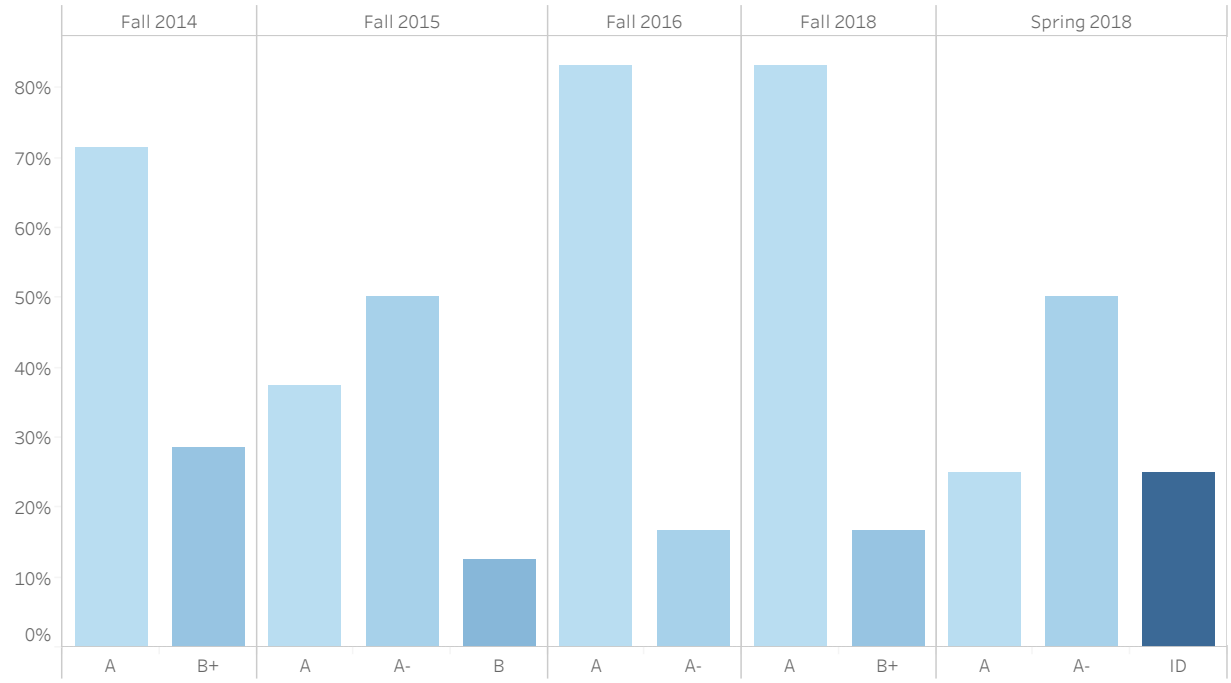
Political Science Graduate Program Learning Objectives

Understand research design and methods important to the field.. | Demonstrate familiarity with scholarly literature in.. | Demonstrate familiarity with scholarly literature in.. | Effectively apply critical thinking and analytical skills to ad.. | Effectively apply critical thinking and analytical skills to ad.. | Write clearly and cogently about political questions..

Understand research design and methods important to the field and use them to conduct research about significant political questions.

Grade Distribution for POLS 6010 - Research Design



IDEA Results for POLS 6010

1. To increase factual knowledge about the American political system

	Much Higher	Higher	Lower
2013 Fall	64		
2014 Fall		60	
2015 Fall			38
2018 Fall	64		

3. To increase thinking, problem-solving, and decision-making skills

	Much Higher	Similar	Lower	Higher
2013 Fall	70			
2014 Fall		50		
2015 Fall			38	
2018 Fall				57

11. To increase skill in analyzing and critically evaluating ideas, arguments, and points of view

	Higher	Similar
2013 Fall	56	
2014 Fall		53
2015 Fall		51
2018 Fall	61	

4. Developing specific skills, competencies, and points of view needed by professionals in the field most closely related to this course

	Much Higher	Similar	Lower	Higher
2013 Fall	65			
2014 Fall		49		
2015 Fall			38	
2018 Fall				59

12. Acquiring an interest in learning more by asking questions and seeking answers

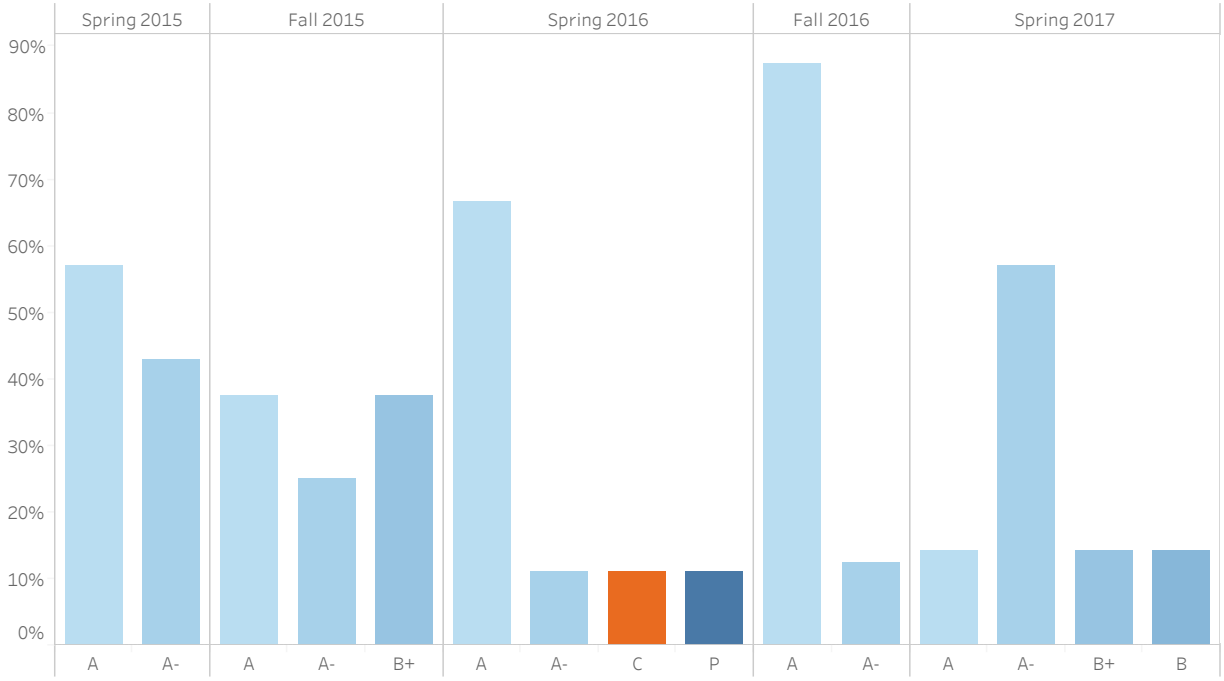
	Much Higher	Similar
2013 Fall	63	
2014 Fall		54
2015 Fall		53
2018 Fall		54

Political Science Graduate Program Learning Objectives

Understand research design and methods important to the field.. | **Demonstrate familiarity with scholarly literature in..** | Demonstrate familiarity with scholarly literature in.. | Effectively apply critical thinking and analytical skills to ad.. | Effectively apply critical thinking and analytical skills to ad.. | Write clearly and cogently about political questions..

Demonstrate familiarity with scholarly literature in the student's specific field of inquiry. (APPT Track)

Grade Distribution for American Politics and Political Theory Track



IDEA Results for American Politics and Political Theory Track

1. To increase factual knowledge about the American political system

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar	Lower
2013 Fall			50	
2015 Spring				45
2015 Fall		57		
2016 Fall	62			
2017 Spring		60		

2. Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2013 Fall			49
2015 Spring			46
2015 Fall		58	
2016 Fall	64		
2017 Spring	66		

11. Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view

	Much Higher	Higher	Simil..	Lower
2013 Fall			48	
2015 Spring				44
2015 Fall	67			
2016 Fall		59		
2017 Spring	62			

3. Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar	Lower	Much Lower
2013 Fall				41	
2015 Spring					36
2015 Fall		58			
2016 Fall			54		
2017 Spring	64				

