

**84901 Advanced Quantitative and Qualitative Research Approaches (6 credits)**

1. To acquire knowledge and understanding of the theories and paradigms of quantitative and qualitative research;
2. To acquire knowledge and understanding of methodology of quantitative and qualitative research and to apply them to political science research.

Course covers theories and paradigms of quantitative research, including the theory of knowledge and the sociological positivism paradigm aims to emphasize on finding or testing general conclusions for explanation, prediction or control political behavior by precise using quantitative methodology and techniques to collect data and to analyze data furthermore also cover theories and paradigms of qualitative research, including the theory of construction of reality, hermeneutic paradigm and critical sociology paradigm. Hermeneutics paradigm aims to emphasize on interpret, understand and give meaning to human behavior and social phenomena in their present conditions and critical sociology paradigm aims to emphasize on structural solutions by the prudent using qualitative methodology and techniques to collect data and to analyze data for understanding holistic phenomena in the way that researcher-centered. Both quantitative and qualitative research methodologies can be applied to knowledge acquisition in political science.

## 84902 Seminar in Advanced Political Analysis (6 credits)

1. To study, analyze and critique political theory and political concepts from both Western and Eastern Political Philosophy, from ancient times to the Renaissance, modern, post-modern and contemporary eras;
2. To apply political concepts, political theory and political philosophy as a framework to analyze political phenomena and gain a greater understanding of political problems;
3. To discuss and to exchange ideas about political analysis methods based on conceptual integration and other advanced political analysis methods.

***Course Description***

Course covers political concepts, political theory and political philosophy from the West and the East, from ancient times to the Renaissance, modern, post-modern and contemporary eras, in addition to make a conceptual framework for analyzing political phenomena in order to understand political problems, conceptual integration and advanced methods of political analysis.

**84903 Seminar in Advanced Comparative Politics and Administration (6 credits)*****Objectives***

1. Students are able to explain the concepts and theories underpinning the study of comparative politics and administration.
2. Students are able to apply those concepts and theories in analyzing key political and administrative issues.

***Course Description***

This course explores the concepts and theories used in analyzing comparative politics and administration including the in-depth analysis of governmental regimes, political institutions, communication in socio-political domains, and a number of key topics in comparative politics and administration such as issues concerning interest groups, public policies, social movements, conflicts and terrorism. Moreover, the course also addresses several other topics, e.g., governmental transformation from traditional patterns of organization to a new structure of public administration in the digital era, globalization and the challenge of the ever-fragile security in the new world order, the readiness to face public accountability and effectiveness, and the politics of changing administrative trends on the global stage, etc.

**84904 Seminar in International Relations (6 credits)*****Objectives***

1. To study, analyze, critique and share ideas about international relations and international politics;
2. To apply concepts and theories about international relations in the analysis of political phenomena and to gain an understanding of various problems;
3. To discuss about international relations and present their study results in written form.

***Course Description***

Course covers concepts and theories about international relations and international politics, all the factors that influence international relations types of politics and governments of political, economic and social phenomena in the international relations types of political systems and problems and solutions in international.

**84998 Dissertation (36 credits)**

***Objectives*** Upon completion of the course, students should:

1. To design a research project for a dissertation;
2. To design and develop research tools to collect data for a dissertation;
3. To design data collection methods and data analysis methods for a dissertation;
4. To write a complete dissertation and to write a research paper for publication.

### ***Course Description***

Course covers defining research problems, planning a research project, review literature, making a conceptual framework, research design such as defining population and sample, designing methods to measure the variables and develop appropriate research tools, designing data collection and data analysis, proposing results and discussion, writing a complete dissertation including preparing a research paper based on a dissertation for publication in an academic journal.

### **84999 Doctoral Professional Experience in Political Science**

**(6 credits)**

#### ***Objectives***

1. To promote moral and ethical standards;
2. To develop the body of knowledge about political science;
3. To develop thinking skills, analysis skills and synthesis skills based on political science;
4. To reinforce interpersonal relations skills through group activities and to build up personal responsibility and public responsibility;
5. To improve communication skills and ability to use technology and media to delve information and present their findings.

#### ***Course Description***

Course covers practical thinking, analyzing, and synthesizing knowledge to create new knowledge or extend the existing knowledge in the field of political science through activities that promote ethics, morality, human relations, personal responsibility and public responsibility by using technology and media to delve information and present their findings.

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