
Minor in Political Economy

Application

The minor in Political Economy provides an opportunity to study one of three problems in contemporary political economy: (1) Globalization; (2) Poverty, Inequality, and Policy; (3) Science, Technology, and Economic Development. Students will also encounter the historical foundation of these issues.

Applications are accepted throughout the year during the spring, summer, and fall semesters.

Students are eligible to declare the minor, when they:

- have completed at least one course for the minor at UCB with a grade of B or higher, or have completed at least two courses for the minor (not necessarily at UCB) with a minimum GPA of 2.0;
- have a cumulative UCB GPA of 2.0 as shown on the Student Account in CalCentral
- are not in their final semester of undergraduate work

To declare the minor, students must meet with an Political Economy advisor to review the application materials. Make an appointment and bring the completed application and supporting documents to 101 Stephens Hall to see an advisor. Once admitted, any changes to the program must be approved by a Political Economy advisor in advance.

Your complete Political Economy minor application consists of:

1. Minor Application Form and Program Worksheet
2. *Completion of L&S Minor* form signed by both the student and the major advisor
3. Submit the completed, signed application packet to the PE minor advisor via an appointment

Requirements for the Political Economy minor: 5 upper-division courses

- POLECON 100: *Classical Theories of Political Economy* - Required (it is recommended that you take POLECON 100 before POLECON 101)
- POLECON 101: *Contemporary Theories of Political Economy* - Required (Prerequisite POLECON 100)
- Three courses related to one of the three concentration topics listed below:
 1. Globalization
 2. Poverty, Inequality, and Policy
 3. Science, Technology, and Economic Development

Political Economy minor rules:

1. No more than two courses may be taken from the same department.
2. All courses towards the minor must be upper division, at least three semester units, and taken for a letter grade.
3. A minimum of three courses must be taken at UC Berkeley
4. All transfer courses must be approved by a Political Economy advisor.
5. POLECON 197, 198 and 199 cannot be used to fulfill minor requirements.
6. A minimum GPA of 2.0 must be achieved in all course work used to satisfy the minor requirements.
7. Only ONE course may count for both a major and a minor.

Reviewed/Approved by: _____

Date: _____

Minor in Political Economy APPLICATION FORM

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT

Personal Data

_____ Last Name	_____ First	_____ Middle	_____ S.I.D. Number
_____ Local Address			_____ Local Phone Number
_____ City/State	_____ Zip Code		_____ Cell Phone Number
_____ @berkeley.edu Email Address			

Academic Information

_____ Major Department	_____ Total Units Completed
_____ First Term at Berkeley (semester and year)	_____ Proposed Date of Graduation (semester and year)
_____ Double Major Department (if applicable)	_____ Other Minor Program Department (if applicable)
Other Colleges and Universities Attended:	
1. _____ from _____ to _____	
2. _____ from _____ to _____	

PLEASE READ AND INITIAL:

Once you are admitted to the minor you must have your courses approved each semester. It is your responsibility to discuss your courses with an advisor in advance of your Phase 1 appointment time, whether you are on campus or studying abroad. It is also your responsibility to inform an advisor when you have completed the minor so that you can be certified for completion in CalCentral.

Student Initials

Date

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Program Worksheet

Please indicate the semester you completed or plan to complete each requirement. Include alternative options should a class not be offered or not fit your schedule. **Do not fill in units, grades or grade points.**

All courses taken for the minor must be pre-approved by an advisor and taken for a letter grade.

Course	Semester taken/ plan to take	Institution	Units	Grade	Grade Points	Advisor Cert.
POLECON 100 (required)						
POLECON 101 (required)						

Concentration Topics (Choose one): 1. Globalization 2. Poverty, Inequality, and Policy 3. Science, Technology, and Development

Topic: _____

Course	Semester taken/ plan to take	Institution	Units	Grade	Grade Points	Advisor Cert.
1.						
2.						
3.						

Overlapping course (if applicable).

No more than one course can count for both a major and a minor.

Incoming
Minor GPA:

Final Minor GPA:

COMPLETION OF L&S MINOR

NAME _____ SID _____

A list of L&S minor programs can be found in the Berkeley Academic Guide <http://guide.berkeley.edu/undergraduate/degree-programs/>. If you are pursuing more than one major or minor, please use additional forms as necessary for each major and minor.

☐ I am requesting a waiver of the overlap verification. There are no upper division courses that can count towards both my major and minor programs. Please complete Section One of this form, obtain a signature from your Major Advisor, and then submit to your Minor Advisor.

☐ My minor and major have upper division course requirements in common. Please complete Section One and Section Two of this form. Obtain a signature from your Major Advisor and submit to your Minor Advisor.

SECTION ONE: L&S MINOR PROGRAM: _____

Pre-requisite and/or Lower Division Minor Courses (Completed and currently enrolled in)				Upper Division Minor Courses (Completed and currently enrolled in)			
Dept & course no.	Term completed	Where completed	Grade	Dept & course no.	Term completed	Where completed	Grade

SECTION TWO: MAJOR PROGRAM: _____

Upper Division Major Courses (Completed and currently enrolled in)				Upper Division Division Major Courses (Contd) (Completed and currently enrolled in)			
Dept & course no.	Term completed	Where completed	Grade	Dept & course no.	Term completed	Where completed	Grade

☐ I plan to use this course: _____ to fulfill both a major and minor requirement.
☐ I do not plan to use any courses to fulfill both a major and minor requirement.

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE MAJOR ADVISOR: I have reviewed and verified this information to be accurate.

Major Adviser’s Signature

Printed Name

Date

COMPLETION OF L&S MINOR INSTRUCTIONS

This petition must be submitted to your Minor Advisor no later than Friday of RRR week of your Expected Graduation Term (EGT). If your EGT is a summer term, the petition is due the final Friday of the last Summer Session (session D). **Your Expected Graduation Term is posted on My Academics in CalCentral below your photo.**

You may have courses for the minor in progress at the time of your petition submission.

The purpose of this petition is to verify the courses you have completed (or have in progress) for the minor, and to confirm that no more than one upper division course will be used to fulfill both a minor and major requirement.

If you are pursuing one than one major or minor, you will need a form for each minor or major.

Instructions to Waive Review of Course Overlap Between Major and Minor:

If there is no possible overlap in upper division course requirements between your minor and major(s), (for example, between a major in Physics and a minor in English there are no upper division courses in common that could fulfill requirements in both programs) you may waive full review for overlap. Follow these steps:

1. Check the first box at the top of the form indicating a request for waiving review for overlap.
2. Complete Section One to verify the courses you have completed, or are in progress, that fulfill requirements for the minor you are pursuing.
3. Obtain a signature from your major advisor to confirm the waiver.
4. Submit form to the Minor Advisor.

Instructions for Major and Minor Programs with Upper Division Courses in Common:

If your major and minor programs have upper division courses in common, you will need to list all upper division courses you have completed (or have in progress) for each program, and confirm whether or not you plan to overlap one course between the major and minor by noting the specific course you will use to fulfill a requirement for both programs.

1. Check the second box at the top of the form indicating there are common upper division courses between the major and minor.
2. Complete Section One and Section Two.
3. Obtain a signature from your Major Advisor to confirm whether or not you will elect to use a course overlap.
4. Submit the form to your Minor Advisor.