

JOINT HONOURS BSOCSC IN FEMINIST AND GENDER STUDIES AND IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

Overview

Feminist and Gender Studies

The Institute of Feminist and Gender Studies offers students exciting interdisciplinary undergraduate and graduate programs that explore women, gender and feminisms. Our teaching and research deal with hot button issues such as globalization, transnationalism, sexualities, colonialism and racism. Courses blend scientific, theoretical and practical knowledge that contributes toward intellectual development and collective efforts for social justice.

Learn more about the Feminist and Gender Studies program (<https://www.uottawa.ca/faculty-social-sciences/feminist-gender-studies/undergraduate/programs/>)

Political Science

Politics is omnipresent in our lives. Political science seeks to describe, analyze, understand and assess the principles and power relations that govern social life. It revolves as much around the structures and institutions that define these relations and principles as around the ideas and practices that drive them. It studies everything that influences political life and institutions (ideologies, groups, social movements, etc.) on a local, regional, national and international scale.

Our programs offer in-depth training in political science and encourage critical reflection on pivotal issues like citizenship, identity, political participation, globalization and development, governance and the state, and ethics and democracy. A discipline open to many theoretical and methodological approaches, political science constantly exchanges and shares with other fields. At the University of Ottawa's School of Political Studies, you build your knowledge in four subfields of political science: political thought, Canadian and Quebec politics, comparative politics, and international relations and global politics.

This program is offered in English and in French.

Learn more about the Political Science program (<https://www.uottawa.ca/faculty-social-sciences/political-studies/undergraduate/political-science-programs/>)

Program Requirements

Co-operative education is available with this program.

The French immersion stream is available with this program.

Requirements for this program have been modified. Please consult the 2025-2026 calendars (<http://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/archives/>) for the previous requirements.

Basic skills

ENG 1100	Workshop in Essay Writing	3 Units
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ENG 1120	Selected Topics in Literature and Composition	3 Units
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Total: 6 Units

Methodology (3 units)

3 course units from: 3 Units

FEM 2103 Methodology in Feminist Studies

POL 2156 Foundations of Research in Political Science

Feminist and Gender Studies (36 units)

FEM 1100 Women, Gender, Feminism: An Introduction 3 Units

FEM 3105 Feminist Theories 3 Units

6 course units from: 6 Units

FEM 2104 Gender, (Dis)Ability and Health

FEM 2107 Diversities of Women: Gender, Race, Class and (Dis)ability

FEM 2109 Gender and Globalization in a Transnational World

FEM 2110 Sexuality, Gender and Popular Culture

FEM 2111 Class, Work, Gender and (Re)Production

3 course units from: 3 Units

FEM 4310 Feminism and Transnationalism

FEM 4320 Anti-Colonial and Anti-Racist Feminisms

FEM 4330 Gender, Identity and Embodiment

Optional Courses in Feminist and Gender Studies

9 optional course units at the 3000 or 4000 level from the list of optional courses 9 Units

3 optional course units at the 4000 level from the list of optional courses 3 Units

9 optional course units in Feminist and Gender Studies (FEM) from the list of optional courses 9 Units

Political Science (45 units)

