

# Minor in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics

The Minor in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics offers undergraduate students a guiding framework within which to engage in the multi-disciplinary study of a single set of inter-related questions that concern the proper role of the government, especially with regard to organizing, regulating, taxing, or outlawing economic activity. Addressing such questions requires appeal not only to normative principles—the province of moral and political philosophy—but also to the theory and practice of how both political and economic institutions of different kinds actually work—the provinces of political science and economics. Multi-disciplinary study promises to provide a valuable corrective to the neglect of something in another discipline. The proposed minor will help students to avoid the limitations of a single discipline. The PPE minor will serve students wishing to pursue careers in politics, public service, or policy-making, as well as all those aspiring to thoughtful citizenship.

Students who complete the Minor in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics should be able to:

- Identify the philosophical principles (e.g., of justice) that underlie different views—both their own and others’—of the proper role of the government, especially in economic life;
- Identify assumptions regarding the actual working of political and economic institutions that underlie different views—both their own and others’—of the proper role of the government, especially in economic life;
- Apply relevant philosophical principles to evaluate public policy proposals, especially in economic life;
- Apply relevant knowledge of the actual working of political and economic institutions to evaluate public policy proposals, especially in economic life.

## Requirements

A minor in philosophy, politics, and economics consists of a total of 18 credits.

A minor consists of at least 15 credits, including at least 6 credits numbered 2000 or above. Nine 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>).

### Required Courses

PHIL 2450	Philosophy, Politics, and Economics	3
ECONOM 1014	Principles of Microeconomics	3
POL_SC 1100	American Government	3

### Elective Courses

Choose three courses in at least two of the three disciplines.

ABM 3230	Agricultural and Rural Economic Policy	3
ABM 4990	Economic Analysis of Policy and Regulation	3
ECONOM 3367	Law and Economics	3

ECONOM 4315	Public Economics	3
ECONOM 4340	Introduction to Game Theory	3
ECONOM 4776	Economic History of the United States	3
POL_SC 4320	Public Policy	3
POL_SC 4370	Law, Policy, and Regulation	3
PHIL 2420	Ethical Issues in Business	3
PHIL 2600	Game Theory and Rational Decisions	3
PHIL 4600	Justice, Rights, and the State: An Introduction to Political Philosophy	3

In addition, other courses may count toward the PPE Minor as electives with the special permission of the PPE Minor Coordinator if the courses can be justified by reference to a special interest of the student.