8. Developing skill in expressing myself orally or in writing

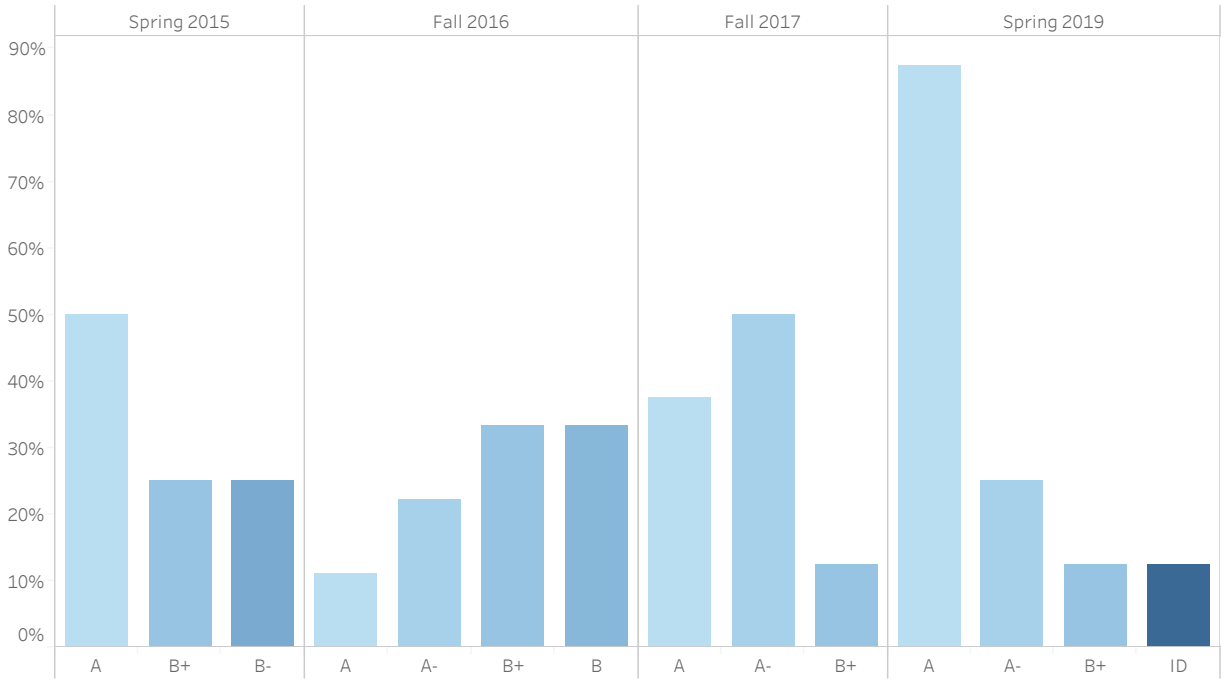
	Much Higher	Higher	Similar	Lower
2013 Fall				42
2015 Spring			49	
2015 Fall	69			
2016 Fall		59		
2017 Spring	62			

Political Science Graduate Program Learning Objectives

Understand research design and methods important to the field.. | Demonstrate familiarity with scholarly literature in.. | **Demonstrate familiarity with scholarly literature in..** | Effectively apply critical thinking and analytical skills to ad.. | Effectively apply critical thinking and analytical skills to ad.. | Write clearly and cogently about political questions..

Demonstrate familiarity with scholarly literature in the student's specific field of inquiry. (IS Track)

Grade Distribution for International Security Track



IDEA Results for International Security Track

1. To increase factual knowledge about the American political system

	Much Higher	Similar
2012 Spring		50
2013 Fall	65	
2015 Spring	64	
2016 Fall	66	
2017 Fall	70	
2019 Spring	67	

2. Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories

	Much Higher	Similar
2012 Spring		51
2013 Fall	72	
2015 Spring	72	
2016 Fall	67	
2017 Fall	72	
2019 Spring	67	

11. Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view

	Much Higher	Higher
2012 Spring		61
2013 Fall	65	
2015 Spring	64	
2016 Fall	70	
2017 Fall	70	
2019 Spring	65	

3. Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2012 Spring		55	
2013 Fall			50
2015 Spring	63		
2016 Fall	66		
2017 Fall	70		
2019 Spring	68		

8. Developing skill in expressing myself orally or in writing

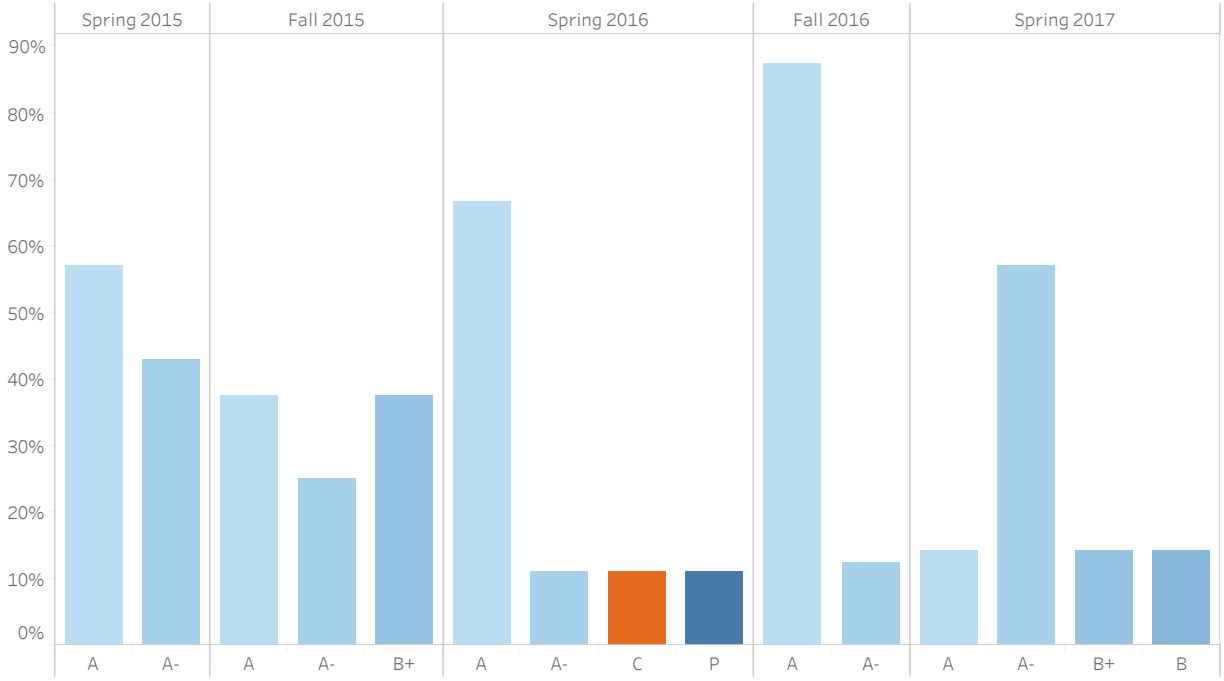
	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2012 Spring		61	
2013 Fall			46
2015 Spring	68		
2016 Fall		59	
2017 Fall	68		
2019 Spring		62	

Political Science Graduate Program Learning Objectives

Understand research design and methods importan.. | Demonstrate familiarity with scholarly literature in.. | Demonstrate familiarity with scholarly literature in.. | **Effectively apply critical thinking and analytical skills to ad..** | Effectively apply critical thinking and analytical skills to ad.. | Write clearly and cogently about political questions, u..

Effectively apply critical thinking and analytical skills to address significant issues in the political world. (APPT Track)

Grade Distribution for American Politics and Political Theory Track



IDEA Results for American Politics and Political Theory Track

1. To increase factual knowledge about the American political system

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar	Lower
2013 Fall			50	
2015 Spring				45
2015 Fall		57		
2016 Fall	62			
2017 Spring		60		

2. Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2013 Fall			49
2015 Spring			46
2015 Fall		58	
2016 Fall	64		
2017 Spring	66		

11. Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view

	Much Higher	Higher	Simil..	Lower
2013 Fall			48	
2015 Spring				44
2015 Fall	67			
2016 Fall		59		
2017 Spring	62			

3. Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar	Lower	Much Lower
2013 Fall				41	
2015 Spring					36
2015 Fall			58		
2016 Fall				54	
2017 Spring	64				

8. Developing skill in expressing myself orally or in writing

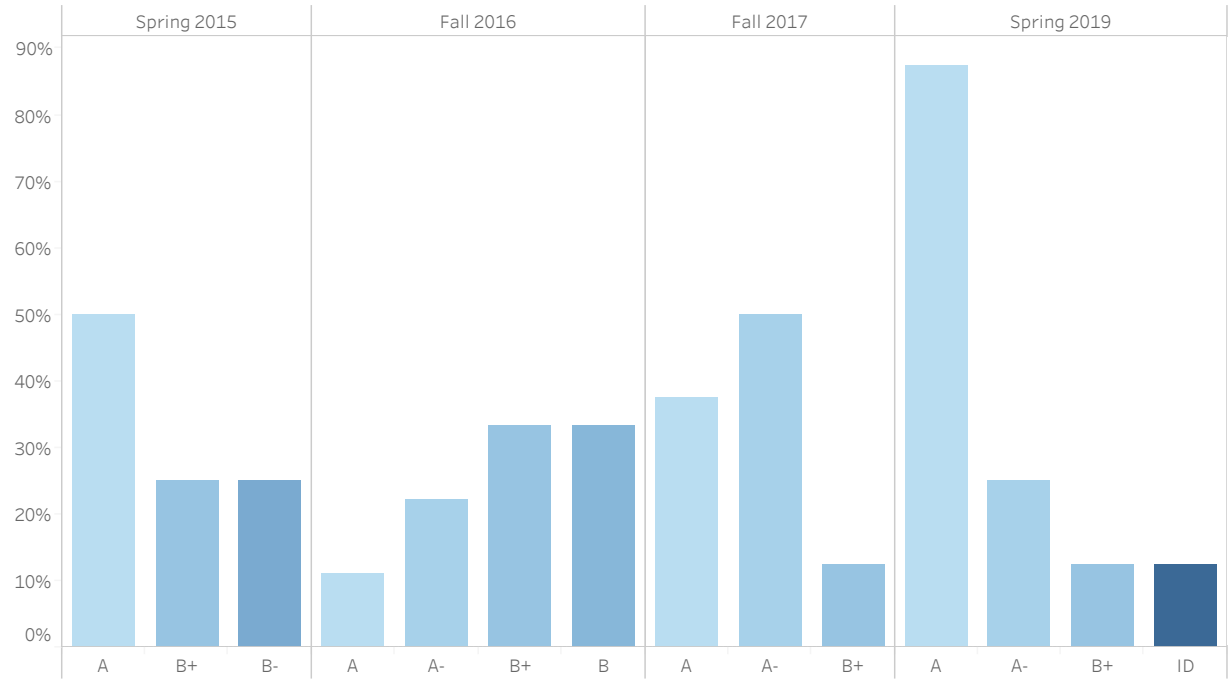
	Much Higher	Higher	Similar	Lower
2013 Fall				42
2015 Spring			49	
2015 Fall	69			
2016 Fall		59		
2017 Spring	62			

