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Here are courses listed for fall 2025 that meet PPE reqs (beyond prereqs and honors). Also some theme ideas on next page. If you find any errors or omissions, please let us know (ppe-advising@umich.edu).

If you take one of these courses via a cross-registration in a different department, after you are enrolled (vs. waitlisted) for the course, [and after you have declared PPE,] tell us so we can make your course count.

Not all of these courses are automatically added to checklists. After you enroll and a few days pass, let us know if anything's missing.

Your online checklists might erroneously count a single course for two PPE requirements. Please check for this, because double-counting is not allowed, even if the checklist says so. You will have to let us know the single requirement for which you wish to use the course, and we can correct your checklist.

PPE CORE

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[ECON 401 Intermediate Microeconomic Theory](#)

[PPE 300 Introduction to Political Economy](#)

[PPE 400 Seminar in Political Economy](#) (Econ Inequality)

PPE STATISTICS

PPE recommends alternatives to STATS 250 for social scientists.

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[ECON 251 Intro to Statistics & Econometrics II](#) (two sects)

[ECON 451 Intermediate Intro to Statistics & Econometrics I](#)

[POLSCI 300 Quantitative Empirical Methods of Political Science](#)

[STATS 250 Introduction to Statistics & Data Analysis](#) (many sects)

[STATS 280 Honors Intro to Statistics & Data Analysis](#)

[STATS 412 Intro to Probability & Statistics](#) (two sections)

[STATS 426 Introduction to Theoretical Statistics](#)

PPE FORMAL METHODS

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[ECON 398 Strategy](#) (can't double-count for Political Economy)

[ECON 409 Game Theory](#) (can't double-count for Political Economy)

[ECON 452 Intermediate Intro to Statistics & Econometrics II](#)

[PHIL 303 Intro to Symbolic Logic](#)

[PHIL 343 Intro to Rational Choice Theory](#)

[POLSCI 381 Political Science Research Design](#)

(take in Junior year for PolSci track of PPE honors)

[POLSCI / CMLXSYS 391 Intro to Modeling Political Processes](#)

(can't double-count for Political Economy)

[POLSCI 489.002 Intro to Computational Political Sci](#)

[POLSCI 490 Game Theory & Formal Models](#)

[STATS / MATH 425 Intro to Probability](#) (many sections)

[MATH 423 Mathematics of Finance](#) (many sections)

[MATH 472 Numer. Meths. w/ Finan. Appl'ns](#) (many sects)

PPE NORMATIVE THEORY

This req or the theme must include at least one PHIL course.

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[ECON 490.200 Ethics in Econ Behavior](#)

[PHIL 361 Ethics](#)

[PHIL 367 19th-C Social & Political Phil](#)

[PHIL 442 Topics in Political Phil](#)

[POLSCI 402 Liberalism & Its Critics](#)

[POLSCI 409 20th-C Political Thought](#)

[POLSCI 447 / INTLSTD 401.011 Politics of Human Rights](#)

No sections of POLSCI 495 count this term

PPE POLITICAL ECONOMY

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[ANTHRCUL 357 Seminar: Confronting Inequality](#)

[ECON 340 Int'l Econ](#)

[ECON 380 Public Finance](#)

No sections of ECON 396 count this term

[ECON 398 Strategy](#) (can't double-count for Formal Methods)

[ECON 402 Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory](#)

[ECON 409 Game Theory](#) (can't double-count for Formal Methods)

[ECON 427 Crime, Econ & Public Policy](#)

[ECON 442 Int'l Finance](#)

[ECON 461 Topics in Econ Development](#)

[ECON 462 Econ Development](#) (doesn't presuppose 461)

[ECON / EAS 471 Environmental Econ](#)

[ECON 485 Law and Economics](#)

[ECON 487 Urban Economics](#)

[ECON 490.300 Econ of Crime](#)

[ECON 490.500 Econ of Entrepreneurship](#)

[ENVIRON / EARTH 380 Natural Resources, Econ, & Environment](#)

