

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN POLITICAL ECONOMY

This certificate provides students with the requisite knowledge and skills to engage in political economy research across the social sciences and humanities. Students are required to complete three (3) core courses from three (3) different departments in the College of Liberal Arts (CLA) to develop an understanding of theories of political economy and their application in social scientific and humanities research and wherever questions of social choice are involved.

[Students interested in graduate work should refer to the Graduate and Professional Bulletin.](#)

Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this certificate, students will be able to:

1. Explain problems, concepts, and phenomena based on the complex relationships between politics, economics, culture, society, and the environment.
2. Define, explain, and combine a range of theoretical approaches to political economy from different disciplinary fields.
3. Apply diverse theoretical approaches of political economy in social science or humanities research, and wherever social choice is involved.
4. Effectively communicate complex concepts, theoretical perspectives, and empirical evidence from the field of political economy.

Requirements Effective Fall 2023

Additional coursework may be required due to prerequisites.

Code	Title	Credits
Core Courses (Must complete nine (9) credits in three (3) different departments. Additional core credits can be used to satisfy elective credits)		9
ANTH 520	Women, Health, and Culture	
ANTH 548	Theoretical Topics in Cultural Anthropology	
ECON 505	History of Economic Thought	
ECON 771	Political Economy of Race and Gender	
JTC 570	Political Economy of Global Media	
POLS 532	Governance of the World Political Economy	
POLS 541	Political Economy of Change and Development	
SOC 667	Theories of State, Economy, and Society	
SOC 669	Global Inequality and Change	
SPCM 647	Media Industries	
Electives (see list below)		6
Program Total Credits:		15

Code	Title	Credits
Elective Courses (Any six (6) credits from these courses can be used to satisfy the elective requirements of the certificate)		
ANTH 521	Gender, Sexuality, and Culture	3
ANTH 530	Human-Environment Interactions	3

ANTH 538	Food, Hunger, and Culture	3
ANTH 540	Medical Anthropology	3
ANTH 551	Historical Archaeology	3
ANTH 553	Archaeology of Complex Societies	3
ANTH 571	Anthropology and Global Health	3
ECON 640	International Trade Theory	3
ECON 705	Heterodox Approaches to Economics	3
ECON 772	Marxian Political Economy	3
POLS 670	Politics of Environment and Sustainability	3
POLS 672	Power, Justice, and Democracy	3
POLS 739	International Environmental Politics	3
SOC 502	Foundations of Theoretical Sociology	3
SOC 564	Environmental Justice	3
SOC 630	Social Stratification	3
SOC 666	Globalization and Socioeconomic Restructuring	3
SOC 668	Environmental Sociology	3
SPCM 508	Deliberative Theory and Practice	3
SPCM 634	Communication and Cultural Diversity	3
SPCM 792A	Seminar: Rhetoric and Civic Engagement	3

*This certificate may have courses in common with other graduate certificates. A student may earn more than one certificate, but a given course may be counted only in one certificate.