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ABOUT OUR PROGRAM

Political science studies power and justice; who governs, for what purposes, and with what limits. We examine citizens and governments in Canada and around the world, international relations, public policies, war and peace, and other political issues. We employ dynamic, innovative teaching methods in small classes. As a political science student, you’ll examine much more than just theories and abstract concepts – you’ll discuss the major issues of our times, including democracy and participation, human rights, peace and security, migration and citizenship, the environment, public management, the fight against corruption and poverty, and more.

Many courses involve guest speakers from the worlds of policy and politics, including diplomats, political leaders, RCMP officers, journalists, even filmmakers. Others give you real-world experience with case studies taken from the major issues of our time. You can also put your studies into practice by participating in Glendon’s Model United Nations team and other simulations.

The Department of Political Science at Glendon provides a dynamic and bilingual learning environment for students interested in all aspects of politics. The Department specializes in international politics, comparative politics, Canadian politics, and political theory. Faculty members also possess expertise in European affairs, public administration/public policy and the study of social movements.

The Department is keen to develop students’ critical thinking skills: the capacity for the individual to ask the right question, to search for the answer, to consider alternatives, and to provide an original and well thought-out explanation. We want to develop citizens that are well-informed and engaged. Glendon political science graduates make a difference in their community.

Career paths for graduates of Glendon’s political science program include: civil servant, foreign service officer, lawyer, political leader, journalist, corrections officer, and administrator. Many students also go on to pursue graduate study in law, business, education, or public service.

We offer excellent student support services, small classes, award winning professors, and multiple academic, extra-curricular and professional opportunities. Multicultural and open to the world, Glendon is the perfect location to study political science.

For detailed program requirements, please refer to the undergraduate calendar applicable to your year of entry.
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COURSES OFFERED BY THE DEPARTMENT

CORE COURSES

POLS 2485 6.0 (FR)  Introduction à la Théorie Politique
POLS 2490 6.0(EN)  The Birth of Politics
POLS 2510 6.0(EN)  Introduction to Comparative Politics
POLS 2600 6.0(EN)  Introduction to Canadian Politics
POLS 2600 6.0(FR)  Introduction à la politique canadienne
POLS 2920 6.0(EN)  Introduction to International Relations
POLS 2920 6.0(FR)  Introduction aux relations internationales

POLITICAL THEORY

POLS 3500 3.0 (EN)  Democracy and Representation
POLS 3667 3.0(EN)  War, Power and Sovereignty
POLS 3668 3.0(EN)  Community, Liberty and Institutions
POLS 4212 3.0(EN)  Political Ethics
POLS 4636 3.0(EN)  Inclusion, Exclusion and Difference
POLS 4637 3.0(EN)  Deliberation and Participation
POLS 4640 3.0(EN)  The Idea of Democracy

COMPARATIVE POLITICS

POLS 3222 3.0(EN)  Comparative European Politics
POLS 3230 6.0(EN)  Government and Politics of the United States
POLS 3260 3.0 (FR)  Politique publique comparée
POLS 3685 6.0(FR)  Politique comparée des pays en voie de développement
POLS 3686 3.0 (EN)  Politics of the Middle East and North Africa
POLS 3694 3.0 (EN)  Cities, Migrants and the Politics of Belonging
POLS 4613 3.0(EN)  European Integration
POLS 4652 3.0 (EN)  Borders, Displacement and the State
POLS 4674 3.0(EN)  Migration and Citizenship

CANADIAN POLITICS

POLS 3135 3.0(EN)  Public Law I: The Constitution and the Courts in Canada
POLS 3136 3.0(EN)  Public Law II: The Charter of Rights and Freedoms and the Limits of Public Administration
POLS 3360 6.0(BI)  Politics in Quebec / La politique de Québec
POLS 3460 3.0 (EN)  Ontario Government & Politics
POLS 3550 3.0 (EN)  Politics & Place: The Structure of Local Government
POLS 3647 3.0 (FR)  Médias et politiques
POLS 4280 6.0 (EN)  Canadian Foreign and Defence Policy
POLS 4325 3.0 (FR)  Relations État et société

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
POLS 3212 3.0 (FR)  Les relations intergouvernementales au Canada
POLS 3235 3.0 (EN)  International Relations through Film & Literature
POLS 4682 3.0 (EN)  Transnational Crime and Corruption
DEPARTMENTAL SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