Political Science Graduate Program Learning Objectives

Understand research design and methods importan.. | Demonstrate familiarity with scholarly literature in.. | Demonstrate familiarity with scholarly literature in.. | Effectively apply critical thinking and analytical skills to ad.. | **Effectively apply critical thinking and analytical skills to ad..** | Write clearly and cogently about political questions, u..

Effectively apply critical thinking and analytical skills to address significant issues in the political world. (IST Track)

Grade Distribution for International Security Track



IDEA Results for International Security Track

1. To increase factual knowledge about the American political system

	Much Higher	Similar
2012 Spring		50
2013 Fall	65	
2015 Spring	64	
2016 Fall	66	
2017 Fall	70	
2019 Spring	67	

2. Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories

	Much Higher	Similar
2012 Spring		51
2013 Fall	72	
2015 Spring	72	
2016 Fall	67	
2017 Fall	72	
2019 Spring	67	

11. Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view

	Much Higher	Higher
2012 Spring		61
2013 Fall	65	
2015 Spring	64	
2016 Fall	70	
2017 Fall	70	
2019 Spring	65	

3. Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2012 Spring		55	
2013 Fall			50
2015 Spring	63		
2016 Fall	66		
2017 Fall	70		
2019 Spring	68		

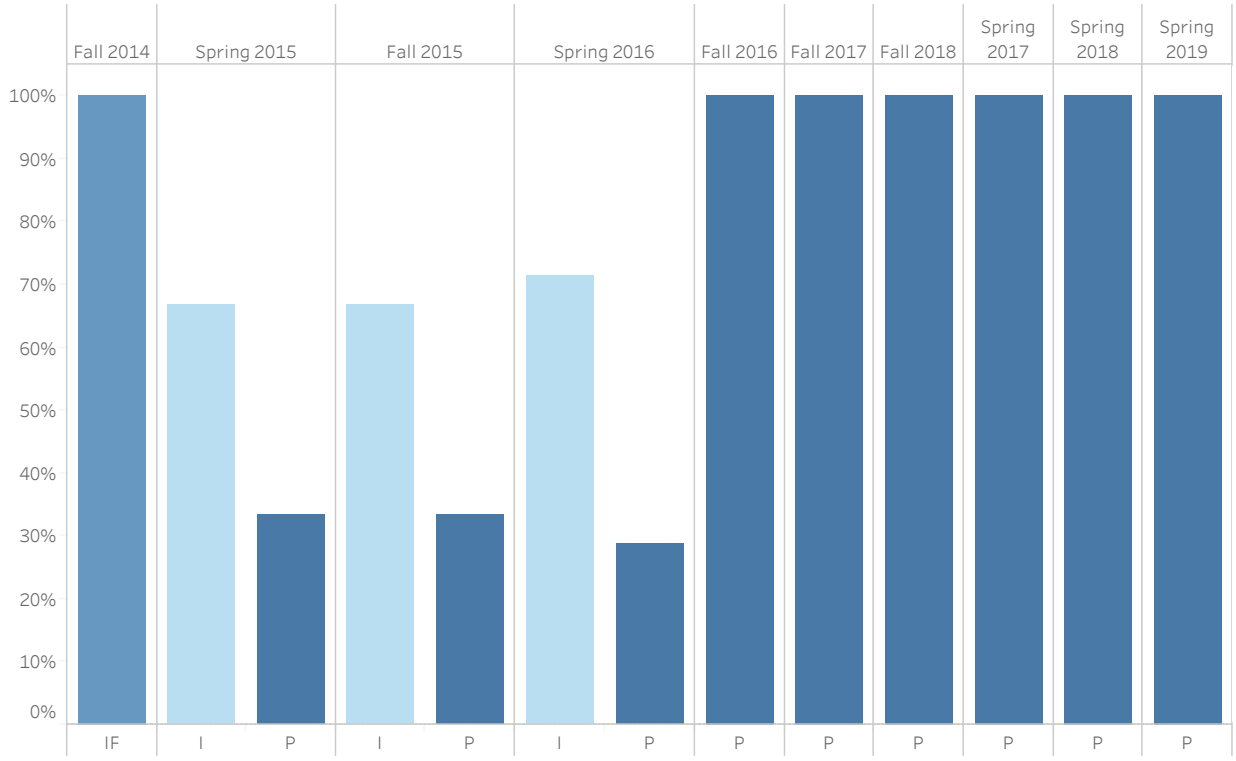
8. Developing skill in expressing myself orally or in writing

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2012 Spring		61	
2013 Fall			46
2015 Spring	68		
2016 Fall		59	
2017 Fall	68		
2019 Spring		62	

Political Science Graduate Program Learning Objectives

Understand research design and methods importan..	Demonstrate familiarity with scholarly literature in..	Demonstrate familiarity with scholarly literature in..	Effectively apply critical thinking and analytical skills to ad..	Effectively apply critical thinking and analytical skills to ad..	Write clearly and cogently about political questions, u..

Write clearly and cogently about political questions, using appropriate language in the discipline, and be able to construct organized and coherent verbal presentations on political topics.

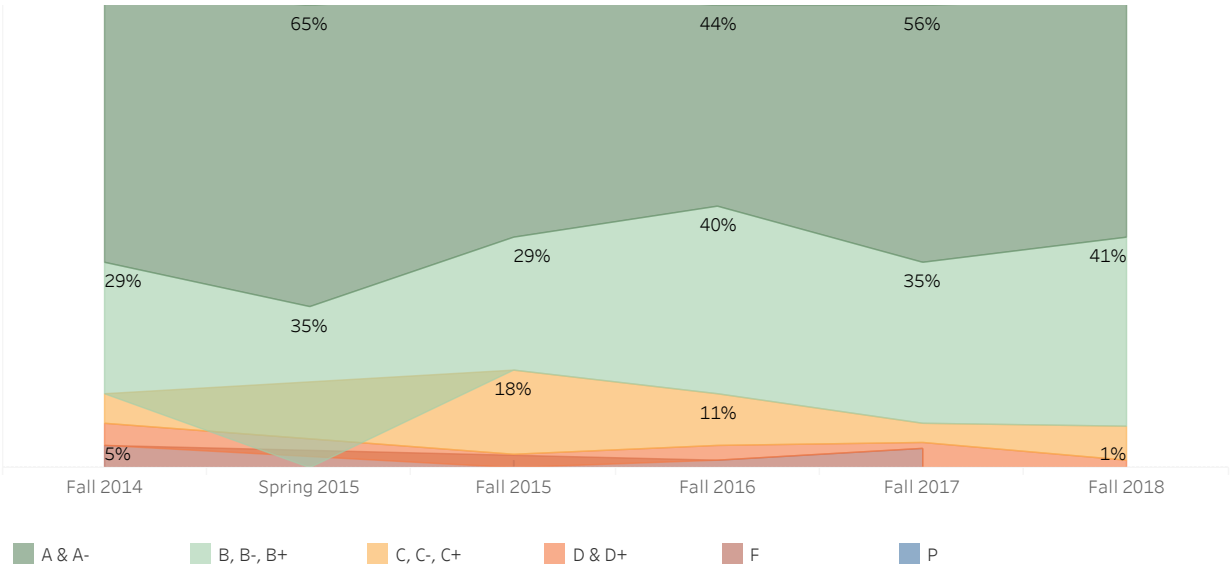


Law & Constitutional Studies Major Learning Objectives

To demonstrate knowledge about the structure of the Amer..	To demonstrate understanding of fundamental principl..	To demonstrate an ability to critically evaluate ideas and ar..	To demonstrate an ability to communicate effectively orally and ..

