

Minor in American Constitutional Democracy

The minor in American Constitutional Democracy is designed for those students who wish to delve more deeply into the philosophical roots and complex history of self-government by exploring the intellectual, political, historical, and cultural forces that contributed to the development of both the American republic and constitutional democracy around the globe.

In addition to a wide-ranging interdisciplinary curriculum, the minor contains a required "experiential" component that allows students to consider constitutional issues in practice and/or in comparative perspective.

Requirements

A minimum of fifteen (15) credits are required for the minor. Students in the minor must maintain a B average (3.0 GPA) for courses in the minor.

A minimum of twelve (12) credits must come from the courses below. At least nine (9) hours must be completed at MU.

Additionally, a minimum of three (3) credits must come from an experiential component. The experiential component may be satisfied through participation in either an internship or study abroad program associated with the minor or approved by the director of the minor.

The minor must be completed with courses from at least two (2) subject areas.

- A minor must be completed and awarded at the same time as the MU undergraduate degree
- Once an A&S minor is awarded, a student cannot return to MU to complete a major in the same department
- Minor coursework cannot also be used for Foreign Language Alternative

A minor consists of at least 15 credits, including at least 6 credits numbered 2000 or above, 9 of the required credits must be taken in MU course work. This requirement can be reduced from 9 to 6 at the discretion of an individual department. Students must meet the minimum GPA requirements for a minor, which in no case can be lower than 2.0. In addition, a student cannot receive a grade lower than a C- in any course applied towards a minor in the College. For more information, please see Requirements for Optional Minor (<https://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofartsandscience/#requirementsforoptionalminor>).

AMS 3100	The Age of Pericles	3
or AMS 3100H	The Age of Pericles - Honors	
AMS 3400	Murder and Mayhem: Images of Justice in Classical Antiquity	3
or AMS 3400H	Murder and Mayhem: Images of Justice in Classical Antiquity - Honors	
or AMS 3400W	Murder and Mayhem: Images of Justice in Classical Antiquity - Writing Intensive	
AMS 4800	Political Thought in Classical and Christian Antiquity	3
BL_STU 2425	Race and the American Story	3
or CNST_DEM 2425	Race and the American Story	
or POL_SC 2425	Race and the American Story	
BL_STU 2804	Black Political Thought	3

BL_STU 2904	Black Studies in Slavery and Freedom	3
or HIST 2904	Black Studies in Slavery and Freedom	
BL_STU 3605	African-European Histories: The African Diaspora in Germany and Beyond	3
or BL_STU 3605H	African-European Histories: The African Diaspora in Germany and Beyond - Honors	
or GERMAN 3605	African-European Histories: The African Diaspora in Germany and Beyond	
or GERMAN 3605H	African-European Histories: The African Diaspora in Germany and Beyond - Honors	
BL_STU 3804	Resistance in the Black Atlantic	3
BL_STU 4303	Black Studies in Race, Class, Gender, and U.S. Policy	3
or HIST 4303	Black Studies in Race, Class, Gender and U.S. Policy	
BL_STU 4640	African Politics	3
or POL_SC 4640	African Politics	
CNST_DEM 2100	The Revolutionary Transformation of Early America	3
or HIST 2100	The Revolutionary Transformation of America	
or CNST_DEM 2100H	The Revolutionary Transformation of Early America - Honors	
or HIST 2100H	The Revolutionary Transformation of America - Honors	
CNST_DEM 2120	The Young Republic	3
or HIST 2120	The Young Republic	
or CNST_DEM 2120H	The Young Republic - Honors	
or HIST 2120H	The Young Republic - Honors	
CNST_DEM 2450	The Intellectual World of the American Founders	3
or POL_SC 2450	The Intellectual World of the American Founders	
or CNST_DEM 2450H	The Intellectual World of the American Founders - Honors	
or POL_SC 2450H	The Intellectual World of the American Founders - Honors	
CNST_DEM 2455	Constitutional Debates	3
or POL_SC 2455	Constitutional Debates	
or CNST_DEM 2455H	Constitutional Debates - Honors	
or POL_SC 2455H	Constitutional Debates - Honors	
CNST_DEM 4231	Constitutional Litigation	3
or POL_SC 4231	Constitutional Litigation	
CNST_DEM 4400	History of American Law	3
or CNST_DEM 4400W	History of American Law - Writing Intensive	
or HIST 4400	History of American Law	
or HIST 4400W	History of American Law - Writing Intensive	
CNST_DEM 4835	Race and Politics in South Africa	3
or BL_STU 4835	Race and Politics in South Africa	
or HIST 4835	Race and Politics in South Africa	
or HIST 4835H	Race and Politics in South Africa - Honors	
CNST_DEM 4900	Beltway History and Politics: American Constitutional Democracy in Theory and Practice	3
or HIST 4900	Beltway History: American Constitutional Democracy in Theory and Practice	
or POL_SC 4900	Beltway History and Politics: American Constitutional Democracy in Theory and Practice	
CNST_DEM 4940	Internship in Constitutional Democracy	3-6
CNST_DEM 4975	Journal on Constitutional Democracy	1-3
or CNST_DEM 4975H	Journal on Constitutional Democracy - Honors	

