



Bachelor of Arts in CLEG

(COMMUNICATIONS, LEGAL INSTITUTIONS,
ECONOMICS & GOVERNMENT)



SAMPLE CLEG COURSES

Introduction to C.L.E.G.

This course explores the intersection between communication, legal institutions, economics, and government. It focuses on the federal system, the powers of government and courts, how economic actors influence government and how government uses economic incentives, and the communication methods that actors use to create change in America.

Introduction to the Systems of Justice

Designed to familiarize students with the structure and operation of the American system of justice and compare it to other systems in developed and developing nations. Students are exposed to critical issues in justice, involved in discussions of their impact on American society, and asked to consider alternative solutions these issues.

Macroeconomics

Introduction to the basic principles of aggregate economic analysis. Includes measurement and determinants of national income, unemployment, inflation, economic growth, and business cycles. Topics also include historical perspectives, alternative approaches to economics, and current issues and controversies.

Politics in the United States

Study of major philosophical concepts that shaped government in the United States combined with an analysis of contemporary political institutions and behavior, focusing on the American governmental system.

SPA's interdisciplinary **BA in CLEG (Communications, Legal Institutions, Economics & Government)** is designed for students who want the broad background critical for effective public affairs decision making and the practical training necessary to address social problems as public issues.

Read on to find out if this undergraduate major can help you work towards your career goals.



Student talks with the hosts of popular podcast, The Pollsters, who came to AU for an event co-hosted by SPA and the School of -Communication.



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WE KNOW SUCCESS

Graduates from Public Affairs have gone on to employers and graduate/law schools like:

- » Campaign Legal Center
- » Goldman Sachs
- » Public Defenders
- » NJI Media
- » The Washington Post
- » U.S. Department of Defense
- » American Gaming Association
- » NBCUniversal, Inc.
- » National Wildlife Federation
- » U.S. Department of Justice
- » National Republican Congressional Committee
- » DC Public Schools

- » American University Washington College of Law
- » Columbia University
- » Fordham University
- » George Washington University
- » Georgetown University
- » Harvard University
- » Johns Hopkins University
- » London School of Economics
- » Pennsylvania State University
- » University of Chicago
- » University of Virginia

QUESTIONS?

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STUDY ABROAD OPPORTUNITIES

- Students may study abroad between their second semester of sophomore year through their senior year.
- Some popular study abroad destinations are
 - » Australia » Belgium » China » Denmark » England
 - » Ireland » Italy » New Zealand » Scotland
- The number of study abroad credits accepted into the CLEG major will vary. Students should work with their academic advisor to discuss individual programs.
- It is strongly recommended that students complete the majority of their university requirements before studying abroad

INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- Students can earn up to 12 credits from internships toward their degree.
- Students must have junior class standing, complete a pre-requisite course, have departmental permission, and a minimum 2.5 GPA before registering an internship for credit.
- Sample internships include:
 - » Brookings Institution » Center for Education Reform
 - » Human Rights Campaign » The White House

SCHOLARLY RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

- Take a Research Methods course based on their interests - Justice or Political Science.
- Students learn research design, quantitative analysis, and how to apply analytical and statistical techniques to contemporary problems.
- Students have opportunities to work with faculty mentors on their original research projects.
- Students will present their original research through research symposiums on campus or at national conferences.