

1.	School	Prince Al Hussein bin Abdullah II School for political science and international studies
2.	Department	Department of Political Science
3.	Degree title (Arabic)	الدكتوراه في العلوم السياسية
4.	Degree title (English)	PhD. in Political Science

Plan Number	01	09	04	040	2023	Dissertation
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First: General Rules & Conditions:

1. This plan conforms to valid regulations of the programs of graduate studies.

2. Specialties of Admission:

- Maser and Bachelor's degrees in political science and its branches
- Master's degree in social and human sciences
- Master's in any field of knowledge

Second: Special Conditions: None

Third: Study Plan: Studying (54) Credit Hours as following:

1. Obligatory Courses (21) credit hours:

Course No.	Course Title	Credit Hrs	Theory	Practical	Pre/Co-requisite
3004901	Scientific Research Methods in Political Science	3	3	---	---
3004902	Public International Law	3	3	---	---
3004903	Theories of International Relations * ¹	3	3	---	---
3004904	Theories of Comparative Politics * ¹	3	3	---	---
3004905	Seminar in Comparative Politics	3	3	---	---
3004906	Political Theory	3	3	---	---
3004919	International and Regional Organizations	3	3	---	---

2. Elective Courses (15) Credit Hours: from the following:

Course No.	Course Title	Credit Hrs	Theory	Practical	Pre/Co-requisite
3004907	International Political Economy	3	3	---	---
3004908	Seminar in Political Theory	3	3	---	---

3004909	Western Political Thought	3	3	---	---
3004910	Arab Islamic Political Thought	3	3	---	---
3004911	Democratic Theory	3	3	---	---
3004912	Public Policy and Political Theory	3	3	---	---
3004913	Political Development	3	3	---	---
3004914	Seminar in Jordanian Politics	3	3	---	---
3004915	Regional Studies	3	3	---	---
3004916	Diplomacy and Negotiation	3	3	---	---
3004917	Human Rights and Human Development	3	3	---	---
3004918	Political Psychology	3	3	---	---
3004920	Political Parties: Theory and Practice	3	3	---	---
3004921	Quantitative Analysis in Political Science	3	3	---	---
3004922	Middle Eastern Politics	3	3	---	---
3004923	The Arab World in International Politics	3	3	---	---

3. Pass the qualifying exam (3004998).

4. Thesis: (18) Credit hours (3004999).

*notes:

*¹This course taught in English

Course Description

3004901 Scientific Research Methods in Political Science

(3 Credit hours)

This is an advanced course in methodological, theoretical and technical issues in political science. The course focuses on the philosophy of social sciences. It analyzes the issues of conceptualization, of descriptive inference, objectivity, and causal inference. Methodology topics include: experimental and observational approaches to estimating causal effects, measuring political preferences from data, statistical analysis with computer application and different methods and techniques in studying political science and international relations.

3004902 Public International Law

(3 Credit hours)

The course aims to provide students with an introduction about the nature and sources of International Law, its relations with the domestic law, its actors, the state and International responsibility. Also the role of International Law in international conflicts and disputes and the distinction between the legal and political dispute. As well as the means of peaceful settlement of international dispute by negotiations, mediations and investigations, etc.

The course addresses judicial means which lead to abiding international conflict solutions such as international arbitration, the International Court of Justice, the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea and others. As well as clarify the role of international and regional organizations in solving international disputes.

3004903 Theories of International Relation^{1*}

(3 Credit hours)

The course provides a critical study of traditional and contemporary I.R. theories and analysis of international political behavior, including: power theory, balance of power theory, systems theory, strategic theories, economic theories, psychological theories, communication theory, and game theory, as well as critical approaches and trends.

3004904 Theories of Comparative Politics^{1*}

(3 Credit hours)

A survey of various paradigms in comparative politics, focusing on theories of behavior, institutional, development, and radical approaches. This course will concentrate on the attributes of governments which include western liberal democracy, as reflected in parliamentary and presidential systems; dictatorships, theocracies, National Socialism; fascism, and communism.

