

POLSC 2090 Introduction to Public Policy

4 hours

Majors, Minors & Degrees:

Majors

Political Science (B.A., B.S.)

Public Health (B.S.)

Minors

Economics

International Policy

Political Science

Public Health

Departments/Programs:

Political Science

This course examines the development and implementation of public policy. We will consider the actors, institutions, and rules that create and influence the policy making process and the consequences these choices produce. There are many puzzles this course attempts to address, including why some laws pass and others fail, why some policy ideas move more quickly than others, and why some strategies for causing policy change are successful. We will learn methods for evaluating public policy and the ways citizens can work within, and outside of, government to affect change.