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

Grade Distribution for POLS 3120, 5130, and 5140



IDEA Results for POLS 3120, 5130, and 5140

1. Gaining factual knowledge (terminology, classifications, methods, trends)

	Much Higher	Higher
2014 Fall		58
2015 Spring		61
2015 Fall	62	
2016 Fall	67	
2017 Fall		61
2018 Fall	63	

3. Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)

	Much Higher	Higher
2014 Fall		56
2015 Spring		61
2015 Fall		59
2016 Fall	64	
2017 Fall		55
2018 Fall		58

11. Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view

	Much Higher	Higher
2014 Fall		61
2015 Spring	63	
2015 Fall	64	
2016 Fall	64	
2017 Fall	65	
2018 Fall	64	

2. Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories

	Much Higher
2014 Fall	62
2015 Spring	63
2015 Fall	65
2016 Fall	68
2017 Fall	63
2018 Fall	66

8. Developing skill in expressing myself orally or in writing

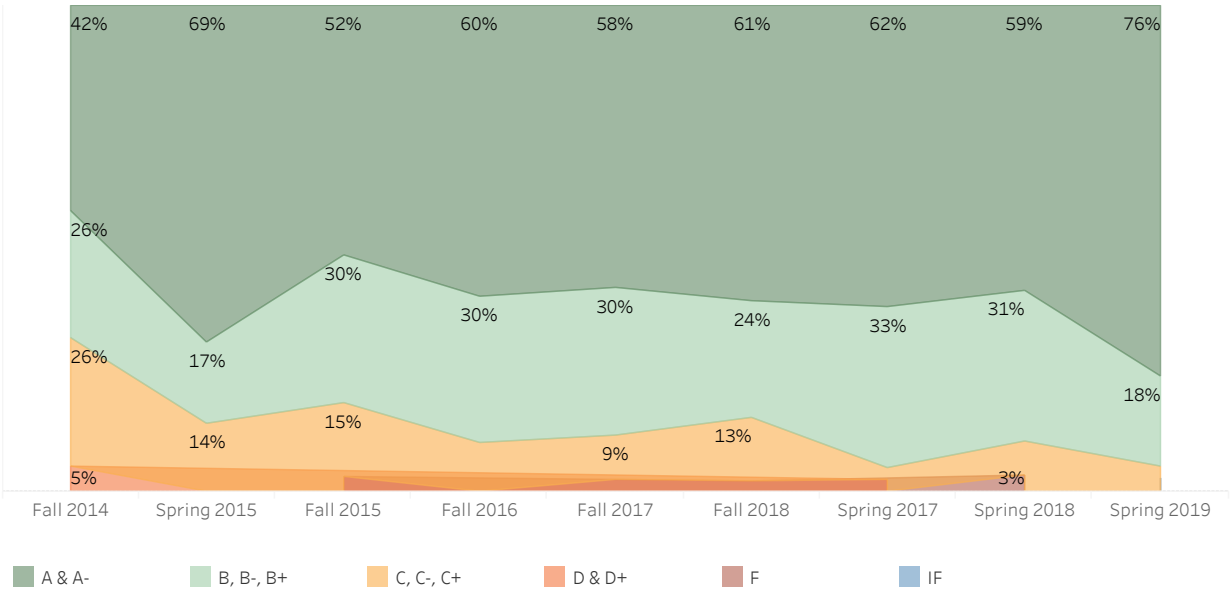
	Similar	Higher
2014 Fall		62
2015 Spring		59
2015 Fall		61
2016 Fall		61
2017 Fall		57
2018 Fall	54	

Law & Constitutional Studies Major Learning Objectives

To demonstrate knowledge about the structure of the Amer.. | **To demonstrate understanding of fundamental principl..** | To demonstrate an ability to critically evaluate ideas and ar.. | To demonstrate an ability to communicate effectively orally and ..

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

Grade Distribution for POLS 4120 and 4130



IDEA Results for POLS 4120 and 4130

1. Gaining factual knowledge (terminology, classifications, methods, trends)

	Much Higher	Higher
2014 Fall		61
2015 Spring	62	
2015 Fall	66	
2016 Fall	69	
2017 Fall	65	
2017 Spring	65	
2018 Fall	63	
2018 Spring	67	
2019 Spring	66	

3. Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)

	Much Higher	Higher
2014 Fall		61
2015 Spring		59
2015 Fall	64	
2016 Fall	68	
2017 Fall	63	
2017 Spring		62
2018 Fall		60
2018 Spring	66	
2019 Spring	67	

11. Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view

	Much Higher	Higher
2014 Fall	65	
2015 Spring	64	
2015 Fall	67	
2016 Fall	64	
2017 Fall	64	
2017 Spring	67	
2018 Fall		62
2018 Spring	65	
2019 Spring	70	

2. Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories

	Much Higher
2014 Fall	64
2015 Spring	65
2015 Fall	67
2016 Fall	70
2017 Fall	66
2017 Spring	68
2018 Fall	65
2018 Spring	67
2019 Spring	67

8. Developing skill in expressing myself orally or in writing

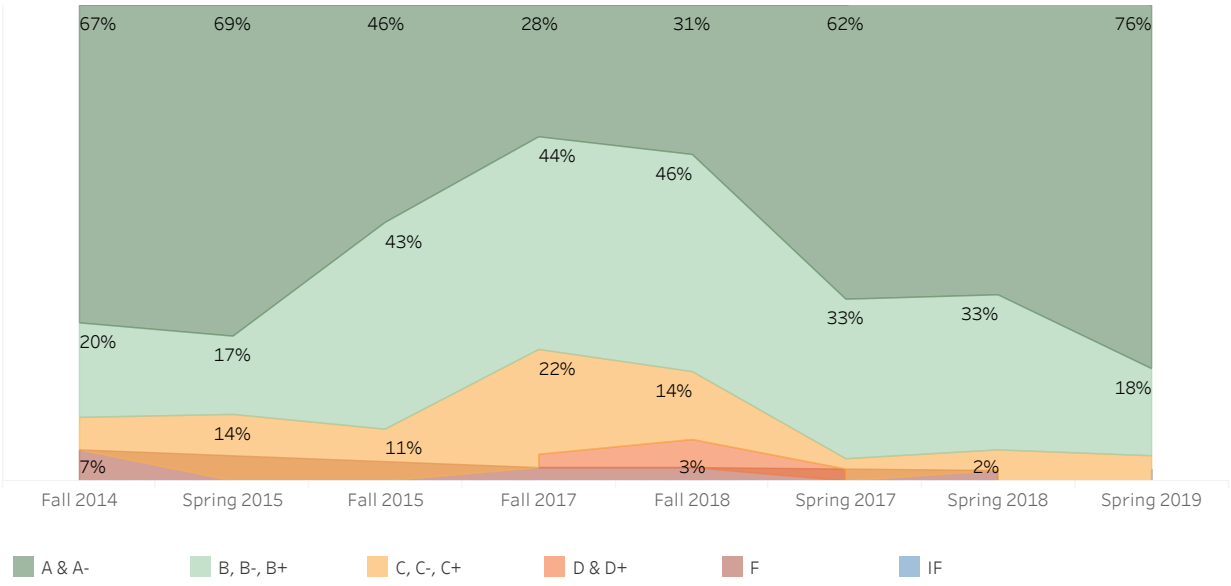
	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2014 Fall	65		
2015 Spring		57	
2015 Fall		58	
2016 Fall		58	
2017 Fall		59	
2017 Spring	65		
2018 Fall			55
2018 Spring	63		
2019 Spring	66		

Law & Constitutional Studies Major Learning Objectives

To demonstrate knowledge about the structure of the Amer.. | To demonstrate understanding of fundamental principl.. | **To demonstrate an ability to critically evaluate ideas and ar..** | To demonstrate an ability to communicate effectively orally and ..

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

Grade Distribution for POLS 3320, 4130, and 4140



IDEA Results for POLS 3320, 4130, and 4140

1. Gaining factual knowledge (terminology, classifications, methods, trends)

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2014 Fall	64		
2015 Spring	62		
2015 Fall		56	
2017 Fall			51
2017 Spring	65		
2018 Fall		57	
2018 Spring	67		
2019 Spring	66		

3. Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2014 Fall	63		
2015 Spring		59	
2015 Fall			49
2017 Fall			53
2017 Spring		62	
2018 Fall		56	
2018 Spring	66		
2019 Spring	67		

11. Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2014 Fall	64		
2015 Spring	64		
2015 Fall			53
2017 Fall		55	
2017 Spring	67		
2018 Fall		61	
2018 Spring	65		
2019 Spring	70		

2. Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2014 Fall	67		
2015 Spring	65		
2015 Fall		56	
2017 Fall			53
2017 Spring	68		
2018 Fall		60	
2018 Spring	67		
2019 Spring	67		

