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ADVISING GUIDE

Major Catalog Year 2021-22

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IMPACTION CRITERIA/PREPARATION FOR THE MAJOR

- Seven required preparation for the major courses:

☐ PA 200 ☐ ACCT 201 ☐ ECON 101 ☐ ECON 102 ☐ POL S 102 ☐ MIS 180 ☐ Three-unit stats course: _____

Students may choose from any of the following statistics courses to fulfill the three-unit statistics requirement: BIOL 215, ECON 201, POL S 201, PSY 280, or SOC 201 STAT 119, STAT 250.

- Minimum grade of "C" in all preparation for the major/impaction criteria courses
- Complete a minimum of 45 units semester units (60 for transfer students)
- Minimum 2.4 GPA cumulative

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of 36 upper division units is required. Track your progress toward meeting the PA Major requirements using the following symbols: ✓ = Completed E = Enrolled P = Pending

PA Core Requirements: *Take all seven courses — 21 units*

PA 301. Concepts and Issues in Public Administration
PA 310. Management of Urban Governments
PA 330. Public Personnel Administration
PA 340. Administrative Behavior

PA 450. Fiscal and Budgetary Policy
PA 460. Administration and Public Policy Development
PA 497. Investigation and Report or PA 498. Internship in PA

PA Elective Requirements: *Take five courses (15 units). At least three courses (nine units) must be PA specific (from the PA department).*

*Students are encouraged to take two 500 level courses. Courses marked with * are required for City Planning Emphasis*

PA 312. Management of State Gov't
PA 320. Intro Urban Planning*
PA 341. Administrative Management
PA 350. Contemporary Urban Issues*
PA 420. Method Analysis City Planning*
PA 480. Leadership and the Public Sector
PA 485. Planning and Pub Policy in U.S.-Mexico Border
PA 496. Experimental Topics
PA 499. Special Study
PA 501. Non-profit Organizations and Government
PA 520. Decision Making in the Urban Community

PA 525. The U.S. City Planning Process*
PA 530. Negotiation and Bargaining in the Public Sector
PA 531. Governmental Employer-Employee Relations
PA 540. Public Administrative Systems Analysis*
PA 580. Comparative Public Administration
PA 581. War, the State, and Governance: Global Perspective
PA 582. War, the State, and Governance: U.S. Perspective
PA 596. Experimental Topics
Other Elective: _____
Other Elective: _____

MINOR REQUIREMENTS

PA Minor Requirements: *(Take all seven courses — 21 units)*

POL S 102. Introduction to American Politics in Global Perspective
PA 301. Concepts and Issues in Public Administration
PA 310. Management of Urban Government or PA 312 Mgmt. of State Government
PA 330. Public Personnel Administration
PA 450. Fiscal and Budgetary Policy
Other PA Course: _____
Other PA Course: _____

** Please note that this is a guide only. Students should refer to their major catalog year for the most up-to-date information. For additional advising information go to the PA Canvas Homeroom or https://spa.sdsu.edu/student_experience/advising*

ELECTIVES FROM OTHER DEPARTMENTS

Students may take up to two courses (6 units) from this approved list of electives to fulfill their PA major elective requirements. Please note this does not guarantee you will be able to enroll in these courses due to each course's pre-requisites. To confirm your eligibility to enroll in these courses refer to the General Catalog.

Courses from the Explorations of Human Experience may be used as PA electives if they appear on this list. These are identified as follows: ***(A)** Natural Sciences ***(B)** Social Behavioral Sciences ***(C)** Humanities

