

Institute of Political Economy

Loeb Building A818
Telephone: 788-7414
Fax: 788-2154

The Institute

Director of the Institute:

Wallace Clement

The Institute of Political Economy, established in 1989, developed out of the Graduate Summer School of Political Economy, which was formed in 1983. The summer school was built on the strong tradition of interdisciplinary studies at Carleton, and on the interests of numerous faculty at Carleton involved in political economy. Distinguished international scholars have been attracted to teach in the summer school. Through the Institute, these distinguished visitors will now be in residence during the normal academic year, in addition to the summer program.

The Institute offers a program of study and research leading to the degree of Master of Arts in Political Economy, the only program of its kind in Canada. Its interdisciplinary program is designed to offer students both an exposure to the core concepts of political economy and an opportunity to develop individual areas of research concentration.

The program focuses on investigating the relationship between the economy and politics as they affect the social and cultural life of societies, and secondly, focuses on the historical processes whereby social change is located in the interaction of the economic, political, cultural and ideological moments of social life.

Carleton University has developed a strong tradition in political economy. Faculty members from most of the social sciences and history participate regularly in the Institute. The program's curriculum includes courses with a political economy orientation that are offered by other departments, schools, and institutes. The Master of Arts in Political Economy is an opportunity for students to study political economy from the perspective of different disciplines within a single program.

Qualifying-Year Program

Applicants who have a general (pass) bachelor's degree in one of the disciplines represented in the program may be admitted to a qualifying-year program designed to raise their status to that of honours graduates. Students are expected to achieve

at least high honours in qualifying-year courses in order to be considered for admission to the master's program. To be eligible for admission to a qualifying year, normally a student must previously have successfully completed at least four courses in one of the social sciences.

Refer to the general section of the calendar for details of the regulations governing qualifying year.

Master of Arts

Admission Requirements

The normal requirement for admission to the master's program is an honours B.A. with at least high honours standing in one of the disciplines represented in the Institute. Prospective applicants without such qualifications may be considered for admission if they have both a strong academic record and relevant work experience. Such students normally are asked to complete a qualifying year of study with at least high honours standing before proceeding to the master's program.

Program Requirements

The Master of Arts in Political Economy is a five-credit program, one of which may be at the 400 (honours undergraduate) level. Each candidate, in consultation with the Institute, must select and follow one of two optional patterns:

- Three full courses or the equivalent, a thesis worth two credits, and an oral examination of the thesis
- Four full courses or the equivalent, a research essay worth one credit, and an oral examination of the research essay

Whichever pattern is selected, all Institute students are required to take Political Economy 44.500: Theories of Political Economy, and 44.501: The Methodology of Political Economy, two half-credit seminars offered by the Institute.

As well, students must select at least *one* half credit from the following; Sociology 53.525: Canadian Society, *or* Political Science 47.509: Canadian Political Economy, *or* International Affairs 46.588: International Political Economy, *or* Political Science 47.588: International Political Economy, *or* approved equivalents of these courses. Registration in these courses is contingent upon the completion of all prerequisites or, in exceptional cases, obtaining the permission of the relevant department or school. The base course pattern annually available to students would normally be:

Fall Term

- Political Economy 44.500: Theories of Political Economy
- *One of*: Sociology 53.525: Canadian Society, *or* Political Science 47.509: Canadian Political Economy *or* International Affairs 46.588: International Political Economy, *or* Political Science 47.588: International Political Economy
- Political Economy 44.551: Selected Problems in Political Economy I (one half-credit course taught by the visiting professor of the Institute of Political Economy)

Winter Term

- Political Economy 44.501: Methodology of Political Economy
- *One of*: Sociology 53.525: Canadian Society, *or* Political Science 47.509: Canadian Political Economy *or* International Affairs 46.588: International Political Economy, *or* Political Science 47.588: International Political Economy
- Political Economy 44.552: Selected Problems in Political Economy II (one half-credit course taught by the visiting professor of the Institute of Political Economy)

Summer Term

- Political Economy 44.551: Selected Problems in Political Economy I and Political Economy 44.552: Selected Problems in Political Economy II (two half-credit courses taught by the visiting professor of the Institute of Political Economy and two half-credit courses contributed by participating departments).

Academic Standing

All master's candidates must maintain at least B standing (grade point average of 8.0). A candidate may, with the recommendation of the Institute and the approval of the Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, be allowed a grade of C+ in one full-credit course.

Graduate Courses*

The Institute's courses will not normally be open to undergraduate students.