[POLSCI 362 / HISTORY 312 History of European Integration](#)

No sections of POLSCI 389 count this term

[POLSCI 391 / CMLXSYS Intro to Modeling Political Processes](#)

(can't double-count for Formal Methods)

[SOC 315 Econ Sociology: Money, Markets, & Power](#)

[SOC / WGS 451 Women, Inequality, & Work](#)

[SOC 460 Economic Globalization](#)

----- SOME THEME IDEAS (among many many more) ON NEXT PAGE -----

----- S O M E T H E M E I D E A S (among many many more) -----

Any specific course in this Suggested Theme list, or in the Political Economy or Normative Theory lists above, would make a good start to some theme idea(s), as long as it is not a mini-course, and as long as you are not using it for any other PPE requirement. You may safely choose one such course to start your theme with, without seeking prior approval. (It's less safe to choose multiples without prior approval, because they must fit together.) Just make sure it's on a theme topic you are willing to see to completion.

*These caught an eye as we read through the course guide.
Meant to help you escape ruts, not meant to create them.
Remember: you need two 400+ and one 300+ ≥3-credit courses,
which cohere but aren't too redundant, and
relate (loosely) to some aspect(s) of
ethics, choice, gov't, production, or consumption;
you need to draw courses from two different disciplines
(e.g., two LSA depts, or two UM colleges)—
not limited to phil, polsci, and econ depts; and
you need to get your plan approved by a PPE advisor
(typically in your junior year).
Use the keyword section of the course guide!*

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[AAS 332 / ENVIRON 335 Environ Politics: Race, Class & Gender](#)
[AAS 495.002 Justice in Africa](#)
[AMCULT / AMAS 356 / RCSTP 359 Law & Border](#)
[AMCULT 498.005 ... World w/o Racism, Capitalism, & Patriarchy?](#)
[ANTHRARC 482 Creation of Inequality](#)
[ASIAN 334 Race, Religion, & Caste in India & America](#)
[CMLXSYS 401.100 History & Philosophy of Complex Systems](#)
[COMM 305.022 Reputation Management for Global Business](#)
[COMM 307 Influencers](#)
[COMM 317 ... Persuasion: Creative Content & Campaign Strategy](#)
[COMM 323 News Media Ethics](#)
[COMM 343 Public Relations](#)
[COMM 370 Social Networks](#)
[COMM 332 Advertising Strategy](#) [two sections]
[COMPLIT 300 Debt & Indebtedness](#)
[DIGITAL 357 History of Internet](#)
[DIGITAL 366 The Digital City](#)
[ECON 310 Money & Banking](#)
[ECON 325 Econ of Education](#)
[ECON 395.200 Topics – Mechanisms & Contracts](#)
[ECON 396.001 Topics – Econ of Crises](#)
[ECON 408 Experiments in Econ](#)
[ECON 420 Analysis of Modern Labor Markets](#)
[ECON 421 Labor Econ 1](#)
[ECON 490.100 Corporate Governance](#)
[ECON 490.400 Econ of Education & Human Capital](#)
[ECON 495.001 Gender & Labor Market](#)
[ENGLISH 346 Revolutionary Theatre: US 1960s](#)
[ENVIRON 302.005 / RCSTP 350 / SOC 295 Ethical Consumption](#)
[ENVIRON 320 / ENGLISH 343/STS 330 Environmental Journalism](#)
[ENVIRON 340 Climate Policy & Justice](#)
[ENVIRON 408 Land Use Policy, Law, & Environment](#)
[ENVIRON 434 Poverty & Environ in US & Colombia: Podcasting](#)
[FRENCH 379 Men at Work](#) [in French]
[FRENCH 444 / SPANISH 445 Comparative Marxism](#) [in English]

