

# Minor in Public Policy in the United States

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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 493	Directed Readings (if content is appropriate)	1-3
POLS 528	Environmental Justice and Public Policy	3
POLS 553	Comparative Environmental Politics	3
POLS 563	Comparative Political Economy	3
POLS 566	Social Welfare, Taxation, and the Citizen	3
POLS 613	Comparative U.S. State Politics	3
POLS 614	Urban Politics	3
POLS 620	Formulation of Public Policy	3
POLS 621	Public Policy Analysis	3
POLS 622	Government and the Economy	3
POLS 623	The Politics of Social Policy	3
POLS 624	Environmental Politics and Policy	3
POLS 625	Extremist Groups and Government Response	3
POLS 628	The Politics of Public Health	3
POLS 629	Topics in Public Policy: _____	1-3
POLS 630	Politics of Identity	3
POLS 634	Bureaucratic Politics	3
POLS 640	Politics of Reproductive Policy	3
POLS 644	Justice and Public Policy in Democratic Societies	3
POLS 670	United States Foreign Policy	3
POLS 672	International Political Economy	3
POLS 673	International Organization	3
POLS 675	Russian Foreign Policy	3
POLS 677	U.S. National Security Policy	3
POLS 720	The Scope of Public Policy (graduate level)	3

## 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 (<http://clas.ku.edu/undergrad/tools/gpa>).