8. Developing skill in expressing myself orally or in writing

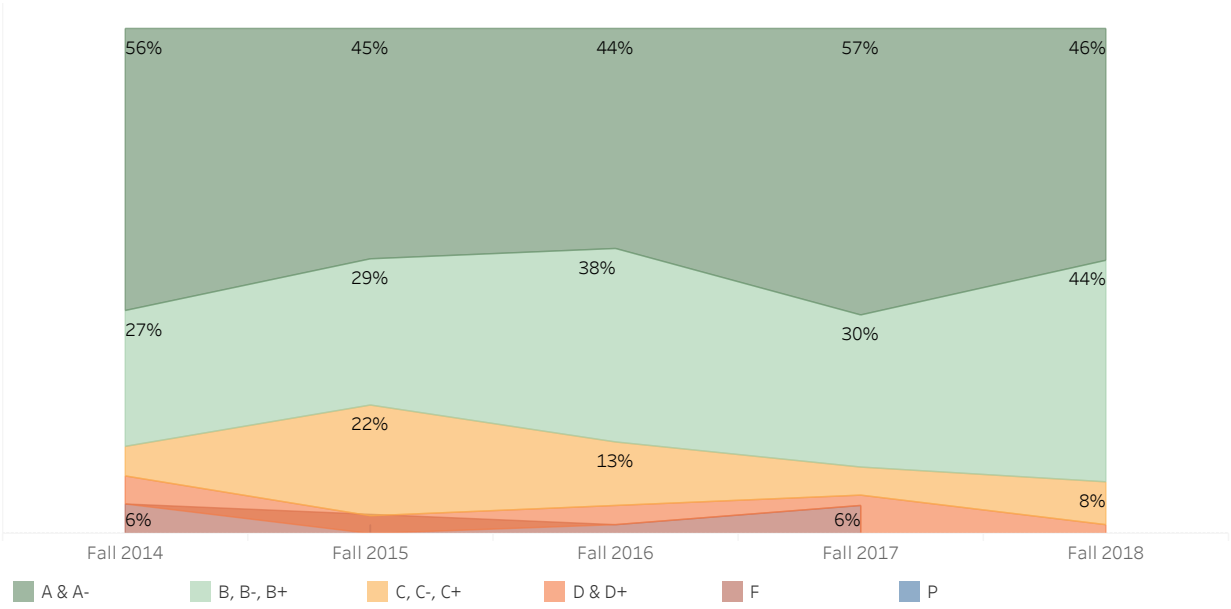
	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2014 Fall		60	
2015 Spring		57	
2015 Fall			53
2017 Fall			55
2017 Spring	65		
2018 Fall		56	
2018 Spring	63		
2019 Spring	66		

Law & Constitutional Studies Major Learning Objectives

To demonstrate knowledge about the structure of the Amer..	To demonstrate understanding of fundamental principl..	To demonstrate an ability to critically evaluate ideas and ar..	To demonstrate an ability to communicate effectively orally and ..

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

Grade Distribution for POLS 3120



IDEA Results for POLS 3320, 4130, and 4140

1. Gaining factual knowledge (terminology, classifications, methods, trends)

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2014 Fall			55
2015 Fall	63		
2016 Fall	63		
2017 Fall		56	
2018 Fall	65		

3. Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)

	Higher	Similar
2014 Fall	55	
2015 Fall	59	
2016 Fall	61	
2017 Fall		52
2018 Fall	60	

11. Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view

	Much Higher	Higher
2014 Fall		59
2015 Fall	62	
2016 Fall	63	
2017 Fall		59
2018 Fall	65	

2. Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories

	Much Higher	Higher
2014 Fall		56
2015 Fall	65	
2016 Fall	64	
2017 Fall		58
2018 Fall	67	

8. Developing skill in expressing myself orally or in writing

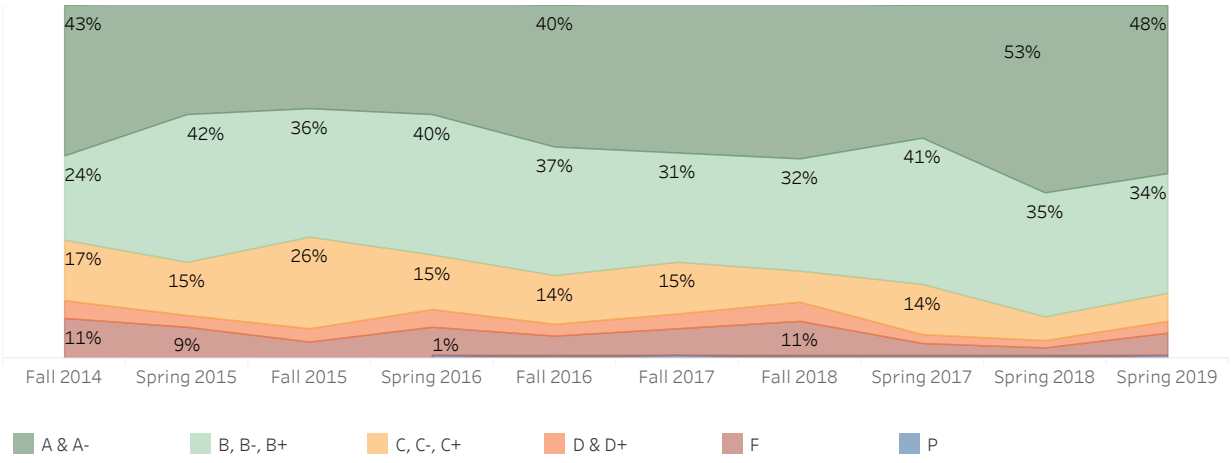
	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2014 Fall	63		
2015 Fall	63		
2016 Fall		55	
2017 Fall			54
2018 Fall		56	

International Studies Major Learning Objectives

To demonstrate knowledge of international relation..	International experience	To demonstrate a basic level of fluency in a foreign language	To demonstrate orally and in writing the ability to analyze and ..

To demonstrate knowledge of international relations, international security, and political systems around the world

Grade Distribution for POLS 2100, 2200, and 4464



IDEA Results for POLS 2100, 2200, and 4464

1. Gaining factual knowledge (terminology, classifications, methods, trends)

	Much Higher	Higher
2014 Fall		56
2015 Spring		55
2015 Fall		59
2016 Spring		61
2016 Fall	65	
2017 Fall		62
2017 Spring		59
2018 Fall	65	
2018 Spring		58
2019 Spring		56

3. Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)

	Higher	Similar
2014 Fall		54
2015 Spring		50
2015 Fall	56	
2016 Spring	59	
2016 Fall	60	
2017 Fall	61	
2017 Spring	57	
2018 Fall	61	
2018 Spring	56	
2019 Spring		54

11. Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2014 Fall		59	
2015 Spring			53
2015 Fall		60	
2016 Spring	63		
2016 Fall		58	
2017 Fall	66		
2017 Spring		58	
2018 Fall	65		
2018 Spring		59	
2019 Spring		59	

2. Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2014 Fall		59	
2015 Spring			54
2015 Fall		58	
2016 Spring		61	
2016 Fall	64		
2017 Fall	64		
2017 Spring		59	
2018 Fall	66		
2018 Spring	64		
2019 Spring		59	

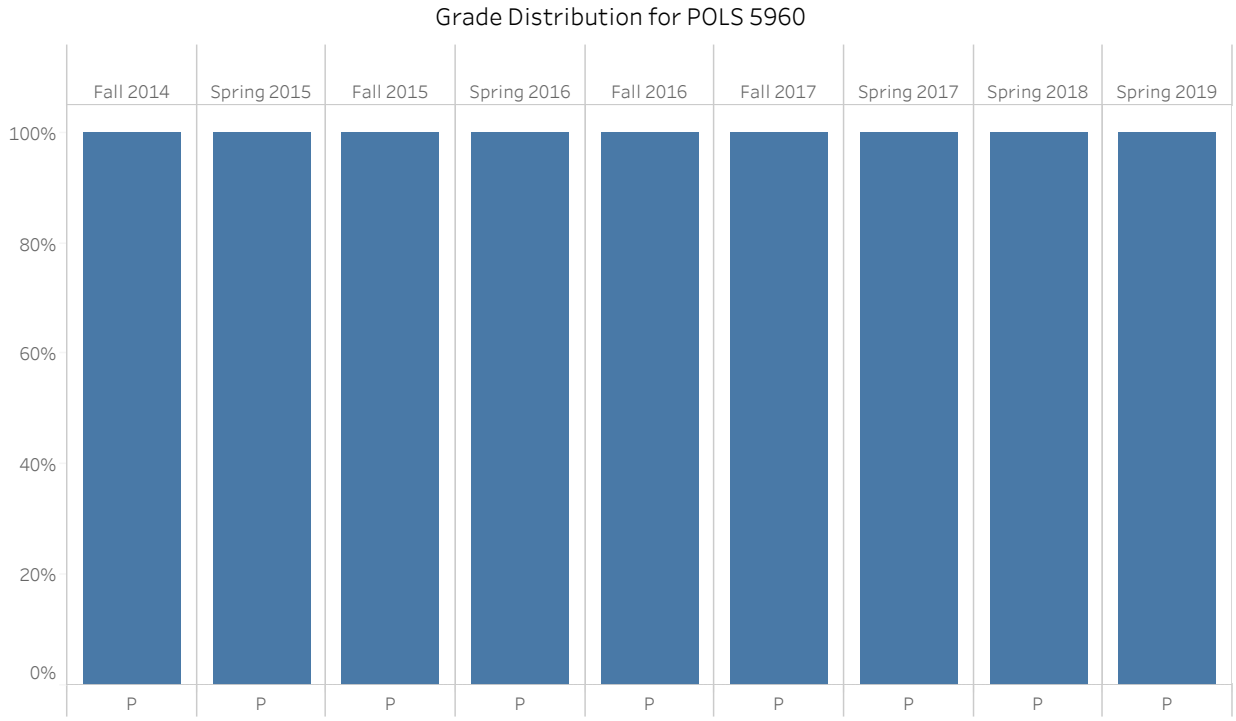
8. Developing skill in expressing myself orally or in writing

	Similar	Higher	Much Higher
2014 Fall		58	
2015 Spring	54		
2015 Fall			63
2016 Spring		59	
2016 Fall		58	
2017 Fall			64
2017 Spring		58	
2018 Fall			68
2018 Spring		56	
2019 Spring	53		

International Studies Major Learning Objectives

To demonstrate knowledge of international relation..	International experience	To demonstrate a basic level of fluency in a foreign language	To demonstrate orally and in writing the ability to analyze and ..