ECONOM 3367	Law and Economics	3	HIST 4940	Internship in History	3
or ECONOM 3367W	Law and Economics - Writing Intensive		JOURN 4000	Communications Law	3
ENV_SC 4400W	Environmental Law, Policy, and Justice - Writing Intensive	3	PEA_ST 2016	Authoritarian Societies, States, and the Prospects for Democracy	3
GEOG 2720	The City	3	or PEA_ST 2016H	Authoritarian Societies, States, and the Prospects for Democracy - Honors	
GEOG 4770	Migration and Immigration	3	or PEA_ST 2016W	Authoritarian Societies, States, and the Prospects for Democracy - Writing Intensive	
GERMAN 4840	Totalitarianism and Culture	3	PEA_ST 2293	Globalization, Identity and Citizenship	3
or GERMAN 4840	Totalitarianism and Culture		or PEA_ST 2293W	Globalization, Identity and Citizenship - Writing Intensive	
or GERMAN 4840H	Totalitarianism and Culture - Honors		PHIL 4600	Justice, Rights, and the State: An Introduction to Political Philosophy	3
or GERMAN 4840HW	Totalitarianism and Culture - Honors/Writing Intensive		PHIL 4610	Law, Liberty, and Justice: An Introduction to the Philosophy of Law	3
GN_HON 2245H	Revolutions	3	POL_SC 2200	The Judicial Process	3
GN_HON 2246H	Constitutions	3	POL_SC 2250	Missouri Politics	3
HIST 2150	The American Civil War: A Global History	3	POL_SC 2410	The Politics of International Law	3
HIST 2210	Twentieth Century America	3	POL_SC 2445	American Constitutional Democracy	3
HIST 2440	History of Missouri	3	or CNST_DEM 2445	American Constitutional Democracy	
HIST 2570	The First World War and its Aftermath	3	POL_SC 2600	Canadian Politics and Government	3
HIST 2820	Taiwan: The First Chinese Democracy	3	POL_SC 2860	American Political Thought	3
HIST 3200	Black Freedom Movement, 1955-1973	3	POL_SC 4131	Race and Politics	3
or BL_STU 3200	Black Freedom Movement, 1955-1973		POL_SC 4140	Congress and Legislative Policy	3
HIST 3210	History of Religion in Post-Civil War America	3	POL_SC 4141	The History of American Legislatures	3
HIST 3485	The United States and the Middle East	3	POL_SC 4150	The American Presidency	3
HIST 3545	World War II	3	or POL_SC 4150W	The American Presidency - Writing Intensive	
HIST 3560	The Scientific Revolution	3	POL_SC 4190	Elections and Democracy in the United States	3
HIST 3620	Britain and the Sea	3	POL_SC 4200	The American Constitution	3
HIST 3855	Japan and Britain, 1850-1940: The 'Two Island Empires'	3	POL_SC 4210	Constitutional Rights	3
HIST 3860	History of Mexico	3	POL_SC 4220	The United States Supreme Court	3
HIST 4070	Indians and Europeans in Early America	3	POL_SC 4230	Constitution and Civil Liberties	3
HIST 4075	Global History in Oxford	4	POL_SC 4320	Public Policy	3
or CNST_DEM 4075	Global History in Oxford		POL_SC 4370	Law, Policy, and Regulation	3
or HIST 4075H	Global History in Oxford - Honors		POL_SC 4380	Politics of Criminal Justice	3
HIST 4235	The Wire: Race, Urban Inequality, and the "Crisis" of the American City	3	POL_SC 4390	United States Health Politics and Policy	3
or BL_STU 4335	The Wire: Race, Urban Inequality, and the "Crisis" of the American City		POL_SC 4430	Global Human Rights	3
HIST 4260	The Age of Ascendancy: U.S. Foreign Relations, 1945 - Present	3	POL_SC 4540	American Foreign Policies	3
HIST 4270	African-Americans in the Twentieth Century	3	or POL_SC 4540W	American Foreign Policies - Writing Intensive	
HIST 4280	America in the Reagan Years	3	POL_SC 4550	Environmental Conflict	3
HIST 4580	The "Making" of Modern Europe: Identity, Culture, Empire	3	POL_SC 4650	Middle East Politics	3
HIST 4615	Empire's Crossroads: Britain and the Middle East	3	POL_SC 4680	Chinese Politics and Foreign Policy	3
HIST 4650	Revolutionary France, 1789-1815	3	POL_SC 4690	Korean Politics: North and South Korea	3
HIST 4680	From the Rise of the Nazis to the Fall of the Wall: German History in the Twentieth Century	3	POL_SC 4750	Power and Money	3
HIST 4800	Modern China and Japan: War, Imperialism and Memory	3	POL_SC 4800	Classical Political Theory	3
HIST 4821	Constitutionalism in the Americas	3	POL_SC 4810	Modern Political Theory	3
or HIST 4821W	Constitutionalism in the Americas - Writing Intensive		POL_SC 4820	Contemporary Political Theory	3
HIST 4880	Chinese Migration: From Yellow Peril to Model Minority	3	POL_SC 4940	Political Science Internship	3-6
HIST 4910W	History in the Public An Introduction to the Theory & Practice of Public History - Writing Intensive	3	WGST 2020	Feminist Theory	3
			WGST 3260	Gender, Law and Justice	3
			WGST 3450W	Feminist Methodologies - Writing Intensive	3