[HISTORY / ASIAN 354 Modern China](#)
[HISTORY 407 Advanced Study ...](#) [inter-Amer Human Rights Law]
[INTLSTD 370 Indigenous Politics](#)
[INTLSTD 386 Int'l Security Affairs](#)
[INTLSTD 401.002 / ORGSTUDY 495 World Public Service Reform](#)
[INTLSTD 401.006 Humanitarian Dilemmas](#)
[INTLSTD 401.009 Human Rights Movemnts & Int'l Law Americas](#)
[ORGSTUDY / ENVIRON 419 Biz, Sustainability, & Justice](#)
[ORGSTUDY 455 / SOC 495.002 Organizational Wrongdoing](#)
[ORGSTUDY 490 Research ...](#) [on] Psych of [Racial] Inequality
[PHIL / COMPLIT 310 Rights & Races](#) [not same as next]
[PHIL / COMPLIT 311 Rights & Races](#) [not same as prev]
[PHIL 356 Issues in Bioethics](#)
[PHIL 463 / GERMAN 401 19th-C ... European Intellectual History](#)
[POLSCI 314 Congress vs Presidency: Battle for Control](#)
[POLSCI 372 Int'l Security Affairs](#)
[POLSCI 385 / LACS 490 Indigenous Politics](#) [2-credit minicourse;
an advisor might count two such as one theme course, or
require pairing one such with a 4-credit theme course]
[POLSCI 386 / SOC 379 Sports, Politics, & Society](#)
[POLSCI 389.001 Intro to the American Right](#)
[POLSCI 389.002 / INTLSTD 386.002 Int'l Organization](#)
[POLSCI 389.004 / INTLSTD 386.003 Authoritarian Politics](#)
[POLSCI 389.006 / INTLSTD 301 State Repression of Human Rights](#)
[POLSCI 389.013 Challenges Facing American Democracy](#)
[POLSCI 389.017 Politics of US Police & Prisons](#)
[POLSCI 389.021 / PSYCH 393 Political Psychology](#)
[POLSCI 395 Russia & Soviet Union](#) [many xlists]
[POLSCI 421 Law & Gender](#)
[POLSCI 449 Legal Theory](#)
[next two seem to have same time, place, prof, & description]
[POLSCI 489.006/INTLSTD 401.004 Colonialism, Neo-col & Globalzn](#)
[POLSCI 489.007/INTLSTD 401.005 Polit Econ of Global Capitalism](#)
[POLSCI 489.013 US-China-Taiwan Relations](#)
[POLSCI 495.001 Revolutionary Polit Thought in Early America ...](#)
[POLSCI 496.002 Racial Attitudes in US & World](#)
[PSYCH 446 Altruism](#)
[PSYCH 449 Decision Processes](#)
[PSYCH 466 Origins of Moral Behavior](#)
[PSYCH 487 Psychology of Prejudice](#)
[PUBPOL Schedule / Course Guide](#)
[PUBPOL 474.001 Social Inequality & Violence](#)
[PUBPOL 475.004 Great Power Rivalry & Int'l Order](#)
[PUBPOL 475.009 Race, Place, & Inequality](#)
[PUBPOL 475.011 Education Policy & Economic Mobility](#)
[PUBPOL 475.023 Wealth & Power in Public Policy](#)
[PUBPOL 479.001 Evaluating Public Policies](#)
[RCLANG 324.002 Indigenous Activism ...](#) [Globaliztn] [in Spanish]
[RCSTP 365 Excellence, Equity, & Politics of Education](#)
[ROB / CSE 543 Ethics for AI & Robotics](#)
[ROSS/BIZ Course Descriptions](#) (choose term & program-or-area)
The Wolverine Access link, there, leads to the schedule.
[SOC 354 Law & Society](#)
[SOC / RCSTP 408 Restorative Justice, Decarceration, Abolition](#)
[SOC 326/SW 305 Community Act & Soc Chng](#) [many sects/topics]
[SOC 495.003 Sociology of Colonialism & Empire](#) [...Marx...]
[SOC 495.007 Restorative Justice, Prison Reform, Abolition](#) [~ 408]
[SPANISH 443 Spanish Fascism as Social Order](#) [seems in Spanish?]
[WGS 416 Feminist & Queer Sex Work](#)