FRIENDS OF GLEN DON SCHOLARSHIP IN POLITICAL SCIENCE
Awarded annually to a continuing student enrolled in a bachelor's degree in Political Science at Glendon who has successfully completed a minimum of 24 credits with a minimum cumulative grade point average of 7.5. The recipient must be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident or protected person, an Ontario resident and demonstrate financial need. For more information, please visit the following website:

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MICHAEL LOCKE SCHOLARSHIP IN POLITICAL SCIENCE
Awarded annually to an undergraduate student in the Department of Political Science or Economics at Glendon. The recipient must achieve a minimum grade point average of 7.5. The recipient must be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident or protected person, an Ontario resident and demonstrate financial need. To be considered for this award, students must submit a Student Financial Profile, available at: http://sfs.yorku.ca/scholarships.

Students with disabilities have the option of submitting a paper application, available from on-campus disability service providers.

DEPARTMENTAL BOOK PRIZE
Awarded annually to an outstanding Political Science student upon graduation.

ACADEMIC ADVISING & RESOURCES

Glendon's Office of Academic Services provides a range of registration and support services to students. This office is responsible for maintaining the integrity of student academic records and offers information on University and College rules and regulations, courses and registration, grade reporting and degree audit, graduation and transcripts, and academic advising. You will be able to obtain information on all academic matters from initial registration through to graduation.

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Lecture Schedule: https://w2prod.sis.yorku.ca/Apps/WebObjects/cdm
Policies, Procedures and Regulations (incl. Academic Honesty): http://www.yorku.ca/secretariat/policies/index-policies.html

LANGUAGE TRAINING CENTRE FOR STUDIES IN FRENCH
The Language Training Centre for Studies in French welcomes students who want to improve their knowledge of French in order to meet Glendon's base bilingual requirement, which is the minimum requirement to graduate from Glendon. The FSL courses are open to all students majoring and minoring in fields other than French Studies or Translation.

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COURSE DESCRIPTIONS / DESCRIPTIONS DES COURS

GL/ POLS 2485 6.0 (FR) – INTRODUCTION À LA THÉORIE POLITIQUE

Ce cours offre un aperçu critique et historique des concepts essentiels de la pensée politique, ainsi qu’une introduction aux différentes théories de l’autorité politique et sociale. Il examine des concepts tels que l’autorité, la démocratie, la liberté, l’égalité, la souveraineté, le droit, et la justice.

Professeur : Yann Allard-Tremblay

GL/POLS 2490 6.0 (EN) – THE BIRTH OF POLITICS

The course begins by considering early forms of political organization and the origins of the state and goes on to examine the unique political experience of the ancient Greeks which laid the foundations for the Western tradition of political theory and practice. Readings in anthropology, history, literature and philosophy.

Open to students in first, second or third year.

Instructor: To be announced

GL/POLS 2510 6.0 (EN) – INTRODUCTION TO COMPARATIVE POLITICS

This course focuses on comparative political analysis which explains differences between political regimes, explores why countries are democratic or undemocratic; why institutions and policies differ between states; and, the political impact of nationalism, regional integration, economic development and globalization.

Open to students in first, second or third year.

Instructor: To be announced

GL/POLS/CDNS 2600 6.0 (EN) – INTRODUCTION TO CANADIAN POLITICS

This course examines some of the key institutions and processes of political life in Canada. It deals with the origins and development of Canadian political traditions, political parties, the evolution and contemporary nature of the federal system, the role of interest groups, the electoral system and voting behaviour, the Prime Minister and the Cabinet, the legislative system and the public policy process.

Degree credit exclusions: GL/POLS 2540 6.0(EN), POLS 2011 6.0(FR)

Open to students in first, second or third year.

Instructor: To be announced

GL/POLS/ILST 2920 6.0 (EN) – INTRODUCTION TO INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (AP/POLS 2490 6.0(EN))

A study of the nature of world politics, with special attention given to the conditions and consequences of power relations and structures for states and societies; the impact on world order of phenomena such as conflicts; inequalities; international organizations; multinational corporations; regional blocs; an introduction to the principal theories of international relations.

Degree credit exclusions: GL/POLS/ILST 2250 6.0, 3900 6.0 & POLS 3250 6.0.

Open to students in first, second, or third year.

