JAMES MADISON COLLEGE

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100 Freshmen Success Seminar
Fall. 1(1-0) R: Open to freshmen in the James Madison College or in the James Madison-No Major.
Exploration of academic, social, personal and career decisions that students face in college, with a primary focus on the first year and the James Madison College experience.

111 Identity and Community: An Approach to Writing I
Fall. 4(4-0) R: Open to undergraduate students in the James Madison College or approval of college.
Identity and community in American and cross-cultural contexts. Influences of family, education, work, religion, gender, race, class and/or sexuality on identity and community. Critical reading and analytical writing and public speaking.

112 Identity and Community: An Approach to Writing II
Spring. 4(4-0) P: MC 111 R: Open to students in the James Madison College.

181 Introduction to Science, Technology, the Environment and Public Policy
Fall. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Fisheries and Wildlife and Lyman Briggs. Administered by Fisheries and Wildlife.
Relation of science and technology to ethics and public policy. Environmental law and public policy. Managing fish, water and wildlife resources at state, national, and international levels. Science and technology in developing countries. Impacts of military technology on environmental policy.

201 Introduction to the Study of Public Affairs I
Fall. 4(4-0) R: Open to undergraduate students in the James Madison College. Approval of college.
Interdisciplinary exploration of enduring issues and conflicts in American and international public affairs. Historical, social science, and comparative approaches.

202 Introduction to the Study of Public Affairs II
Spring. 4(4-0) P: (MC 201)
Continued interdisciplinary exploration of enduring issues and conflicts in American and international public affairs. Historical, social science, and comparative approaches.

220 International Relations I: World Politics and International Security
Fall. 4(3-0) R: Open to sophomores or juniors or seniors in the James Madison College.
Evolution of the contemporary international system. Theories, explanations, and comparisons of actions and interactions of state and non-state actors. Causes of war and peace.

221 International Relations II: The Politics of International Economic Relations
Spring. 4(3-0) P: MC 220
Theories and policy issues in international political economy. Analysis of trade, money and finance, technology, transnational corporations, debt and environment. Globalization, hegemonic power, international regimes.

230 Cultures and Politics in Comparative Perspective
Fall. 4(3-0) R: Open to sophomores or juniors or seniors in the James Madison College.
Interdisciplinary and comparative approaches to analysis of culture and politics. Whole culture, structuralist, post structuralist, and interpretive theories of culture. Analysis of the relationship of political regimes, cultural diversity, identity, and representation, and case studies.

231 Cultures and Politics in Transnational Perspective
Spring. 4(3-0) R: Open to sophomores or juniors or seniors in the James Madison College.

270 Classical Republicanism
Fall. 4(3-0) R: Open to sophomores or juniors or seniors in the James Madison College.
Theory and practice of popular government in classical Greece and Rome. Rebirth of such forms in the cities and monarchies of Medieval and Renaissance Europe.

271 Constitutionalism and Democracy
Spring. 4(3-0) P: MC 270
Origins and development of liberal constitutionalism and its democratization. Theory and practice of the modern state, especially the American variant.

272 Political Theory and Political Issues
Spring, Summer. 4(3-0) A student may earn a maximum of 8 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open to sophomores or juniors or seniors in the James Madison College.
Selected issues in political theory or specific political problems. Topics vary.

280 Social Theory and Social Relations
Fall. 4(3-0) R: Open to sophomores or juniors or seniors in the James Madison College.
Classical and contemporary theories of social structure, intergroup process, inequality, and social change. Class, ethnicity, race, gender, social stratification, social mobility and conflict.

281 Immigrants, Minorities, and American Pluralism
Spring. 4(3-0) R: Open to sophomores or juniors or seniors in the James Madison College or approval of college.
Comparative social history of American peoples, focused on immigrants and ethnic and racial minorities. Comparisons of patterns of adjustment, intergroup relations, and politics.

