

# Minor in Public Policy in the United States

Students majoring in various social science disciplines are encouraged to minor in Public Policy. Students earning a BA or BGS can obtain a minor; the minor consists of 18 credit hours.

## Requirements for the Public Policy in the U.S. Minor

The Public Policy in the U.S. minor involves course work focused on domestic U.S. public policy and the political environment surrounding the making and implementation of policy.

\*NOTE - Students in more than one minor offered through the political science department cannot overlap more than one course between two minors.

### Public Policy in U.S. Minor Core

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Public Policy in the U.S. Minor Core Requirements</b>		
POLS 110	Introduction to U.S. Politics	3
POLS 320	Introduction to Public Policy	3
<b>Public Policy in U.S. Minor Electives</b>		
At least 12 hours of POLS courses from approved list:		12
POLS 313	Comparative U.S. State Politics	
POLS 321	Public Policy Analysis	
POLS 323	The Politics of Social Policy	
POLS 371	United States Foreign Policy	
POLS 373	International Organization	
POLS 375	Russian Foreign Policy	
POLS 378	Chinese Foreign Policy	
POLS 414	Urban Politics	
POLS 420	Formulation of Public Policy	
POLS 425	Extremist Groups and Government Response	
POLS 429	Topics in Public Policy: _____	
POLS 430	Politics of Identity	
POLS 444	Justice and Public Policy in Democratic Societies	
POLS 463	Comparative Political Economy	
POLS 472	International Political Economy	
POLS 477	U.S. National Security Policy	
POLS 493	Directed Readings (if content is appropriate)	
POLS 517	Policing the Womb	
POLS 528	Environmental Justice and Public Policy	
POLS 624	Environmental Politics and Policy	
POLS 628	The Politics of Public Health	
POLS 720	The Scope of Public Policy (graduate level)	

## Minor Hours & Minor GPA

While completing all required courses, minors must also meet each of the following hour and GPA minimum standards:

### Minor Hours

Satisfied by 18 hours of minor courses.

### Minor Junior/Senior Hours in Residence

Satisfied by a minimum of 12 hours of KU resident credit in the minor.

### Minor Junior/Senior Hours

Satisfied by a minimum of 12 hours from junior/senior courses (300+) in the minor.

### Minor Junior/Senior Graduation GPA

Satisfied by a minimum of a 2.0 KU GPA in all departmental courses (300+) in the minor. GPA calculations include all junior/senior courses in the field of study including F's and repeated courses. See the Semester/Cumulative GPA Calculator (<https://sis.ku.edu/gpa-calculator/>).