ARRUPE POLITICAL SCIENCE (ACPOL)

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**ACPOL 101 American Government and Citizenship (3 Credit Hours)**
This course examines American national government and politics, including institutions, group and electoral processes, and public policy. An underlying theme throughout the course identifies the rights and responsibilities of citizens within the American political system.

*IAI code: SS 900*

*Course equivalencies: ACPOL 101 / PLSC 101*

*Outcomes:*
Students will be able to demonstrate an understanding of the American political system, the patterns of political participation and behavior of diverse individuals and groups in American society, and evaluate the roles and processes of U.S. political institutions.

**ACPOL 200 Introduction to Political Thought (3 Credit Hours)**
An introduction to political thought, covering the principal ideas, controversies and institutions of political society. Authors covered include Plato, Machiavelli, Locke, Hobbes, and Marx.

*Course equivalencies: ACPOL 200 / PLSC 100*

*Outcomes:*
Students will be able to demonstrate an understanding of major approaches to the normative study of politics, to identify the assumptions underlying philosophical arguments, and to critically assess different theories of political justice.

**ACPOL 202 International Relations (3 Credit Hours)**
Competing perspectives on international politics and global issues such as North-South relations, human rights, war and peace, population growth, and environmentalism.

*IAI code: SS 904*

*Course equivalencies: PLSC/PAX/ACPOL102/AFR110/INTS2*

*Outcomes:*
Students will be able to demonstrate an understanding of the main approaches to the study of international politics and to analyze and assess such major substantive issues as interstate war, terrorism, arms control, international political economy and sustainable development.

**ACPOL 205 Power, Rap Music, and Urban America (3 Credit Hours)**
By focusing on rap music and urban American society since the 1960s, this course delves into the social scientific analysis of race, gender, socioeconomic status, and other identities.