Note: Students may petition the director of the minor to have a maximum of three (3) hours from a related course not on the list above apply toward the degree. This can include Honors Tutorials associated with the

Kinder Institute (GN_HON 2010H courses). Outside courses may have additional prerequisites.

The following courses have been approved to qualify for the Minor's experiential requirement:

CNST_DEM 4231	Constitutional Litigation	3
or POL_SC 4231	Constitutional Litigation	
CNST_DEM 4835	Race and Politics in South Africa	3
or HIST 4835	Race and Politics in South Africa	
or BL_STU 4835	Race and Politics in South Africa	
CNST_DEM 4900	Beltway History and Politics: American Constitutional Democracy in Theory and Practice	3
or HIST 4900	Beltway History: American Constitutional Democracy in Theory and Practice	
or POL_SC 4900	Beltway History and Politics: American Constitutional Democracy in Theory and Practice	
CNST_DEM 4975	Journal on Constitutional Democracy	1-3
or HIST 4975	Journal on Constitutional Democracy	
or POL_SC 4975	Journal on Constitutional Democracy	
HIST 4075	Global History in Oxford	4
or CNST_DEM 4075	Global History in Oxford	
HIST 4910W	History in the Public An Introduction to the Theory & Practice of Public History - Writing Intensive	3
CNST_DEM 4940	Internship in Constitutional Democracy *	3
or HIST 4940	Internship in History	
or POL_SC 4940	Political Science Internship	

* HIST 4940, CNST_DEM 4940 and POL_SC 4940 can only apply as experiential courses. All others listed above can apply toward either the general coursework or experiential requirement.

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