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Here are courses listed for winter 2025 that meet PPE reqs (beyond prereqs and honors). Also some theme ideas on next page. If you find errors or omissions or broken links, 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](#) Adam Smith on Econ & Eth

PPE STATISTICS

PPE recommends the alternatives to STATS 250 for social scientists.

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[DATASCI 101 Intro to Data Analysis](#)

[ECON 251 Intro to Statistics & Econometrics II](#) (2 sections)

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

[STATS 250 Intro to Statistics & Data Analysis](#) (many sections)

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

[STATS 412 Intro to Probability & Statistics](#) (2 sections)

NOT [STATS 425 / MATH 425](#) (was wrongly listed; see FM below)

[STATS 426 Introduction to Theoretical Statistics](#) (2 sections)

PPE FORMAL METHODS

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

[ECON 407 Behavioral Econ](#)

[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 413 Formal Philosophical Methods](#)

[PHIL 443 Foundations of Rational Choice Theory](#)

[POLSCI 373 Data Science for Int'l Studies](#)

[POLSCI 381 Political Science Research Design](#)

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

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

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

[MATH 472 Numerical Methods w Financial Applicat'ns](#) (2 sects)

PPE NORMATIVE THEORY

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

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[PHIL 355 Contemporary Moral Problems](#) (W25 term only)

[PHIL 359 Law & Phil](#)

[PHIL 361 Ethics](#)

[PHIL 366 Intro to Political Phil](#)

[PHIL 486 / WGS 486 Feminist Phil](#)

[POLSCI 301 Devel of Political Thought: To Modern Period](#)

[POLSCI 302 Devel of Political Thought: Modern & Recent](#)

[POLSCI 306 American Political Thought: Early](#)

[POLSCI 401 / WGS 422 Feminist Political Theory](#)

[POLSCI 406 Democratic Theory](#)

[POLSCI 407 Marxism & 20th C Radicalism](#)

No sections of ~~POLSCI 495~~ count this term

PPE POLITICAL ECONOMY

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[AAS 408 African Economies: Social & Political Settings](#)

[ASIAN 490 / PUBPOL-SOC 428 Contemporary China](#)

[ECON 340 International Economics](#)

NOT ~~ECON 396.001~~, because it's a minicourse

[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 432 Government Regulation of Industry](#)

[ECON 441 Int'l Trade Theory](#)

[ECON 442 Int'l Finance](#)

[ECON 482 Government Revenue](#)

[ECON 485 Law and Economics](#)

[ECON 487 Urban Econ](#)

[ECON 490.500 Micro: Econ of Crime](#)

[ECON 495.002 Seminar: Econ of Social Policy](#)

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

[ORGSTUDY 490 Rethinking Governance: Public & Private Orgs](#)

[POLSCI 340 Governments & Politics in Western Europe](#)

[POLSCI 387 Comparative Analysis of Gov't Institutions](#)

[POLSCI 389.015 Political Institutions & Econ Development](#)

[POLSCI 432 Law & Public Policy](#)

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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)—so these courses are

not hereby guaranteed to count for your theme.

Use the keyword section of the course guide!

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[AAS 321 / SOC 323 African American Social Thought](#)

[AMCULT 395 Migrants: Inequalities in US Agricultural Workforce](#)

[AMCULT 498.004 How \[to\] Build a World w/o ... Capitalism ...?](#)

[CLCIV 389 Phil of Happiness: From Ancient Wisdom to Modern Sci](#)

[COGSCI 401 Cognitive Science & Generative AI](#)

[COMM 305.007 Reputation Management for Global Business](#)

[COMM 307.001 Marketing for Social Change](#)

[COMM 307.002 Influencers](#)

[COMM 370 Social Networks](#)

[ECON 320 Survey of Labor Econ](#)

[ECON 421 Labor Economics I](#)

[ECON 395 Micro: Corporate Finance](#)

[ECON 490.200 Micro: Corporate Governance](#)

[ECON 490.300 Micro: Econ of Education & Human Capital](#)

[ECON 490.400 Micro: Applying Behavioral Econ](#)

[ECON 495.001 Seminar: Gender & Labor Market](#)

[ENGLISH 407 Literature & Human Rights](#)