International Experience

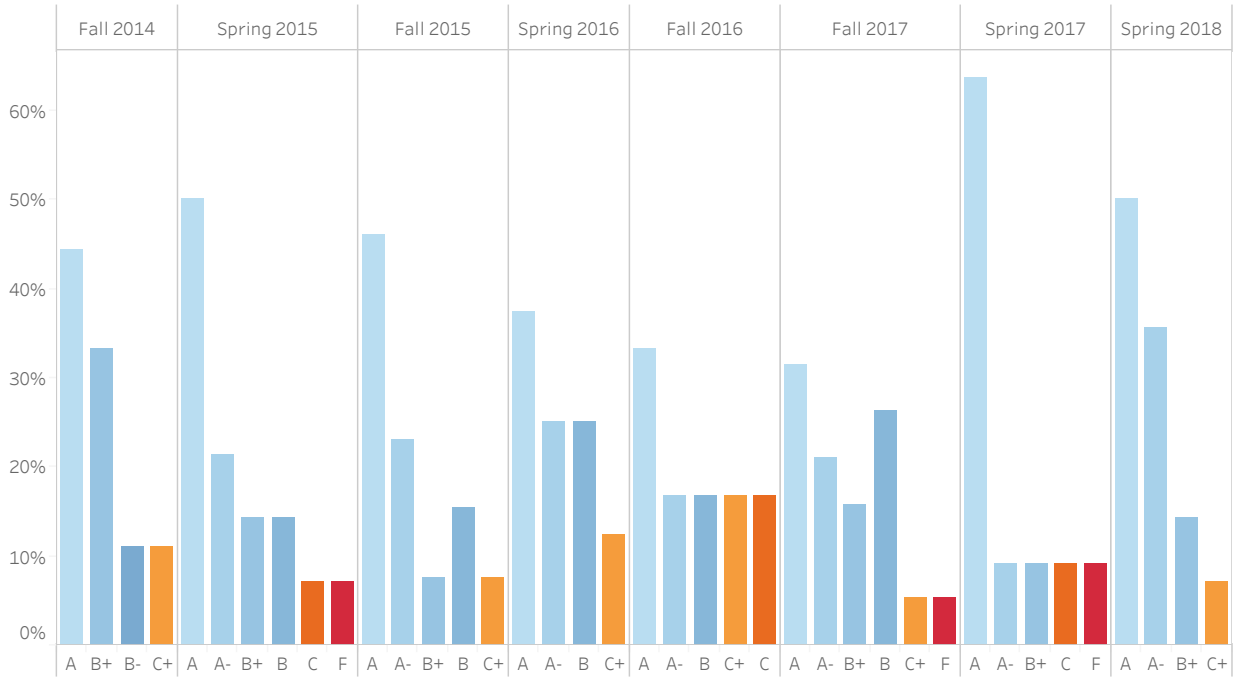


International Studies Major Learning Objectives

To demonstrate knowledge of international relation..	International experience	To demonstrate a basic level of fluency in a foreign language	To demonstrate orally and in writing the ability to analyze and ..

To demonstrate a basic level of fluency in a foreign language

Grade Distribution for 3000 Level Foreign Language Courses

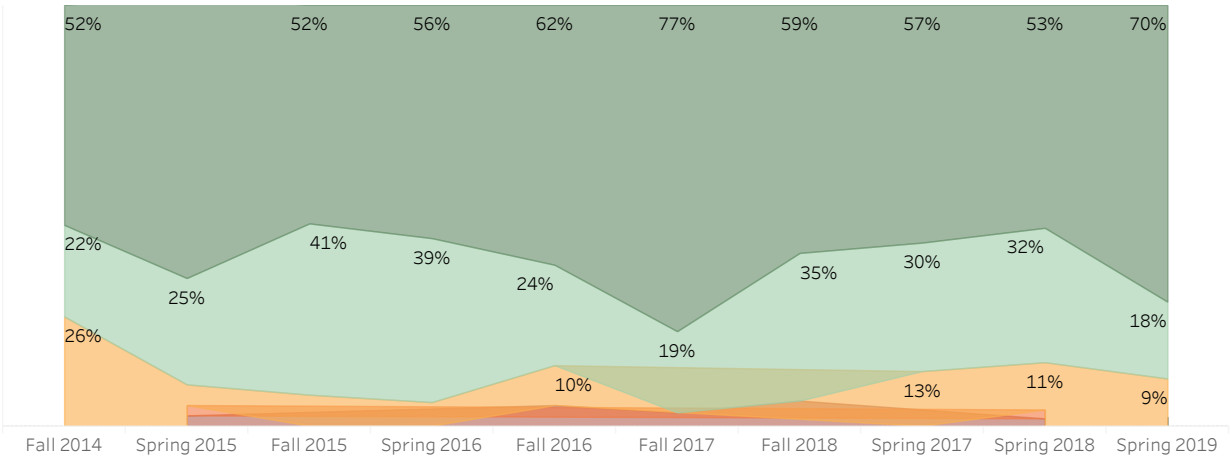


International Studies Major Learning Objectives

To demonstrate knowledge of international relation..	International experience	To demonstrate a basic level of fluency in a foreign language	To demonstrate orally and in writing the ability to analyze and ..

To demonstrate orally and in writing the ability to analyze and critically evaluate ideas and arguments related to international politics

Grade Distribution for POLS 4990



IDEA Results for POLS 4990

1. Gaining factual knowledge (terminology, classifications, methods, trends)

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2014 Fall			51
2015 Spring	68		
2015 Fall			46
2016 Spring		61	
2016 Fall	70		
2017 Spring	65		
2018 Fall	65		
2018 Spring	70		
2019 Spring	66		

3. Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2014 Fall			51
2015 Spring	69		
2015 Fall			50
2016 Spring		60	
2016 Fall	70		
2017 Spring	66		
2018 Fall	65		
2018 Spring	70		
2019 Spring	68		

11. Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view

	Much Higher	Similar
2014 Fall		48
2015 Spring	70	
2015 Fall		49
2016 Spring	63	
2016 Fall	70	
2017 Spring	68	
2018 Fall	67	
2018 Spring	70	
2019 Spring	68	

2. Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories

	Much Higher	Similar	Lower
2014 Fall		51	
2015 Spring	70		
2015 Fall			43
2016 Spring	64		
2016 Fall	72		
2017 Spring	67		
2018 Fall	69		
2018 Spring	72		
2019 Spring	70		

8. Developing skill in expressing myself orally or in writing

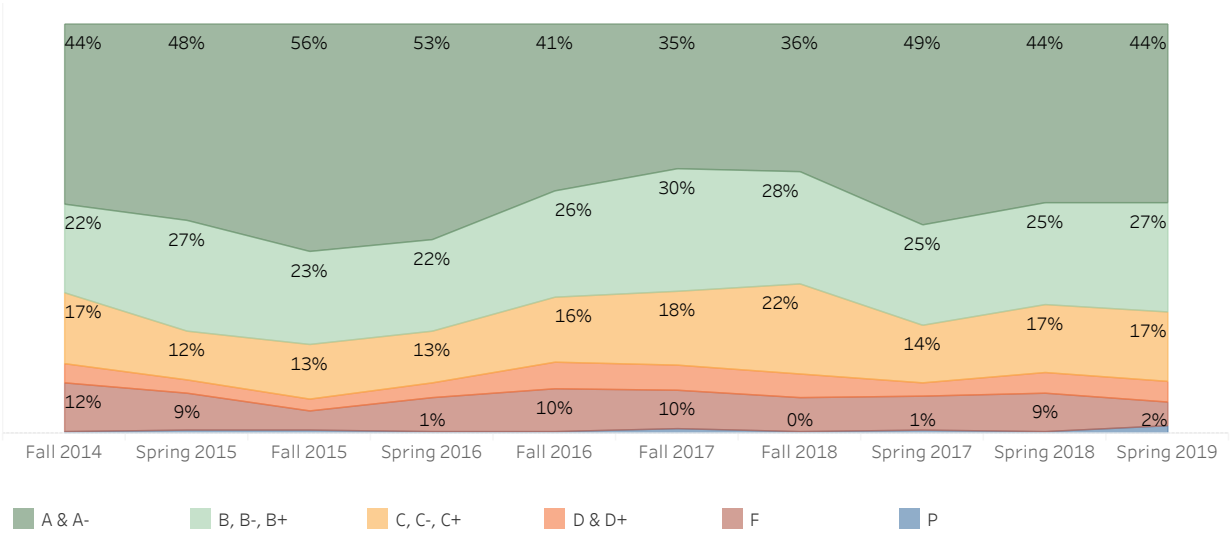
	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2014 Fall			50
2015 Spring	67		
2015 Fall		56	
2016 Spring	65		
2016 Fall	68		
2017 Spring	65		
2018 Fall	64		
2018 Spring	68		
2019 Spring	63		

Political Science Major Learning Objectives

To demonstrate factual knowledge about the American p..	To demonstrate understanding of theories critical to th..	To demonstrate basic competency in qualitative and quant..	To differentiate political ideas and arguments relevant t..

