

# POL 211: American National Government

This course surveys the background, constitutional principles, organization, and operation of the American political system. Topics include the U. S. Constitution, federalism, civil liberties, civil rights, political parties, interest groups, political campaigns, voting behavior, elections, the presidency, bureaucracy, Congress, and the justice system. Upon completion, students should be able to identify and explain relationships among the basic elements of American government and function as more informed participants of the American political system.

**Credits:** 3

**Lab Hours:** 0

**Lecture Hours:** 3

**Prerequisites:**

Appropriate placement scores.