Master of Arts in  Democracy & Governance

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Democracy & Governance M.A. General Requirements (3 courses/9 credits):

_________ GOVT 564 Comparative Democratization – or – GOVT 645 Theories of Political Development
_________ GOVT 538 Program Design and Evaluation – or – GOVT 541 Research Design
_________ GOVT 657 Political Institutions – or – GOVT 550 Democracy Promotion

Thematic Requirements (4 courses/12 credits):

_________ course from History and Theories of Democracy theme
_________ course from Democracy, Governance and Institutions theme
_________ course from Democracy and Society theme
_________ course from Democracy, Governance and Development Policy theme

Regional Studies in Democracy Requirement (1 course/3 credits):

_________ course on experiences of democracy in a world region

General Electives (6 courses/18 credits):

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Note: Only two courses per year are allowed at the 400-level

Other M.A. Requirements:

_________ Internship option: students may opt to complete an internship in lieu of one or two 3-credit electives
_________ Major Comprehensive Exam: oral
_________ Language Requirement: students must demonstrate reading capability in one language other than English
Specializations:

Students have the opportunity to design a curriculum that will provide them with a number of specializations based on their areas of interest and career goals. Suggested below are a number of possible routes:

**Electoral Studies**
- Constitutions and Rights (GOVT 456)
- Democracy Promotion (GOVT 550)
- International Electoral Policy and Practice (GOVT 553)
- Election Conflict and Integrity (GOVT 554)
- Comparative Democratization (GOVT 564)
- Comparative Constitutional Politics (GOVT 640)
- Political Institutions (GOVT 657)
- Hybrid Regimes and Contemporary Authoritarianism (GOVT 659)

**Democratization and Democracy Promotion:**
- New Democracies (GOVT 441)
- Civil Society in Emerging Democracies (GOVT 532)
- Civil Society and Social Movements (GOVT 542)
- Political Parties in the Developing World (GOVT 543)
- Civil Society and Democratization (GOVT 549)
- Democracy Promotion (GOVT 550)
- International Electoral Policy and Practice (GOVT 553)
- Comparative Democratization (GOVT 564)
- Comparative Constitutional Politics (GOVT 640)
- Theories of Political Development (GOVT 645)
- Political Institutions (GOVT 657)
- Hybrid Regimes and Contemporary Authoritarianism (GOVT 659)
- Post-Conflict Democratization (Varies)

**Governance and Economic Reform**
- Rule of Law (GOVT 551)
- Comparative Political Economy (GOVT 637)
- The Politics of Inequality (GOVT 641)
- Theories of Political Development (GOVT 645)
- Informal Economic Institutions (GOVT 508/GOVT 649)
- Politics of Economic Reform (GOVT 653)
- Political Institutions (GOVT 657)
- Crime, Corruption and Democracy (Varies)
- Political Finance (Varies)

**Methodological Tools for Policy**
- Program Design and Evaluation (GOVT 538)
- Research Methods in Democracy and Democratization (GOVT 549)
- GIS in Environment and Health (STIA 441)
- Statistical Methods (Varies)