CJ 300. Crime, Law, and Justice	HIST 545. Constitutional History of the United States
CJ 301. Law in Society	HIST 581. Topics in Urban History
CJ 302. Crime and Behavior	HIST 584. Topics in Environmental History
CJ 303. Criminal Justice and Social Control	ISCOR 301. Conflict and Conflict Resolution *(B)
CJ 305. Professions and Ethics	ISCOR 320. International Security in the Nuclear Age *(B)
CJ 310. Law Enforcement	LATAM 430 or POL S 430. Immigration and Border Politics *(B)
CJ 320. Criminal Law	PH 301. Foundations and Practice of Public Health
CJ 321. Juvenile Justice	PH 304. Environment and Public Health
CJ 330. Corrections	PH 305. Medical Care Organization and Delivery
CJ 333. The Judiciary	PH 331. Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Response
CJ 420. Constitutional Issues in Criminal Justice	PH 362. International Health *(B)
CJ 510. Contemporary Issues in Law Enforcement	PH 450. Public Health Policy
CJ 520. Prosecutorial Function	PHIL 329. Social Ethics *(C)
CJ 531. Probation and Parole	PHIL 332 or SUSTN 322. Environmental Ethics *(C)
CJ 540. Applied Plan, Research and Evaluation in Criminal Justice	PHIL 510. Philosophy of Law
CJ 543. Community Resources in Criminal Justice	POL S 335. Public Policy
AS 300 A&B. Air Force Leadership Studies	POL S 346. Law and the Political Systems
ACCT 508. Accounting for Not-for-Profit Organizations	POL S 347A. American Constitutional Law: Institutional Powers and Constraints
AFRAS 320. Political Economy of African Diaspora *(B)	*(B) POL S 347B. American Constitutional Law: Civil Rights and Civil Liberties *(B)
AFRAS 380. Blacks in the American Justice System *(B)	POL S 348. The Supreme Court and Contemporary Issues
AMIND 331 or POL S 331. American Indian Political Experience	POL S 370. Political Violence *(B)
ANTH 529. Urban Anthropology	POL S 375. International Relations
ANTH 531. Methods in Applied Anthropology	POL S 393. Institute on World Affairs
ART 547. Environmental Theory	POL S 422. Urban Policies *(B)
ART 577. History of Architecture	POL S 436. The American Presidency
ASIAN 460. Contemporary Issues in Filipino-American Communities *(B)	POL S 478. Conduct of American Foreign Relations
BIO 315. Ecology and Human Impacts on Environment *(A)	POL S 479. National Security Policy
BIO 327. Conservation of Wildlife *(A)	POL S 531. Interest Groups and Political Movements
BIO 354. Ecology and the Environment	POL S 560. Comparative Public Policy
CCS 306. Mexican Immigration	POL S 564. Political Ecology of Latin America
CCS 355. or LATAM 355. The United States-Mexico International Border *(B)	POL S 568. Mexican Politics
CFD 477. Administrative Child Development Programs	POL S 575. International Relations of the Pacific Rim
COMM 307. Communication in Professional Settings	PSY 320. Personnel and Industrial Psychology
COMM 406. Organizational Communication	PSY 340. Social Psychology *(B)
ECON 311. History of Economic Thought	PSY 365. Drugs and Behavior
ECON 330. Comparative Economic Systems *(B)	RWS 503W. Professional Writing
ECON 338. Economic History of the United States	SOC 320. Sex and Gender in Contemporary Society *(B)
ECON 360. International Economic Problems	SOC 355. Minority Group Relations *(B)
ECON 365. Economics of Underdeveloped Areas	SOC 430. Social Organizations *(B)
ECON 380. Labor of Economics	SOC 443. Crime and Society
ECON 455. Environmental Economics	SOC 444. Juvenile Delinquency
ECON 490. Money and Banking	SOC 445. Sociology of Deviance
GEOG 354. Geography of Cities *(B)	SOC 450. Social Change *(B)
GEOG 370. Conservation Science and Policy *(B)	SOC 543. Police, Courts and Corrections: The Sociology of Crime and Punishment
GEOG 484. Geographic Information Systems	SOC 554. Sociology of the United States-Mexico Transborder Populations and Globalization
GEOG 554. World Cities	SUSTN 332. Environmental Ethics *(C)
GEOG 572. Land Use Analysis	SWORK 350. Cultural Pluralism *(B)
GEOL 303. Natural Disasters *(A)	SWORK 370. Social Policies and Social Issues
GERO 350. Social Policy and Aging	WMNST 370. Women, Law and Policy *(B)
GERO 360. Diversity and Aging *(B)	WMNST 375. Sex, Power and Politics *(B)
HIST 441. Unnatural Disasters: History of Current Environmental Problems *(C)	WMNST 385. Women's Work: Invisibility and Empowerment *(B)
HIST 445. California History *(B)	
HIST 535. Age of Roosevelt	
HIST 535. The United States since World War II	