Will there be any departments affected by this proposed course?**

No

I/we as the author(s) of this course proposal agree to provide a new or updated accessibility checklist to the Dean's office prior to the semester when this course is taught utilizing the changes proposed here.

I/we agree

## University Learning Goals

### Undergraduate Learning Goals:

Competence in the disciplines

Is this course required as part of a teaching credential program, a single subject, or multiple subject waiver program (e.g., Liberal Studies, Biology) or other school personnel preparation program (e.g., School of Nursing)?

No

## GE Course and GE Goal(s)

Is this a General Education (GE) course or is it being considered for GE?

No

### Reviewer Comments:

Tristan Josephson (tristan.josephson) (Tue, 12 Oct 2021 23:33:53 GMT): Rollback: As requested.

Emily Wickelgren (wickelgr) (Thu, 16 Feb 2023 01:58:07 GMT): Rollback: See email comments on 2/15/23

Jim Cox (jhcox) (Tue, 28 Feb 2023 17:11:25 GMT): Rollback: here you go

Danielle Martin (danielle.martin) (Tue, 28 Feb 2023 22:53:45 GMT): Rollback: Needs editing

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