To demonstrate factual knowledge about the American political system, its institutional structure, and its basic principles.

Grade Distribution for POLS 1100



IDEA Results for POLS 1100

1. Gaining factual knowledge (terminology, classifications, methods, trends)

	Much Higher	Higher
2014 Fall		58
2015 Spring		61
2015 Fall	62	
2016 Fall	67	
2017 Fall		61
2018 Fall	63	

3. Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)

	Much Higher	Higher
2014 Fall		56
2015 Spring		61
2015 Fall		59
2016 Fall	64	
2017 Fall		55
2018 Fall		58

11. Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view

	Much Higher	Higher
2014 Fall		61
2015 Spring	63	
2015 Fall	64	
2016 Fall	64	
2017 Fall	65	
2018 Fall	64	

2. Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories

	Much Higher
2014 Fall	62
2015 Spring	63
2015 Fall	65
2016 Fall	68
2017 Fall	63
2018 Fall	66

8. Developing skill in expressing myself orally or in writing

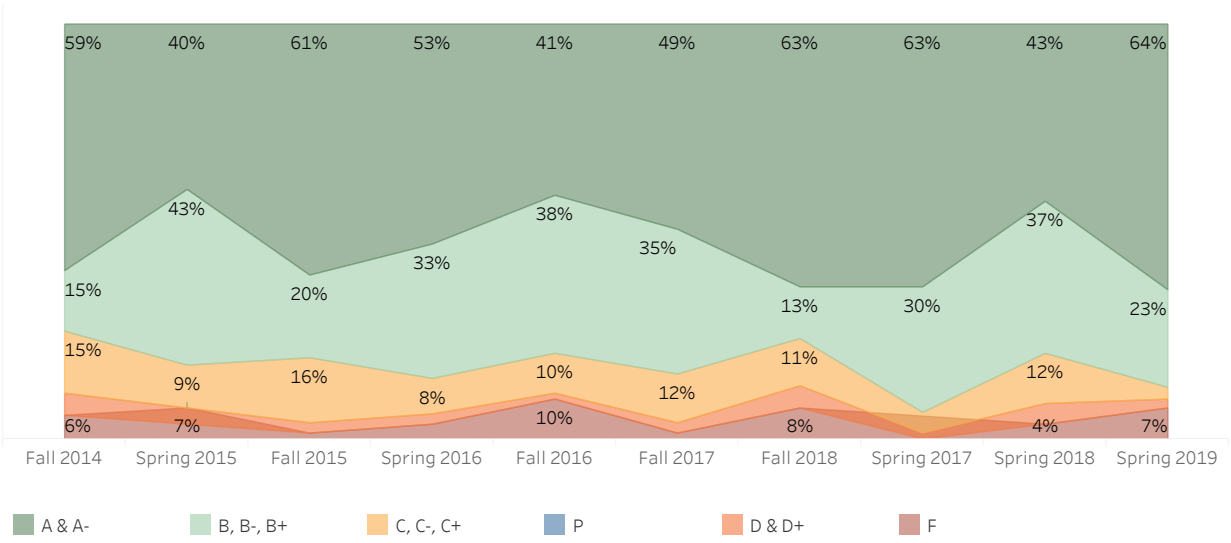
	Similar	Higher
2014 Fall		62
2015 Spring		59
2015 Fall		61
2016 Fall		61
2017 Fall		57
2018 Fall	54	

Political Science Major Learning Objectives

To demonstrate factual knowledge about the American p..	To demonstrate understanding of theories critical to th..	To demonstrate basic competency in qualitative and quant..	To differentiate political ideas and arguments relevant t..

To demonstrate understanding of theories critical to the discipline of political science and the history of ideas important to the discipline

Grade Distribution for POLS 2300



IDEA Results for POLS 2300

1. Gaining factual knowledge (terminology, classifications, methods, trends)

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2014 Fall			51
2015 Spring			51
2015 Fall		61	
2016 Spring		59	
2016 Fall		55	
2017 Fall		59	
2017 Spring		56	
2018 Fall	62		
2018 Spring			50
2019 Spring	65		

3. Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)

	Higher	Similar
2014 Fall		46
2015 Spring		52
2015 Fall	56	
2016 Spring	61	
2016 Fall		52
2017 Fall	60	
2017 Spring	60	
2018 Fall	59	
2018 Spring		49
2019 Spring	59	

11. Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view

	Much Higher	Higher
2014 Fall		56
2015 Spring		60
2015 Fall	63	
2016 Spring	62	
2016 Fall		56
2017 Fall	64	
2017 Spring	64	
2018 Fall	67	
2018 Spring		58
2019 Spring	66	

2. Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2014 Fall			52
2015 Spring		60	
2015 Fall		61	
2016 Spring	65		
2016 Fall		59	
2017 Fall	64		
2017 Spring		62	
2018 Fall	68		
2018 Spring		59	
2019 Spring	67		

8. Developing skill in expressing myself orally or in writing

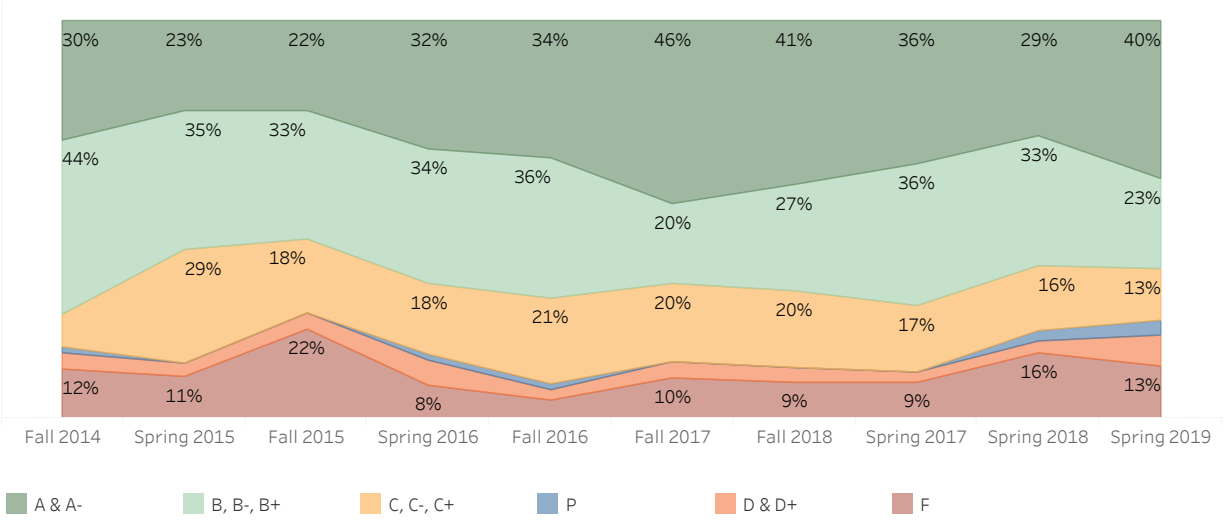
	Higher	Similar	Much Higher
2014 Fall	57		
2015 Spring	61		
2015 Fall	57		
2016 Spring	61		
2016 Fall		54	
2017 Fall	62		
2017 Spring		54	
2018 Fall			64
2018 Spring	55		
2019 Spring			66

Political Science Major Learning Objectives

To demonstrate factual knowledge about the American p..	To demonstrate understanding of theories critical to th..	To demonstrate basic competency in qualitative and quant..	To differentiate political ideas and arguments relevant t..

To demonstrate basic competency in qualitative and quantitative political science research methods and analysis.