3004905 Seminar in Comparative Politics

(3 Credit hours)

A graduate seminar on selected relevant topics in comparative politics will be arranged. Throughout the seminar presentations will discuss ongoing research by the School's graduate students, faculty professors, and invited external speakers in a rigorous and critical environment. PhD students critically discuss week's paper, the presenter responds, and discussion ensues.

3004906 Political Theory

(3 Credit hours)

This course is an introduction to contemporary political theory it focuses on the theoretical and philosophical approaches to the study of politics. Themes include: theories of justice, democracy, republicanism, power and collective action.

3004907 International Political Economy (3 Credit hours)

The purpose of this course is to provide a comprehensive and critical overview of the major concepts, theories, issues and debates on the international political economy. The central concern of the course is the study of the political aspects of the international economy and the effects of economic process on international politics. Students will be introduced to the following major issues and themes include; the role of state in production, distribution, and consumption, trade policy preferences and interest groups; domestic and international institutions and trade; the politics of international debt; and the domestic political effects of globalization, political structure and its effects on global financial crisis, and the political economy of reform.

3004908 Seminar in Political Theory (3 Credit hours)

This is a graduate seminar on selected relevant topics in political theory will be arranged. Throughout the seminar presentations will discuss of ongoing research by the School's graduate students, faculty professors, and invited external speakers in a rigorous and critical environment. PhD students will critically discuss and analyze the week's topic.

3004909 Western Political Thought (3 Credit hours)

This course will compare and contrast the theories of politics, the state, freedom, democracy, justice, sovereignty and law, in the works of the key figures of the classical and medieval writings along with the 20th and 21st century theorists. Readings include works by Hobbes, Spinoza, Locke, Montesquieu, Rousseau, Kant, Hegel, Tocqueville, Marx, Mill, and others.

3004910 Arab Islamic Political Thought (3 Credit hours)

This course is an introductory course to Islamic thought focusing primarily on contemporary Arab Islamic thought. The central concern of this course is the study of the ideational progress in Islamic thought. The course provides an overview of main ideas and issues that have impacted Islamic thinking and Muslim politics over the last two centuries. In addition, the course will introduce leading and influential thinkers and texts that have played key role in shaping the Muslim Mind. Students will be introduced to various methodological and theoretical approaches in studying religious and political thought. Class time will be divided between lecture and discussion.

3004911 Democratic Theory (3 Credit hours)

This course offers critical assessment of the major approaches in democratic theory. The principal goal of the course is to provide both a historical section that surveys democratic thought, and contemporary issues in democratic theory section. Towards the end of the course, students will also come to problematize the schematic representation of the field, and question its basic premises.

3004912 Public Policy and Political Theory (3 Credit hours)

This course aims to analyze the formation of public policy in the political context with an emphasis on process of long term policy development. Theories from political science and public policy studies are assessed using case studies in contemporary policy areas, including tax, social welfare, and environmental policy. Each student also studies a policy issue of their own choice.

3004913 Political Development

(3 Credit hours)

The course will introduce the development of, and relationship among the three constituent features of the modern political world: states, nations and democracy. The course will analyze patterns of development through the world; including the liberal, fascist, socialist, militaristic, and the developing state; the horse-rider theory, and the mutual theory resulting from current forms of international cooperation.

3004914 Seminar in Jordanian Politics

(3 Credit hours)

This course aims to shed the light on the Jordanian political system and the development of political life in Jordan and to focus on key issues such as political reform, and legislative – Executive and Judicial their structures, also the study of constitutional amendments in 2011 and their impact on the relationship between the authorities and the regional Interior and the role of the Parliament in legislation and Executive branch, the course deals in the role of affect of regional crisis on the country. Political parties and challenges, and political participate in Jordan and an overview about the of Jordan's foreign policy.

