Law, Values, and Policy Minor

Law, Values, and Policy is an interdisciplinary minor involving the Departments of Political Science, Philosophy, Sociology, and others.

Participation in modern society requires an interdisciplinary grasp of issues. Ordinary party politics, structural changes to either state or federal government, changes in society, alterations in law, or increased or decreased protections for racial, gender, or sexual orientation categories implicate issues of values, economics, and social interaction as well as law. Laws affect and change society. Changes in society drive changes in the law and policy.

The minor in Law, Values, and Policy will provide students with an overview of the theories and analytical techniques of moral philosophy as well as the insights of economics, political science, history, and sociology on the desirability and consequences of different legal regimes, our current legal structures, and legal change.

The utility of the minor in Law, Values, and Policy (LVP) is not just the liberal arts objective of a broad education enabling full and knowledgeable participation in society, but also a sound foundation for a professional career in any field whether law, liberal arts, or science.

The LVP minor provides a breadth of perspectives that would serve well for those students who intend to enter the legal profession or any of the professions that have a substantial interface with legal regulations. It would also provide a good background in the social sciences to enable graduate study in political science, sociology, philosophy, or history.

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Minor in Law, Values, and Policy (18 hours)

Requirements: Students complete a Law, Values, and Policy Minor by completing a minimum of eighteen hours in approved courses with a minimum of 12 of the 18 hours taken in residence, and at least nine hours in advanced courses.

- Students must take at least two courses from the “Values” category.
- Students must take at least one course from the “Political and Public Communications” category.
- Students must take at least one course from the “Social Theory” category.
- Students must take at least two courses from the “Legal Issues and Policy” category.
- Students must maintain a GPA of 2.5 or better in their minor courses.
- A student may not use more than six hours of work in the LVP Minor to satisfy requirements for a major field and/or any other minor. **Student must have four of the six courses not from their major field of study.**
- Students taking a course that appears in two categories can only use the course to fulfill requirements one category.

VALUES [Select TWO [2] courses]

| AAS 3354 Nationalist Thought and Ethics in the US | PHIL 3357: Punishment |
| Comm 4303 Communication Law & Ethics | Phil 3358 Classics in Hist of Ethics |
| Hist 4355 Topics in the History of Law and Society | PHIL 3375: Law, Society, and morality |
| Hon 3306 Health and Human Rights | POLC 4342 Political Economy and Ethics of Market Processes |
| PHIL 1321: Logic I | POLS 3346 Human rights |
| PHIL 2321: Logic II | POLS 3350 Public Law and Political Theory |
| PHIL 3350: Ethics | POLS 3354 Law and Society |
| PHIL 3351: Contemporary Moral Issues | POLS 3359 Criminal Justice |
| PHIL 3355: Political Philosophy | Tech 1313 Impact of Modern Technology on Society |

POLITICAL AND PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS [Select ONE [1] course]

| COMM 1332: Fundamentals of Public Speaking |
| Comm 3356 Business and Professional Communication |
| Comm 4372 Media, Power and Society |
| ENGL 3340: Advanced Composition |
| MARK 3337: Professional Selling |
| POLS 3381 Political Psychology |
| PSYC 2319: Introduction to Social Psychology [Psyc 2380 prior to Fall 2021] |
| SPAN 3307: Public Speaking in Spanish |

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### SOCIAL THEORY [Select ONE[1] course ]

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### LEGAL ISSUES AND POLICIES [Select 2]

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