290 Special Topics
Fall, Spring, Summer. 4(3-0) A student may earn a maximum of 8 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open to sophomores or juniors or seniors in the James Madison College or approval of college.
Selected topics in public affairs including issues in international relations, political theory and constitutional democracy, social relations and policy, and comparative cultures and politics.

293 Methods for Strategic Analysis in Public Affairs
Fall of even years. 4(3-0) P: (MTH 110 or MTH 116 or MTH 112 or MTH 114 or MTH 124 or MTH 132 or STT 200) or designated score on Mathematics Placement test.
Basic methods of strategic analysis and game theory. Applications and case studies in international relations, politics, political economy, and social relations.

295 Research Design and Quantitative Analysis in Public Policy
Fall, Spring. 4(3-0) R: Completion of University Mathematics requirement. Not open to students with credit in PLS 201 or SOC 281.
Design and execution of research in public policy analysis and evaluation. Critical evaluation of data and arguments. Data collection, hypothesis testing, survey of measures of association and evaluation.

299 Independent Study
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 4 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 8 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open to undergraduate students. Approval of college.
Individual reading and research under faculty direction.

300 Collaborative Study
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 2 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 4 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Approval of college.
Group reading, research or simulations under faculty direction.

319 Asian American History
Spring. 4(3-0) Interdepartmental with History. Administered by James Madison College. R: Not open to freshmen or sophomores.
Survey of Asian American history from mid-nineteenth century to present. Analysis of shared and different experiences of the Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Filipino, Vietnamese, Hmong, and East Indian peoples who have come to the United States.

320 Politics, Society and Economy in the Third World
Fall. 4(3-0) P: (MC 221 or MC 231 or MC 281) and Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement.
Politics of social and economic change. Policies and strategies of development and of state and nation building in Third World countries. Impact of international political, security, and economic structures on the process of state and nation building in the Third World.

321 The Cold War: Culture, Politics and Foreign Policy
Spring of odd years. 4(3-0) P: (MC 220 or MC 231) and completion of Tier I writing requirement.
Cultural representations to explore the Cold War’s balance of power politics and domestic consequences.
322 International Security
Spring of odd years. 4(3-0) P: MC 220
Analysis of selected classic and/or contemporary theories and issues in international security, which could include humanitarian intervention, human security, weapons of mass destruction, ethnic and religious conflict, environmental security, terrorism and changing ways of warfare.

323 Japanese Foreign Policy
Spring of even years. 4(3-0) P: (MC 221) and completion of Tier I writing requirement
Evolution of Japanese foreign policy. Foreign policy decision-making structures and processes and domestic and international determinants of foreign policy.

324A Regional Politics, Cooperation, and Conflict in the Middle East
Spring, Summer. 4(3-0) P: (MC 220 or PLS 160) or completion of Tier I writing require-
ment RB: MC 221 or concurrently
Sources of conflict and cooperation in the Middle East through case studies such as the Arab-Israeli conflict. Intraplstate, regional, and global factors.

324B Regional Politics, Cooperation, and Conflict in Sub-Saharan Africa
Fall of even years. 4(3-0) P: (MC 220 or PLS 160) or completion of Tier I writing re-
quirement RB: (MC 221 or concurrently) or MC 221
Domestic and international politics of sub-Saharan African countries. Conflict and cooperation among states of the region. Government policies to promote security, democracy, and growth.

324C Regional Politics, Cooperation, and Conflict in Latin America and the Caribbean
Fall of even years. 4(3-0) P: (MC 220 or PLS 160) or completion of Tier I writing re-
quirement RB: (MC 221) or approval of col-
lege
Domestic and international politics of Latin American or Caribbean countries. Conflict and cooperation among states of the region. Government policies to promote security, democracy, and growth.

324D Regional Politics, Cooperation, and Conflict in Asia
Fall of odd years. 4(3-0) P: (MC 220 or PLS 160) or completion of Tier I writing require-
ment RB: (MC 221) or approval of college.
Sources and consequences of conflict and cooperation in Asia. Conflict and cooperation among states of the region. Government policies to promote security, democracy, and growth.

