

Law & Constitutional Studies Major

Learning Objectives

1. To demonstrate knowledge about the structure of the American legal system, and how it affects law, politics and public policy.

Performance indicators:

- POLS 3120 – Law and Politics course grades.
- POLS 5130 Law and Policy or POLS 5140 Law, Politics, and War grades.
- IDEA evaluations for POLS 3120, 5130, and 5140.

2. To demonstrate understanding of fundamental principles and theories of American constitutional law and politics.

Performance indicators:

- POLS 4120 – American Constitutional Law course grades.
- POLS 4130 – Constitutional Theory course grades.
- IDEA evaluations for POLS 4120 and POLS 4130.

3. To demonstrate an ability to critically evaluate ideas and arguments relevant to the founding of American constitutionalism.

Performance assessment:

- POLS 3320 – The Foundations of American Constitutionalism course grades.
- POLS 4130 – Constitutional Theory course grades.
- POLS 4140 Political Organizations course grades.
- IDEA evaluations for POLS 3320, 4130, and 4140.

4. To demonstrate an ability to communicate effectively orally and in writing in the context of addressing significant issues in American law and politics.

Performance indicators:

- POLS 3120 – Law and Politics course grades.
- IDEA evaluations for POLS 3120.