Political Economy, **Certificate**

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In a world of constant political and economic change, what happens in one part of the globe can and does have a major impact on what happens elsewhere. Once you learn about the immediate and reverberating repercussions of political and economic decisions and conditions, you can be a force for positive change.

**Description**

The political economy certificate program engages students in studying the intersection of politics and the economy.

The certificate program helps prepare students for careers in a variety of global and domestic environments.

**At a Glance**

- **College/School:** The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
- **Location:** Tempe campus

**Program Requirements**

Certificate Map (Archives)
2022 - 2023 Certificate Map

The certificate includes courses in political science, economics and other academic areas that relate to politics and the economy. Students majoring in any subject at the university may be awarded the certificate upon completion of the following: a total of 15 credit hours, of which at least 12 credit hours must be upper division. Nine credit hours must be from The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. All courses must be completed with a grade of "C" (2.00 on a 4.00 scale) or higher.
Part One: Economics Foundation (choose one course) -- 3 credit hours

ECN 211: Macroeconomic Principles (SB) (3)
ECN 212: Microeconomic Principles (SB) (3)

Part Two: Politics Foundation (choose one course) -- 3 credit hours

POS 300: Contemporary Global Controversies (SB & G) (3)
POS 310: American National Government (SB) (3)
POS 350: Comparative Politics (SB & G) (3)

Part Three: Political Economics and the World (choose two courses) -- 6 credit hours

ECN 306: Survey of International Economics (SB & G) (3)
ECN 335: South Asia and the World Economy (SB & G) (3)
ECN 360: Economic Development (SB & G) (3)
POS 379: The Resource Curse (3)
POS 465: International Organization and Law (SB & G) (3)
POS 485: Political Economy (SB) (3)
POS 486: International Political Economy (SB & G) (3)

Part Four: Related Elective (choose one course) -- 3 credit hours

GCU 350: The Geography of World Crises (SB & G) (3)
JUS 405: Inequality, Economy and Justice ((L or SB) & G) (3)
PAF 340: Contemporary Policy Challenges (3)
PAF 351: Urban and Metropolitan Studies (3)
PAF 352: Urban Theory (3)
PAF 470: Topics in Public Economics and Financial Management (3)
POS 325: Public Policy Development (SB) (3)
POS 356: European Union (SB & G) (3)
POS 367: World Politics and Global Inequalities (G) (3)
SGS 325 / JUS 325: Globalization and Socio-Economic Justice (SB & G) (3)
SGS 350: Economic Development and Globalization (3)

Prerequisite courses may be needed in order to complete the requirements of this certificate.

Enrollment Requirements

A student pursuing an undergraduate certificate must be enrolled as a degree-seeking student at ASU. Undergraduate certificates are not awarded prior to the award of an undergraduate degree. A student already holding an undergraduate degree may pursue an undergraduate certificate as a nondegree-seeking graduate student.

Career Opportunities
Graduates who have combined the certificate in political economy with their major program of study may become more marketable to employers. They often decide to pursue employment in government, public policy, lobbying, nonprofit agencies or international business.

Advanced degrees or certifications may be required for academic or clinical positions.

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