325 State and Society in Comparative Perspective
Spring. 4(3-0) P: (MC 221 or MC 241 or MC 271 or MC 230 or MC 281) and Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement
Comparison of political systems and socioeconomic structures in capitalist and state-socialist societies. Political history, institutions, culture, and current policy issues.

326 U.S. Foreign Policy
Fall, Spring. 4(3-0) P: (MC 221) and comple-
tion of Tier I writing requirement SA: MC 323A
U.S. foreign policy decision-making structures and processes and domestic and international determinants of foreign policy. Evolution of U.S. foreign policy.

327 The Comparative Analysis of Foreign Policy
Spring. 4(3-0) P: Completion of Tier I Writ-
ing Requirement Not open to students with credit in PLS 362.
Concepts, processes and domestic and external determinants of foreign policy decision-making in several foreign countries. Comparative public policy, including security and foreign economic policies.

328 Russian Foreign Policy
Spring of even years. 4(3-0) P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement RB: (MC 220 and PLS 160) and PLS 358 SA: MC 323B
Evolution of Russian and Soviet foreign policy. Foreign policy decision-making structures and processes and domestic and international determinants of foreign policy.

329 European Security: Challenges and Strategies
Summer. 4(3-0) P: (MC 221) and comple-
tion of Tier I writing requirement
Evolution of challenges facing Europe in post-cold war period. Critical examination of alternative policies and structures proposed in response to these challenges.

330 Encounters With Post-Communism
Spring of odd years. 4(3-0) P: (MC 230 or MC 231 or MC 220) or approval of college
Evolution of challenges facing Europe in post-cold war period. Critical examination of alternative policies and structures proposed in response to these challenges.

331 Literature and Politics in a Comparative Perspective
Fall, Spring. 4(3-0) P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement R: Open to undergrad-
uate students in the James Madison College.
Comparative examination of literary representations of politics and political themes involving different national literatures, literary genres and/or other narrative forms.

332 Israeli Politics, Cultures and Society
Spring of even years. 4 credits. P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement R: Not open to freshmen.
Analysis of Israeli politics and society. Relationship between society and: social and ethnic cleavages, culture and politics, political institutions and parties, and democracy and the Jewish nature of the state. Israel's foreign policy and its influence of foreign policy on shifting nationalism and political contesta-
tions.

333 Global Public Health
Fall. 4(3-0) P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement
Comprehensive, multidisciplinary and policy-oriented approach to global public health. Exami-
nation of infectious disease, as well as case studies.

340 Economic Growth
Fall, Spring. 4(3-0) P: (EC 202 or EC 252H) or completion of Tier I writing requirement
R: Open to students in the James Madison College or approval of college.

341 Politics and Markets
Spring. 4(3-0) P: EC 201 or EC 251H SA:
MC 241
Comparative study of economic organization via firms, markets, and governments. Political economy approaches to evaluation of the firm, market, and government organization. Normative principles for evaluating firm, market, and government organiza-
tion.

342 Social Economics of the Workplace: Class, Race, and Gender
Spring. 4(3-0) P: ((EC 201 or concurrently) or (EC 251H or concurrently)) or completion of Tier I writing requirement R: Open to stu-
dents in the James Madison College or approval of college.
Labor market analysis of wages and employment. Class, gender, and race in the workplace. Productiv-
ity, income distribution, and living standards. Sys-
tems of work organization. Impact of globalization and new technology. The changing role of unions.

343 Urban and Regional Development
Spring of odd years. 4(3-0) P: (EC 201 or EC 251H) or completion of Tier I writing re-
quirement R: Open to undergraduate students in the James Madison College.
Spatial dimensions of economic growth and development. Socioeconomic structure of urban and metropolitan areas. Business location and economic development. Design and impact of public policies.

344 Comparative Perspective
Fall. 4(3-0) P: (EC 201 or EC 251H) or completion of Tier I writing requirement
Survey and comparison of major schools of legal-economic thought, and their implications for policy. Economic impacts of law and legal institutions.