Instructor: E. Gutterman
GL/POLS/ILST 2920 6.0 (FR) – INTRODUCTION AUX RELATIONS INTERNATIONALES

L'étude de la nature de la politique mondiale, avec une attention particulière portée sur les conditions et conséquences des relations et structures de pouvoir sur les États et les sociétés; l'impact sur l'ordre mondial des phénomènes tels que conflits, inégalités, organisations internationales, firmes multinationales, blocs régionaux, l'étude des grandes théories des relations internationales.


Professeur : à déterminer

AS/AK/GL/POLS 3135 3.0 E (EN) – PUBLIC LAW I: THE CONSTITUTION AND THE COURTS IN CANADA (FALL)

An examination of the Canadian court structure, judicial review of federalism, the role of courts and lawyers, and the relationship between law, politics and public policy. Using technology-enhanced learning, students participate in electronic discussions and mock trials.

Degree credit exclusion: AS/POLS 3600 3.0, SOSC 3360 6.0, AK/SOCI 3900C 6.0

Open to students in third or fourth year.

Instructor: Radha Persaud

GL/POLS/ 3212 3.0 (FR) – LES RELATIONS INTERGOUVERNEMENTAL AU CANADA (HIVER)

Ce cours porte sur le fédéralisme canadien, s'attardant particulièrement aux relations entre le gouvernement fédéral et les provinces. Nous étudions les arrangements institutionnels, formels et informels, structurant la relation entre les deux niveaux de gouvernements.

Conditions préalables : GL/POLS 2500 6.00 ou GL/POLS 2600 6.00 ou la permission du département.

Instructeur: à déterminer

GL/POLS 3230 6.0 (EN) – GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS OF THE UNITED STATES

An examination of contemporary American public life. Special attention is given to the presidency, the legislative process, federalism, the protection of individual liberties and the evolution of foreign and domestic policy.

Open to first-year students.

Instructor: Radha Persaud
GL/POLS 3235 3.0 (EN) – INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS THROUGH FILM AND LITERATURE (WINTER)

This course critically analyses theories and concepts in international relations through films and literary works, with a particular focus on war, conflict and US foreign policy.

Epistemology and method are addressed alongside pivotal wars of the last century. Open to students in second, third or fourth year.

Instructor: E. Gutterman

GL/POLS 3260 3.0 (FR) – POLITIQUE PUBLIQUE COMPARÉE (AUTOMNE)

S’appuyant sur des études de cas provenant de plusieurs pays, ce cours compare l’influence des institutions, des intérêts et des idées dans le développement et la mise en œuvre des politiques publiques.

Condition préalable : GL/POLS 2510 6.00 ou permission du département.

Instructeur : à déterminer

GL/POLS 3360 3.0 (EN) – POLITICS IN QUEBEC / LA POLITIQUE DU QUEBEC (FALL)

An introduction to the forces, processes and institutions of political life in Quebec and an analysis of them in terms of the concepts and models of political science. Une introduction aux forces, aux interactions et aux institutions de la vie politique de Québec ainsi que leur analyse selon les concepts et les modèles de la science politique.

Course credit exclusion: AP/POLS 3120 3.00

Instructor : To be announced

GL/POLS 3460 3.0 (EN) – ONTARIO GOVERNMENT & POLITICS (WINTER)

This course analyzes the institutions and operation of Ontario’s provincial government and political system in the context of Canadian federalism. Consideration of Ontario’s political parties, electoral system, organization of government, and policy in a range of areas.

Course credit exclusion: AP/POLS 3175 3.00.

Instructor : To be announced

GL/POLS/ 3500 3.0 (EN) – DEMOCRACY AND REPRESENTATION (FALL)

This course analyzes political representation in democratic thought and practice. It considers normative, analytical, and empirical perspectives on political parties, elections, the media, and social movements, focusing on the politics of recognition and representation of interests and identities.

Instructor: Caitlin Tom

GL/POLS/SOSC 3647 3.0 (FR) – MÉDIAS ET POLITIQUES (AUTOMNE)

Ce cours vise à analyser de façon critique les enjeux du paysage médiatique actuel et les liens avec le domaine politique. Les thèmes abordés sont les suivants : médias et propagande, nouvelles technologies et information continue, concentration de la presse et débats démocratiques, mondialisation et standardisation.

Cours ouvert aux étudiants de deuxième, troisième et quatrième années.

Professeur : à déterminer
GL/POLS/PHIL/HIST/HUMA 3667 3.0 (EN) – WAR, POWER AND SOVEREIGNTY (FALL)

This course examines concepts such as war, power, and sovereignty through the works of thinkers such as Machiavelli, Hobbes, and Locke not as abstract ideas but as responses to, comments on, defences, or critiques of historical events and social realities.

