



NORTHWEST
NAZARENE UNIVERSITY

American Legion Gem Boys State June 18 - 23, 2023

POLS1000 Introduction to American Government

Course Syllabus

Course Description: Offered in conjunction with Boys State, a one-week program designed as a leadership action experience, which allows self-participation in the election and legislative process of American government. **Note:** This course (2 credits) counts toward elective credits but not toward major field requirements.

Evaluation Procedure: Pass/Fail

EDUCATIONAL GOALS FOR THE COURSE

- Introduction to American government
- Gain knowledge of the role of the legislature in society to value the processes of a government of the people, by the people, and for the people.
- Learn the source, structure, appropriation, and effect of state finances.

INSTRUCTIONAL LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Student will learn and practice skills in:

Political party participation	Caucus procedures	Platform formulation
Political campaign participation	Candidate selection	Election procedures
Legislative process	Drafting legislation	Passing legislation
House/Senate organization		

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

- Attend and participate in all classes and activities of Boys State
- Successfully complete all assignments in and outside of class based on recommendation of the instructor
- Attend special sessions on **TBD**

COURSE INFORMATION

- At the end of the course, you will receive a pass/fail grade which will be entered on a permanent NNU transcript. Additional transcript copies may be requested online at www.nnu.edu/transcripts.
- NNU credits are transferable; however, it is recommended that you check with your potential college to ensure that the credits will transfer.
- Accreditation information: Northwest Nazarene University is fully accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU), the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education, the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Education programs, the National Association of Schools of Music, the Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs, the Council on Social Work Education, and the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.

REGISTRATION

1. Register online at nnu.edu/concurrentcredit
 - a. Please use your full legal name & your primary email address that you check regularly.
 - b. All registration/enrollment correspondence will be sent via email.
2. Allocate Advance Opportunities Funds for this course at advancedops.sde.idaho.gov
 - a. If you cannot use AO Funds, please pay tuition at the time of registration by selecting “credit card” option
 - b. If AO Funds do not get allocated, you will be billed for tuition.

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