350 Evolution and Society
Spring of even years. 4(3-0) P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement RB: Basic knowledge of biology and US history.
The reciprocal relationship between evolutionary science and American culture. Social, political, and economic influences that shape biological scientists' descriptions of evolutionary change and their claims about evolutionary influence on cultures.

351 Science and Social Policy
Fall of even years. 4(3-0) P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement
Role that scientific research on group differences plays in creating and maintaining social stereotypes and policy. Practical implications of scientific re-
search, sources of bias among scientific investiga-
tors, and the role of scientists in creating and chang-
ing stereotypes and in attacking social prejudice.
358 Politics of the U.S.S.R. and Its Successor States  
Spring. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Political Science. Administered by Political Science.
Political history, communist ideology, state institutions, and political processes in the Soviet Union and its successor states.

361 Political Economy and Comparative Public Policymaking  
Spring of odd years. 4(3-0) P: (MC 221 or MC 241) and completion of Tier I writing requirement.
Use of political economy approaches to explain public policies and policymaking processes in comparative perspective.

362 Public International Law  
Spring of even years. 4(3-0) P: (MC 221) and completion of Tier I writing requirement.
Impact of international law on social, political and economic change in the international system. Military conflict, conflict resolution, economic prosperity and redistribution, human rights and ecology.
Origin and operation of international laws.

363 Global Governance  
Spring of odd years. 4(3-0) P: (MC 221) and completion of Tier I writing requirement.
Not open to students with credit in PLS 364.
Impact of international institutions on social, political, and economic change in the international system.
Evolution and devolution of global governance in international trade and finance, the environment, and military security.

364 Policy Evaluation  
Spring. 4(3-0) P: ((EC 201 or concurrently) or (EC 251H or concurrently)) and ((EC 202 or concurrently) or (EC 252H or concurrently) or (MC 295) or concurrently) and (PLS 313).
Economic concepts and analytic techniques for the design and evaluation of public policies.
Political environment of policy formation and implementation.
Basic data analysis. Application of concepts and techniques to selected government policies.

366 Film, History and Nation  
Spring. 4(3-0) P: (MC 221 or MC 230 or MC 231) or approval of college.
Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement: Not open to juniors or seniors.
Relation of film and cinema to nationalism, nation building, and national identity construction.
Relation of film to history and historical representation.
Role of domestic and international feature films in the formation of local, national, and global identities.

367 Global Cities and Urbanism  
Spring of even years. 4 credits. P: (MC 280 and MC 281) or (MC 230 and MC 231) R: Not open to freshmen.
An interdisciplinary approach to the dynamic global system of cities and the local wave of urban life embedded in global structures.
Cities as crucibles of power, production, and development at the neighborhood, city and regional levels.

369 Global Issues in Citizenship (W)  
Fall of odd years. 4(4-0) P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement: Open to undergraduates in the James Madison College or approval of college.
Historical and political theory of citizenship, including citizenship laws and policies; classical, liberal and republican perspectives; gender and race; national, postnational, and transnational citizenship.

370 Radical Challenges to Liberal Democracy  
Fall. 4(3-0) P: (MC 271) or completion of Tier I writing requirement.
Criticism of constitutionalism and liberal democracy.
Theory and practice of 19th and early 20th century attempts to perfect or transcend bourgeois life through radical reform or revolution.

371 Beyond Liberal Democracy? New Directions in Political Theory  
Spring. 4(3-0) P: (MC 370) and completion of Tier I writing requirement.
The contemporary status of liberal democracy.
Theory and practice of late 20th century attempts to perfect, transcend, or undermine liberal democracy in light of crisis of rationalism.

372 Comparative Black Political Thought  
Spring. 4(3-0) P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement: Not open to freshmen.
Comparative examination of the political thought of blacks in the United States, Africa, and elsewhere in the African Diaspora.

373A Constitutionalism: The Supreme Court  
Fall. 4(3-0) P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement: RB: MC 271 R: Open to juniors or seniors in the James Madison College or approval of college.
Theory of constitutional democracy through examination of selected Supreme Court cases.
History of the Supreme Court and principles of constitutionalism.