POL 1101 Introduction to Political Science 3 Units

POL 2101 Introduction to Canadian Politics 3 Units

POL 2103 Introduction to International Relations and Global Politics 3 Units

POL 2104 Introduction to Comparative Politics 3 Units

POL 2107 Introduction to Political Thought 3 Units

POL 2108 Modern Political Thought I 3 Units

POL 3102 Modern Political Thought II 3 Units

3 course units from: 3 Units

POL 3370 Qualitative Analysis in Political Science

POL 3371 Quantitative Analysis in Political Science

3 course units from the Canadian Politics group: 3 Units

POL 3125 Urban Politics in Canada

POL 3126 Gender and Politics

POL 3128 Quebec Politics

POL 3135 Politics and Francophonie in Ontario

POL 3159 Indigenous Politics in Canada

POL 3170 Comparative Provincial Politics

POL 3171 Immigration, Multiculturalism and Citizenship in Canada and Quebec

POL 3172 Political Participation and Mobilization in Canada

POL 3174 Federalism

POL 3178 Canadian Foreign Policy and North American Relations		POL 3181 International and Comparative Politics of Indigenous Peoples	
POL 3182 Indigenous Political Theory		POL 4126 Contemporary Geopolitics	
POL 4134 Law, Politics, and the Constitution in Canada		POL 4127 United States Foreign Policy	
POL 4135 Francophonie, Diversity, Citizenship		POL 4138 Empire and Imperialism	
POL 4150 Electoral Systems and Political Parties		POL 4170 Politics of Foreign Aid	
POL 4154 Parliamentary Government in Canada		POL 4173 Agri-Food Politics	
POL 4162 Health Politics and Policy in Canada		POL 4176 International Political Economy	
POL 4163 Sexual and Gender Diversity Politics		POL 4178 Political Economy of Development	
POL 4165 Social and Political Thought in Quebec		POL 4188 International Relations as Political Theory	
POL 4166 Social and Political Thought in Canada		POL 4190 Global Environmental Politics	
POL 4194 Indigenous Governance in Canada		POL 4191 Selected Topics in Critical Security and War Studies	
POL 4301 The Politics of Populism		POL 4192 Selected Topics in International Political Economy and or Global Governance	
POL 4303 Politics and the Far Right		POL 4302 Technopolitics	
POL 4375 Social Citizenship and the Welfare State: Canada in a Comparative Perspective		3 course units from:	3 Units
3 course units from the Comparative Politics group:	3 Units	POL 4310 Honours Seminar in Political Thought	
POL 3109 Nationalism		POL 4320 Honours Seminar in Canadian Politics	
POL 3114 Comparative Politics: Asia		POL 4330 Honours Seminar in International Relations and Global Politics	
POL 3115 Comparative Politics of Development		POL 4350 Honours Seminar in Comparative Politics	
POL 3126 Gender and Politics		POL 4930 Honours Seminar in International Relations and Global Politics	
POL 3144 Comparative Politics: Africa		3 optional course units in political science (POL)	3 Units
POL 3145 Comparative Politics: Latin America		6 optional course units in political science (POL) at the 4000 level	6 Units
POL 3162 Political Violence		Total:	84 Units
POL 3164 Comparative Politics: Middle East and Arab World		Elective Courses	
POL 3177 Politics, Social Movements and Globalization		30 elective course units	30 Units
POL 3180 Comparative Politics: Europe		Total:	30 Units
POL 3181 International and Comparative Politics of Indigenous Peoples		List of Optional Courses	
POL 4127 United States Foreign Policy		ART 3117 Art and Gender	3 Units
POL 4141 Comparative Politics: United States		CLA 3163 Women in Early Christianity	3 Units
POL 4145 Comparative Politics: Identity Issues		CMN 3104 Women and Media	3 Units
POL 4163 Sexual and Gender Diversity Politics		CRM 3307 Women and Gendered Confinement and Criminalization	3 Units
POL 4178 Political Economy of Development		CRM 4312 Women and Gendered Justice	3 Units
POL 4184 Democratization and Authoritarianism		FEM 2104 Gender, (Dis)Ability and Health	3 Units
POL 4189 Politics of Human Rights		FEM 2107 Diversities of Women: Gender, Race, Class and (Dis)ability	3 Units
POL 4301 The Politics of Populism		FEM 2109 Gender and Globalization in a Transnational World	3 Units
POL 4303 Politics and the Far Right		FEM 2110 Sexuality, Gender and Popular Culture	3 Units
POL 4375 Social Citizenship and the Welfare State: Canada in a Comparative Perspective		FEM 2111 Class, Work, Gender and (Re)Production	3 Units
POL 4378 Comparative Politics: China		FEM 3100 Special Topic in Feminist and Gender Studies	3 Units
3 course units from the International Relations group:	3 Units	FEM 3104 Feminism, Justice and the Law	3 Units
POL 3113 Migration, Mobility, Borders and Citizenship		FEM 3106 Women, Gender and Development	3 Units
POL 3123 Gender Studies and Feminist Theories in International Relations		FEM 3107 Queer Theories	3 Units
POL 3124 The Politics of Security		FEM 3108 Indigenous Feminisms	3 Units
POL 3175 Ecopolitics		FEM 3109 Feminism, Animality and Posthumanism	3 Units
POL 3177 Politics, Social Movements and Globalization		FEM 4310 Feminism and Transnationalism	3 Units
POL 3178 Canadian Foreign Policy and North American Relations			
POL 3179 International Organizations and Global Governance			

FEM 4320	Anti-Colonial and Anti-Racist Feminisms	3 Units
FEM 4330	Gender, Identity and Embodiment	3 Units
FRA 3530	La littérature et les minorités sexuelles	3 Units
FRA 3532	Théories et critiques féministes	3 Units
HIS 4182	Seminar in Women's History	3 Units
PAP 3325	Gender and Public Policy	3 Units
POL 3123	Gender Studies and Feminist Theories in International Relations	3 Units
POL 3126	Gender and Politics	3 Units
POL 4163	Sexual and Gender Diversity Politics	3 Units
POL 4180	Feminist Political Thought	3 Units
PSY 3121	Psychology of Women and Gender	3 Units
SOC 3306	Gender, Capitalism, and Imperialism	3 Units
SOC 4314	Gender Relations, Development and Globalization	3 Units
SRS 3163	Women in Early Christianity	3 Units
SRS 3165	Gender and Religion	3 Units
TSO 3520	Identités trans et non binaires, sexualités marginalisées et travail social	3 Units
TSO 3703	Intervention féministe	3 Units