Prerequisites: none required, but students can acquire recommended background by taking GL/HIST 2905 6.00, GL/HIST 3225 3.00, GL/HIST 3436 3.00, GL/PHIL 1690 6.00, GL/PHIL 2620 6.00, GL/PHIL 2645 6.00, GL/POLS 2485 6.00 or GL/POLS 2920 6.00.

Course credit exclusion: GL/POLS 3660 6.00.

Instructor: To be announced

GL/POLS/PHIL/HIST/HUMA 3668 3.0 (EN) – COMMUNITY, LIBERTY AND INSTITUTIONS (WINTER)

This course examines concepts such as community, liberty, and institutions through the works of thinkers such as Rousseau, Madison, Mill, and Marx not as abstract ideas but as responses to, comments on, defences, or critiques of historical events and social realities.

Prerequisites: none required, but students can acquire recommended background by taking GL/HIST 2905 6.00, GL/HIST 3225 3.00, GL/HIST 3436 3.00, GL/PHIL 1690 6.00, GL/PHIL 2620 6.00, GL/PHIL 2645 6.00, GL/POLS 2485 6.00 or GL/POLS 2920 6.00.

Course credit exclusion: GL/POLS 3660 6.00.

Instructor: To be announced

GL/POLS/ILST 3686 3.0 (EN) – POLITICS OF THE MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA (FALL)

This course surveys core themes in the comparative politics of the Middle East and North Africa such as state formation and (de)colonization, authoritarianism and democratization, migration, social movements, gender, and religion and politics, through comparative and interdisciplinary perspectives.

Instructor: To be announced

GL/POLS/ILST/SOCI 3694 3.0 – CITIES, MIGRANTS AND THE POLITICS OF BELONGING (WINTER)

This course examines how migrants shape cities and vice versa, considering literatures on urban citizenship, human mobility, local governance, and migrant rights. It considers analytical, empirical, and normative perspectives on the relationship between migration and the creation and maintenance of state borders.

Instructor: To be announced

GL/POLS 4212 3.0 (EN) – POLITICAL ETHICS (WINTER)

This course examines ethical problems and paradoxes that arise in modern political life. It emphasises theoretical and practical perspectives with particular attention to political ethics in democracies. Topics include coercion, justice, secrecy, deception, political violence, corruption, war, and torture.

Instructor: To be announced
GL/POLS 4674 3.0 (EN) – MIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP (FALL)

This course focuses on the causes and consequences of international migration. It examines immigrant integration and assimilation, politics of multiculturalism and diversity, trans-nationalism, refugees and humanitarian concerns, borders and security, and cross-national variation in migration and citizenship policies through theoretical analyses and empirical studies.

Course credit exclusion: GL/POLS 4010 3.00 (EN).

Instructor: Juan Marsiaj

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GL/POLS 4636 3.0 (EN) – INCLUSION, EXCLUSION, AND DIFFERENCE (FALL)

This course examines debates about inclusion, exclusion, and difference in contemporary political and legal discourse. Drawing on contemporary political theory and court cases, students examine issues surrounding the inclusion or exclusion of ethnic, linguistic, sexual, religious, or other minorities.

Instructor: Juan Marsiaj

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GL/POLS 4637 3.0 (EN) – DELIBERATION AND PARTICIPATION (WINTER)

This course examines debates about deliberation and participation in contemporary political and legal discourse. Drawing on contemporary political theory and court cases, students examine issues surrounding participation, activism, the role of citizens versus elites or experts, and democratic dissent.

Instructor: Caitlin Tom

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GL/POLS 4652 3.0 (EN) – BORDERS, DISPLACEMENT, AND THE STATE (WINTER)

This course analyzes the role of population displacement in state transformation, drawing on both historical and contemporary cases to show how migration both contests and shapes borders and the relationship between citizens, the state, and society more broadly.

Instructor: Willem Maas

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GL/POLS 4682 3.0 (EN) – TRANSNATIONAL CRIME AND CORRUPTION (WINTER)

This course examines practical and theoretical aspects of transnational crime and corruption in contemporary global politics. Topics include bribery in international business, money laundering, transnational organized crime, human trafficking, illicit weapons trading, and international efforts to control these problems.

Prerequisite: GL/POLS 2920 6.00 (EN).

Instructor: Ellen Gutterman