373B Constitutionalism: The Presidency  
Spring of odd years. 4(3-0) P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement: RB: MC 271 R: Open to juniors or seniors in the James Madison College or approval of college.
The Presidency in American constitutional democracy.
Origins and development of the executive, constitutional issues, presidential practice.

373C Constitutionalism: Congress  
Spring of odd years. 4(3-0) P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement: RB: MC 271 R: Open to juniors or seniors in the James Madison College or approval of college.
Congress in American constitutional democracy.
Origins and development of the legislative branch, constitutional issues, and legislating practice in Congress.

375 Contemporary Developments in American Politics  
Spring. 4(3-0) P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement: Open to juniors or seniors in the James Madison College or approval of college.
Contemporary developments related to persistent issues of American governance. Normative, empirical, and historical inquiry into topics such as the role of popular opinion, policy capacities and democratic and deliberative practice. Examination of case studies.
Selected policy problems.

376 Modern Political Thought in the Muslim World  
Fall. 4(3-0) R: Completion of Tier I Writing requirement: Open to undergraduates in the James Madison College or approval of college.
Major intellectual transformations in the Muslim world from 19th century to the present.
Important internal and external influences.

377 Culture, Politics and Post-Colonialism  
Spring. 4(3-0) P: (MC 221 or MC 271 or MC 231 or MC 281) and Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement: International politics and power. Relations of colonialism and post-colonialism.
Contemporary repercussions. History, literature, culture, and political theory.

378 Law and Social Groups  
Spring of odd years. 4(3-0) P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement: Open to juniors or seniors in the James Madison College or approval of college.
Relationship between fundamental law and the activity of social groups in the American context.
Selected Supreme Court cases examined for their impact on the free exercise and equal protection of social groups.

380 Social Policy  
Fall. 4(3-0) P: ((MC 280 or MC 281) or completion of Tier I writing requirement) and ((EC 201 or concurrently) or (EC 251H or concurrently)) and (EC 202 or concurrently) or (EC 252H or concurrently) R: Completion of one semester methodology course.
Application of social theory and methods to analysis of contemporary U.S. social policy.
Competing explanations, current debates.
Civil rights, education, employment, family, immigration, poverty, social welfare.

381 American Politics and Equality  
Spring. 4(3-0) P: Completion of Tier I writing requirement: R: Open to juniors or seniors in the James Madison College or approval of college.
Controversies over equality in American thought, politics, constitutional practice, and public policy.
Case studies.

382 Social Movements  
Fall of even years. 4(3-0) P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement: R: Open to juniors or seniors in the James Madison College or approval of college.
Theories and case studies of social movements in comparative perspective.
Origins, development, membership, organizational dynamics, social control, political effects.

383 African American Politics  
Fall. 4(3-0) P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement: Not open to freshmen.
Contemporary African American politics. National and local politics, alternative political strategies and public policies.
Advancement of African-American community.

384 Metropolitan Society  
Fall. 4(3-0) P: (MC 280 or MC 281) and ((EC 201 or concurrently) or (EC 251H or concurrently) or (EC 202 or concurrently) or (EC 252H or concurrently)) R: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement: Restructuring of urban and metropolitan society and social relations in 20th century America.
Contemporary patterns of social life, relations, and politics in post-industrial metropolis.
Senior Seminar in Political Theory and Constitutional Democracy (W)
Fall, Spring. 5(4-0) A student may earn a maximum of 10 credits in all enrollments for this course. 
P: (MC 371) and completion of Tier I writing requirement R: Open to seniors in the James Madison College or approval of college. SA: MC 495

Senior Seminar in Social Relations (W)
Fall, Spring. 5(4-0) A student may earn a maximum of 10 credits in all enrollments for this course. 
P: (MC 380) and completion of Tier I writing requirement R: Open to seniors in the James Madison College or approval of college.
American social relations and policy. Theoretical issues. Analysis of key thinkers. Case studies.