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

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Public Policy in U.S. Minor Electives

At least 12 hours of POLS courses from approved list: 12

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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/).