Grade Distribution for POLS 3000



IDEA Results for POLS 3000

1. Gaining factual knowledge (terminology, classifications, methods, trends)

	Higher	Similar	Lower
2014 Fall			43
2015 Spring	58		
2015 Fall		46	
2016 Spring		52	
2016 Fall		50	
2017 Fall	60		
2017 Spring	59		
2018 Fall		53	
2018 Spring			44
2019 Spring	56		

2. Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories

	Higher	Similar	Lower
2014 Fall			42
2015 Spring	59		
2015 Fall	56		
2016 Spring		53	
2016 Fall		51	
2017 Fall	58		
2017 Spring	57		
2018 Fall		54	
2018 Spring			42
2019 Spring	55		

3. Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)

	Higher	Similar	Lower	Much Lower
2014 Fall			41	
2015 Spring	55			
2015 Fall		51		
2016 Spring		53		
2016 Fall		49		
2017 Fall	59			
2017 Spring	56			
2018 Fall		51		
2018 Spring				35
2019 Spring	58			

11. Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view

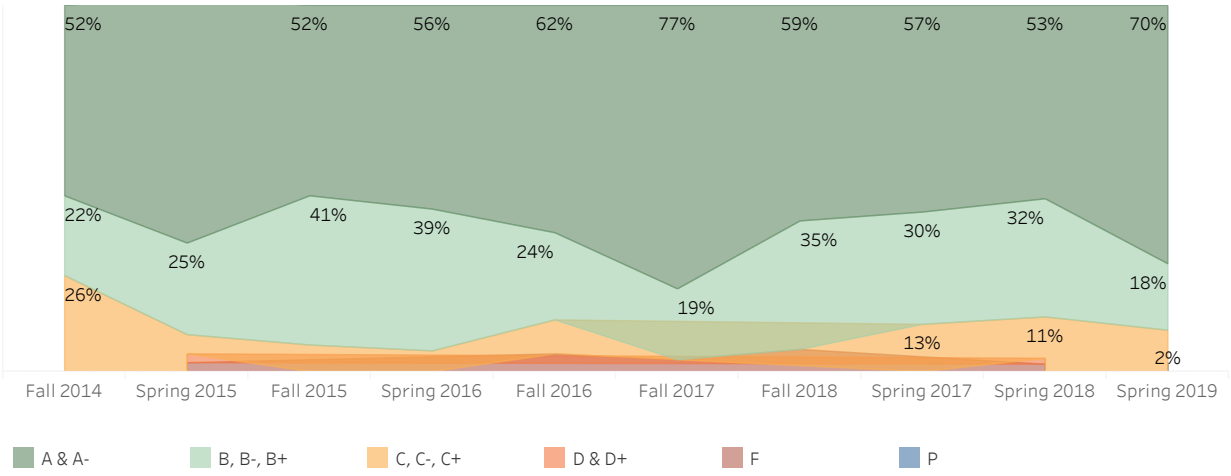
	Higher	Similar	Lower
2014 Fall		52	
2015 Spring	58		
2015 Fall			40
2016 Spring		54	
2016 Fall		52	
2017 Fall	58		
2017 Spring	57		
2018 Fall		48	
2018 Spring		49	
2019 Spring		54	

Political Science Major Learning Objectives

To demonstrate factual knowledge about the American p..	To demonstrate understanding of theories critical to th..	To demonstrate basic competency in qualitative and quant..	To differentiate political ideas and arguments relevant t..

To differentiate political ideas and arguments relevant to the most important issues that have defined American and international politics

Grade Distribution for POLS 4990



IDEA Results for POLS 4990

1. Gaining factual knowledge (terminology, classifications, methods, trends)

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2014 Fall			51
2015 Spring	68		
2015 Fall			46
2016 Spring		61	
2016 Fall	70		
2017 Spring	65		
2018 Fall	65		
2018 Spring	70		
2019 Spring	66		

3. Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2014 Fall			51
2015 Spring	69		
2015 Fall			50
2016 Spring		60	
2016 Fall	70		
2017 Spring	66		
2018 Fall	65		
2018 Spring	70		
2019 Spring	68		

11. Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view

	Much Higher	Similar
2014 Fall		48
2015 Spring	70	
2015 Fall		49
2016 Spring	63	
2016 Fall	70	
2017 Spring	68	
2018 Fall	67	
2018 Spring	70	
2019 Spring	68	

2. Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories

	Much Higher	Similar	Lower
2014 Fall		51	
2015 Spring	70		
2015 Fall			43
2016 Spring	64		
2016 Fall	72		
2017 Spring	67		
2018 Fall	69		
2018 Spring	72		
2019 Spring	70		

8. Developing skill in expressing myself orally or in writing

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2014 Fall			50
2015 Spring	67		
2015 Fall		56	
2016 Spring	65		
2016 Fall	68		
2017 Spring	65		
2018 Fall	64		
2018 Spring	68		
2019 Spring	63		

2. To increase knowledge of fundamental principles, generalizations, and theories of political science

	Much Higher	Lower	Higher
2013 Fall	65		
2014 Fall	67		
2015 Fall		40	
2018 Fall			61

CF - Objective 2 broken down by CF - IDEA Tiers Obj 2 vs. Term and Year. The data is filtered on Course_Num, which keeps POLS 6010,Section: 001.

3. To increase thinking, problem-solving, and decision-making skills

	Much Higher	Similar	Lower
2013 Fall	70		
2014 Fall		50	
2015 Fall			38
2018 Fall			

CF - Objective 3 broken down by CF - IDEA Tiers Obj 3 vs. Term and Year. The data is filtered on Course_Num, which keeps POLS 6010,Section: 001.

3. To increase thinking, problem-solving, and decision-making skills

	Higher
2013 Fall	
2014 Fall	
2015 Fall	
2018 Fall	57

CF - Objective 3 broken down by CF - IDEA Tiers Obj 3 vs. Term and Year. The data is filtered on Course_Num, which keeps POLS 6010,Section: 001.

4. Developing specific skills, competencies, and points of view needed by professionals in the field most closely related to this course

	Much Higher	Similar	Lower
2013 Fall	65		
2014 Fall		49	
2015 Fall			38
2018 Fall			

CF - Objective 4 broken down by CF - IDEA Tiers Obj 4 vs. Term and Year. The data is filtered on Course_Num, which keeps POLS 6010,Section: 001.

4. Developing specific skills, competencies, and points of view needed by professionals in the field most closely related to this course

	Higher
2013 Fall	
2014 Fall	
2015 Fall	
2018 Fall	59

CF - Objective 4 broken down by CF - IDEA Tiers Obj 4 vs. Term and Year. The data is filtered on Course_Num, which keeps POLS 6010,Section: 001.

5. Acquiring skills in working with others as a member of a team

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2013 Fall	64		
2014 Fall		59	
2015 Fall			47
2018 Fall			

CF - Objective 5 broken down by CF - IDEA Tiers Obj 5 vs. Term and Year. The data is filtered on Course_Num, which keeps POLS 6010,Section: 001.

5. Acquiring skills in working with others as a member of a team

	Lower
2013 Fall	
2014 Fall	
2015 Fall	
2018 Fall	38

CF - Objective 5 broken down by CF - IDEA Tiers Obj 5 vs. Term and Year. The data is filtered on Course_Num, which keeps POLS 6010,Section: 001.

6. Developing creative capacities (inventing, designing, writing, performing in art, music, drama, etc.)

	Similar	Lower
2013 Fall	47	
2014 Fall		45
2015 Fall	50	
2018 Fall	52	

CF - Objective 6 broken down by CF - IDEA Tiers Obj 6 vs. Term and Year. The data is filtered on Course_Num, which keeps POLS 6010,Section: 001.

7. Gaining a broader understanding and appreciation of intellectual/cultural activity

	Lower	Similar
2013 Fall		45
2014 Fall		47
2015 Fall		50
2018 Fall	38	

CF - Objective 7 broken down by CF - IDEA Tiers Obj 7 vs. Term and Year. The data is filtered on Course_Num, which keeps POLS 6010,Section: 001.

8. To increase ability to express oneself orally and in writing

	Similar	Lower	Higher
2013 Fall		38	
2014 Fall		42	
2015 Fall	51		
2018 Fall			56

CF - Objective 8 broken down by CF - IDEA Tiers Obj 8 vs. Term and Year. The data is filtered on Course_Num, which keeps POLS 6010,Section: 001.

9. Learning how to find and use resources for answering questions or solving problems

	Higher	Similar
2013 Fall		49
2014 Fall		46
2015 Fall	55	
2018 Fall		52

CF - Objective 9 broken down by CF - IDEA Tiers Obj 9 vs. Term and Year. The data is filtered on Course_Num, which keeps POLS 6010,Section: 001.

10. Developing a clearer understanding of, and commitment to, personal values

	Similar	Much Lower
2013 Fall		32
2014 Fall		34
2015 Fall	55	
2018 Fall	46	

CF - Objective 10 broken down by CF - IDEA Tiers Obj 10 vs. Term and Year.
The data is filtered on Course_Num, which keeps POLS 6010,Section: 001.

11. To increase skill in analyzing and critically evaluating ideas, arguments, and points of view

	Higher	Similar
2013 Fall	56	
2014 Fall		53
2015 Fall		51
2018 Fall	61	

CF - Objective 11 broken down by CF - IDEA Tiers Obj 11 vs. Term and Year. The data is filtered on Course_Num, which keeps POLS 6010,Section: 001.

12. Acquiring an interest in learning more by asking questions and seeking answers

	Much Higher	Similar
2013 Fall	63	
2014 Fall		54
2015 Fall		53
2018 Fall		54

CF - Objective 12 broken down by CF - IDEA Tiers Obj 12 vs. Term and Year.
The data is filtered on Course_Num, which keeps POLS 6010,Section: 001.