

# CONSTITUTIONAL STUDIES MINOR

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The Constitutional Studies minor is designed to develop a student's understandings of the foundations of law in general as well as the American constitutional system in particular. Students will study the purpose and moral foundations of law as well as different methodological interpretations of legal texts, particularly the U.S. Constitution. In addition, students in the minor will develop the capacity to analyze the decisions of the U.S. Supreme Court. Students will also study the American regime by analyzing the writings of American statesmen and jurists and understanding their philosophic influences.

Students earning the Constitutional Studies minor cannot also earn the Politics and Government major or minor.

Students who seek to complete a minor in constitutional studies must complete a minimum of 60% of their credits at Benedictine College.

## Requirements for a Minor in Constitutional Studies

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Required Courses</b>		
POLS-1800 or POLS-1200	Principles of American Government Foundations US Constitutionalism	3
POLS-3750	American Constitutional Development	3
POLS-3760 or POLS-3765	Fundamental Freedoms: First Amendment Civil Rights: 14th Amendment	3
POLS-4000	American Founding	3
POLS-4094	Jurisprudence	3
One elective approved by Department Chair		3
<b>Recommended Elective Course</b>		
POLS-1250	Catholic & Contemporary Engag W/ US Const	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>18</b>