- Political Economy 44.500F1,W1,S1
Theories of Political Economy
A survey of the evolution of the core concepts and ideas proposed by both the founders and modern practitioners of the various approaches to political

economy. Particular attention will be paid to contemporary theorists as well as classical theorists such as Smith, Ricardo, Marx, Mill, Schumpeter, Keynes, Veblen, and Innis.

- Political Economy 44.501F1,W1,S1
The Methodology of Political Economy
An examination of the methods, procedures, and rules for developing theory and guiding inquiry in political economy research, including topics such as logic of inquiry, conceptualization, research design, dialectics, level of analysis, comparison, evidence and statistics.

- Political Economy 44.551F1,W1,S1
Selected Problems in Political Economy I
(Also offered as Sociology 53.554 and Political Science 47.551)

- Political Economy 44.552F1,W1,S1
Selected Problems in Political Economy II
(Also offered as Sociology 53.555 and Political Science 47.552)

- Political Economy 44.590F1,W1,S1
Tutorial in Political Economy
A course of directed readings on selected aspects of political economy, involving preparation of papers as the basis for discussion with the tutor. Offered when no regular course offering meets a candidate's specific needs.

Prerequisite: Permission of the Director.

- Political Economy 44.598F2,W2,S2
Research Essay
Directly linked to the student's course work, the research essay must be interdisciplinary in approach.

- Political Economy 44.599F4,W4,S4
M.A. Thesis
The thesis is an alternative to the research essay. It must also be interdisciplinary in approach, and requires greater substance and originality than the Research Essay. Normally, a student's thesis committee will be composed of members from more than one discipline.

Selection of Courses

In addition to the graduate courses offered by, or associated with, the Institute, the courses listed below are of relevance to students of political economy and would, with the prior approval of the Institute, be used to design a coherent and internally complementary set of courses to fulfil degree requirements. The list is *not exclusive* and is subject to change. Moreover, students may select one full course (or equivalent) in political economy that is offered at the 400 level.

* F,W,S indicates term of offering. Courses offered in the fall *and* winter will be followed by T.

The number following the letter indicates the credit weight of the course: 1 denotes a half-course credit, 2 denotes a full-course credit, etc.

Note: Students should be aware that the number of spaces in graduate courses offered by other departments may be limited, and that registration may be conditional upon obtaining the prior approval of the department concerned. It is the student's responsibility to ensure that permission is obtained from the appropriate department prior to registering in any of the following courses.

The Institute expects to attract high quality graduate students who will be likely to continue to a second post-graduate degree. Given that a Ph.D. program in political economy does not exist, master's students will be directed to consult with the department where they might wish to pursue doctoral studies so that they may select courses that will prepare them for this next stage.

Business

- 42.530 Managing the Multinational Enterprise
- 42.531 Seminar in International Business Management

Canadian Studies

- 12.510 Northern and Native Issues
- 12.520 Women's Studies
- 12.530 Canadian Culture and Cultural Policy

Economics

- 43.511 Canadian Economy I
- 43.521 History of Economic Thought I
- 43.533 Regulation and Public Enterprise
- 43.538 Law and Economics
- 43.541 Public Economics: Expenditure
- 43.542 Public Economics: Taxation
- 43.543 Public Choice
- 43.544 Fiscal Federalism
- 43.550 Theory of Economic Development
- 43.554 Economic Development: Internal Aspects
- 43.555 Economic Development: International Aspects
- 43.586 Comparative Economic Systems I
- 43.587 Comparative Economic Systems II
- 43.607 Research Methods in Economics

Geography

- 45.427 Urban Development and Analysis
- 45.520 Issues in Development in Africa
- 45.540 Territory and Territoriality
- 45.541 Society and Space
- 45.544 Gender and Environments

History

- 24.421 Science and Technology in the Canadian Experience
- 24.422 The Maritimes in Transition, 1840s to 1890s
- 24.425 Selected Problems in the Political Economy of Canadian Labour

- 24.431 Canada from Confederation to the Great War
- 24.433 Selected Problems in Canadian Business 1850-1980
- 24.437 Canada from War to War
- 24.439 Modern Canada since 1939
- 24.458 Selected Problems in Nineteenth- and Twentieth-Century British Social History
- 24.459 Selected Problems in the History of Women and the Family: from the Industrial Revolution
- 24.471 Selected Problems in International Economic History
- 24.525 Society and Culture in Canada, 1850-1939
- 24.530 Canadian Immigration and Ethnic History
- 24.532 Ontario in the Nineteenth Century
- 24.534 Problems of Growth and War in Canada, 1896-1921
- 24.536 Science and Technology in the Canadian Experience
- 24.537 The Maritimes in Transition, 1870s to 1920s
- 24.558 Reform and Society in Mid-Nineteenth Century Britain
- 24.559 Women in Nineteenth- and Twentieth-Century North America and Britain