3004915 Regional Studies

(3 Credit hours)

This course introduces students to key regional and global issues and themes in an increasingly interconnected world. The course also presents inter-disciplinary perspectives in theoretical and methodological issues pertaining to regional studies. The course introduces thematic elements of regional studies, including historical developments of the discipline, organizations, actors, trends, and phenomena. Students will also assess local issues and events within cultural and historical contexts. Specific case studies will be chosen to reflect current regional affairs.

3004916 Diplomacy and Negotiations

(3 Credit hours)

This course offers a broad overview of the diplomatic theory, the conditions and prerequisites of diplomatic action; the patterns of diplomatic and negotiation activities; case studies, regionally as well as internationally; treaty making designed for international cooperation; and peaceful resolution of conflicts.

3004917 Human Rights and Human Development

(3 Credit hours)

This is an introductory course to the central concepts, ideas, and debates in the field of human rights and human development. The course provides a comparative overview of the various philosophical, religious, and theoretical grounding of human rights. The course explores controversies in the concept of rights, and problems involved in asserting universal moral standards across political and cultural divides will be explored. These concepts and debates will then be applied in context of specific human rights controversies.

3004918 Political Psychology

(3 Credit hours)

This course provides an overview of psychological approaches to politics. It examines the concept of political psychology and its historical revolution, focusing on the emergence and definition of political behavior, trends, political values, and patterns of political socialization, the definition of political participation, motives, values and patterns. Topics include prejudice and stereotyping, group identity, analysis of elites, authority and social influence, communication and persuasion, rationality and political reasoning, ideology and self-interest.

3004919 International and Regional Organizations

(3 Credit hours)

This course aims to introduce students to the concept of the international organization and regional organizations based upon the U.N charter in particular, what originated them after the first two world wars and through the historical review of the originated these organizations and the international environment also the influenced the establishment process which appear on the international stage. This course also aims to demonstrate the effectiveness of these organizations and the positive or some of them failed to achieve the objectives which it was created upon, as well as competence and legal nature and divisions and the nature of the employee and the role of the body of the United Nations and specialized institutions, giving the models for their role in the political and humanitarian dimensions In many regions of the world. This course depends on lectures, discussions and research.

3004920 Political Parties: Theory and Practice

(3 Credit hours)

This course aims to introduce concepts and theories in the study of political parties. It also analyzes the place of political parties in the political system and their relationship among each other. Topics to be covered include; party formation and development, the role of parties in the society, how political parties are organization, electoral systems, ethnic parties, and the failure of party consolidation.

3004921 Quantitative Analysis in Political Science

(3 Credit hours)

The primary purpose of this course is to introduce PhD students on how to use the logic of Quantitative Analysis essential for formal quantitative analysis in political science. It equips students with a basic set of tools needed to read, evaluate, and contribute in political science research areas that increasingly utilize sophisticated mathematical techniques. In addition it aims to introduce students with the modern methods in political theory, international relations, and comparative politics. Topics include calculus algebra, and probability theory.

3004922 Middle Eastern Politics

(3 Credit hours)

This course is a brief survey of some of the important themes of Arab politics since the formation of the contemporary state system. The central concern of this course is the study of the dynamics of domestic politics in contemporary Arab countries. Students will be introduced to various methodological and theoretical approaches in political science and area studies. Topics include: historical overview of modern Arab states, the Arab mind and thought including Arab nationalism and Islamism, the political economy of the Arab states, democracy and democratization in the Arab world and the issues of human development and human rights.

3004923 The Arab World in International Politics

(3 Credit hours)

This course is an advanced survey in Arab, politically and economic as well as the elements that affect these relations, topics cover inter-Arab relations, the relations between the Arab world and the U.S.A, Europe, and the non- Arab Islamic world, and the development of these relations in view of the strategic effects impacting the Arab world.

* ¹ This course taught in English