



**POSC Department Minor Requirement Guidelines for
JMU Washington Semester Courses**

MINOR: Political Science

1. **POSC 351W** (Topics in American Politics) may count as the upper-level American government course. *Offered only in the fall.*
2. **POSC 361W** (Topics in International Relations) may count as the upper-level International Relations course in Option One. *Offered only in the spring.*
3. **POSC 301W** or **INTA 301W** (The Washington Experience) may count as the miscellaneous elective.
4. **POSC 495W** (Washington Semester Internship) may count as the miscellaneous elective.

MINOR: Political Communication

1. **POSC 351W** (Topics in American Politics) may be substituted for: (1) POSC 472 if the course topic is Media and Politics (2) POSC 365 if the topic focuses on U.S. elections, or (3) one of the two electives if the course focuses on a different PCOM-related topic (e.g., The U.S. Congress). *Offered only in the fall.*
2. **POSC 493W** (Washington Semester Internship in Political Communication), **POSC 495W** (Washington Semester Internship), or **PPA 496W** (Washington Semester Internship in Public Management) will meet the internship requirement as long as the internship entails exposure to and/or experience with political communication.

MINOR: Public Policy and Administration

PPA 496W (Washington Semester Internship in Public Management) may meet the capstone internship requirement if either (1) you intern with a government agency, non-profit organization, or the office of an elected official or committee (e.g., House or Senate) OR (2) the internship entails exposure to and/or experience with public policy. *Subject to approval by the PPA coordinator.*