[ENVIRON 304 Nature & Ethics of Intervention](#)

[ENVIRON 320 / ENGLISH 343/STS 330 Environmental Journalism](#)

[ENVIRON 475 Environmental Law](#)

[FRENCH 444 / SPANISH 445 Comparative Marxism](#)

[HISTORY 343 / AMCULT 341 Rise of the Corporation](#)

[HISTORY 475 History of Socialism](#)

[INTLSTD / HISTORY 300 History & Practice of Human Rights](#)

[INTLSTD / RCSTP 352 Global Workers' Rights](#)

[INTLSTD 401.003 Global Climate Justice](#)

[INTLSTD 401.011 History of Inter-American Human Rights Law](#)

(see [HISTORY 407](#), but *might* overlap too much to combine)

[MATH 422 / BE 440 Risk Management & Insurance](#) (2 sections)

[NAVSCI 402 Leadership & Ethics](#)

[ORGSTUDY 420 Nonprofit Organizations](#)

[ORGSTUDY 495.002 Credit, Debt, & Financing of American Ineq](#)

[PHIL 362 Data & the Just Society](#)

[PHIL 376 Environmental Ethics](#)

[PHIL 406 Aristotle\['\]s Ethics\]](#)

[PHIL 429 Ethical Analysis](#)

[PHIL 475 20th-C German & European Thought](#)

[POLSCI 315 Media & Public Opinion](#)

[POLSCI 316 History of Law & Social Justice](#)

[POLSCI 334 Communism & Capitalism in E Europe](#) (many xlists)

[POLSCI 339 China's Evolution Under Communism](#)

[POLSCI 347 Politics & Society in Latin America](#)

[POLSCI 389.002 Politics of Police & Prisons in US](#)

[POLSCI 389.009 Int'l Organizations](#)

[POLSCI 389.016 How to Resist an Autocrat](#)

[POLSCI 434 / HISTORY 434 Russia/USSR in 20th & 21st Centuries](#)

[POLSCI 489.004 US-China-Taiwan Relations](#)

[POLSCI 489.006 Constitutional Engineering in Democracies](#)

[POLSCI 489.008 Colonialism ... & Globalization](#)

[PSYCH 393 Political Psychology](#)

[PSYCH 401.006 Science of Happiness](#)

[PUBPOL Schedule / Course Guide](#)

[PUBPOL 310 Public Policy Using an Econ Framework](#)

[PUBPOL 474.001 Philanthropy](#)

[PUBPOL 474.002 Sci, Tech, & Public Good](#)

[PUBPOL 474.003 Social Justice & Political Conflicts](#)

[PUBPOL 475.001 Psychology of Climate Change](#)

[PUBPOL 475.002 Lessons from Japanese Economy](#)

[PUBPOL 475.009 \[Politics of\] Climate Change](#)

[RCLANG 324.003 Indigenous Activisms in Age of Globalization](#)

[REEES 405.002 / ENVIRON 462.005 Topics: Russia & Environment](#)

[ROSS/BIZ Course Descriptions \(pop-ups\)](#) (Program = Non-Biz UG)

[BL 302 Law for Businesses](#)

[BL 413 Law of Marketing](#)

[BL 488 Business & Public Policy](#)

[FIN 317 Investment Banking](#)

[MO 350 Advancing DEI in Business & Beyond](#)

[SI 410 / DIGITAL 410 / AMCULT 410 Ethics & Info Technology](#)

[SOC 331 Politics of Data](#)

[SOC 476 Sociology of Bioethics](#)

[SPANISH 438.001 Slavery & Racial Capitalism in Americas](#)

[SPANISH 438.002 Political & Economic \[History of\] Latin America](#)

[SPANISH 443.002 Human Rights in Americas](#)

[SW 305 Community Action & Social Change](#) (many sections)

[THTREMUS 328 / ENGLISH 311 Theater of Politics](#)

[THTREMUS 335 / RCDRAMA 335 Theatre & Incarceration](#)

[WGS 330 Feminist Thought](#)

[WGS 377 Racial, Gender, & Class Politics of Taking a Break](#)

[WGS 433 Border Country: Mexico, America, & Country Music](#)