International Affairs

- 46.511 Canada in the International Political Economy
- 46.541 The International Economics and Politics of Resources
- 46.561 Historical Dimensions of Development and Underdevelopment
- 46.564 Issues in Development in Latin America
- 46.567 Issues in Development in Southeast Asia
- 46.580 Pacific Economic and Political Relationships
- 46.582 The Political Economy of East-West Relations
- 46.583 Political Economy of Eastern Europe

Law

- 51.401 Law, Family and Gender
- 51.402 Feminist Theories of Law
- 51.403 Historical Perspectives on Law, Economy and Society
- 51.405 Contemporary Theories of Law, State and Politics
- 51.502 Law and Gender Relations
- 51.503 Law, Economy and Society
- 51.504 Law, Crime and Social Order
- 51.505 Law, State and Politics
- 51.506 Historical Perspectives on Law and Society
- 51.507 Race, Ethnicity and the Law

- | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|--------|---|
| 51.520 | International Economic Law: Regulation of Trade and Investment | 53.522 | The Anthropology of Underdevelopment |
| 51.532 | Feminism, Law and Social Transformation | 53.525 | Canadian Society |
| <i>Political Science</i> | | 53.527 | Sociology of Formal Organizations |
| 47.400 | Topics in Canadian Government and Politics | 53.529 | Sociology of Science and Technology |
| 47.409 | Politics in Quebec | 53.530 | Social Institutions I |
| 47.412 | Politics of Liberal Democracies | 53.531 | Social Institutions II |
| 47.413 | The State in Advanced Capitalist Countries | 53.532 | The Labour Process |
| 47.414 | Theory and Practice in Third World Development | 53.538 | Feminist Analyses |
| 47.415 | Selected Problems in Third World Development | 53.540 | Political Sociology |
| 47.431 | Marxist Thought | 53.544 | Race, Ethnicity and Class in Contemporary Societies |
| 47.432 | Contemporary Marxism | 53.545 | Power and Stratification |
| 47.441 | Business/Government Relations in Canada | 53.554 | Selected Problems in Political Economy I |
| 47.463 | Analysis of International Political Economy | 53.555 | Selected Problems in Political Economy II |
| 47.464 | Selected Problems in International Political Economy | 53.567 | Ideology, Crime and Law |
| 47.503 | Political Parties in Canada | 53.568 | Women and Work |
| 47.508 | The Politics of Energy and the Environment | 53.584 | Modern Marxist Theory |
| 47.511 | Canadian Federalism | | |
| 47.517 | Selected Problems in African Politics | | |
| 47.522 | Politics of Third World Development | | |
| 47.551 | Selected Issues in Political Economy I | | |
| 47.552 | Selected Issues in Political Economy II | | |
| <i>Public Administration</i> | | | |
| 50.502 | The Political Economy of Regulation | | |
| 50.517 | Public Management in Developing Countries | | |
| 50.519 | Management of Public Enterprise | | |
| 50.520 | Public-Sector Investment and Pricing | | |
| 50.536 | Law of Public Authorities I | | |
| 50.537 | Law of Public Authorities II | | |
| 50.562 | Planning and Evaluation in Government I | | |
| 50.567 | Political Economy of the State | | |
| 50.568 | Policy and Decision Making | | |
| 50.570-572 | Policy Seminars | | |
| <i>Social Work</i> | | | |
| 52.502 | Economics of Welfare | | |
| 52.506 | Women and Welfare | | |
| 52.510 | History and Philosophy of Social Welfare | | |
| 52.511 | Social Policy Analysis | | |
| 52.514 | Housing Policy | | |
| 52.515 | Poverty and Wealth | | |
| 52.519 | Seminar in Social Policy | | |
| 52.530 | Social Change and Social Welfare | | |
| <i>Sociology and Anthropology</i> | | | |
| 53.500 | Classical Sociological Theory | | |
| 53.502 | Contemporary Sociological Theory | | |
| 53.507 | Social Change and Economic Development | | |
| 53.509 | Philosophy of Social Science I | | |
| 53.511 | Research Design and Data Analysis | | |
| 53.519 | Development, Dependency and Gender | | |