

## POLSC 2450 State Politics and Policy

4 hours

Majors, Minors & Degrees:

**Majors**

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

**Minors**

Political Science

Departments/Programs:

Political Science

State governments in the United States play an essential and often overlooked role in the lives of their citizens. Among many other public policy areas, state decisions affect the quality of education provided to children, the criminal laws established and enforced, the operation of elections, and the strength of local economies. This course takes a comparative approach, examining the institutions, procedures, politicians, citizens, and public policies of states in the U.S. We utilize this information to investigate how the collective experiences of the several states can inform governance and policy.