CSS220 Sophomore Economics Tutorial: Topics in the History of Economic Thought
This tutorial uses a topical approach to explore the history of economic thought.
Over the eight-week period, we compare several competing analytic systems including the following: scholastic economics, mercantilism, physiocracy, classical economics, Marxism, neoclassical analysis, Keynesianism, monetarism, and the Austrian school. These approaches to economic analysis both reflect and illuminate the economic and social problems that constitute the Western experience of the past three centuries. Major readings draw from Munn, Smith, Hume, Ricardo, Malthus, Bentham, J. S. Mill, Marx, Jevons, Veblen, Keynes, Schumpeter, Hayek, Friedman, Tobin, and Sen. Throughout the course, we use contemporary articles to illustrate modern-day versions of the historical debates. The course material is designed to provide a fuller context for what you learn in politics, history, and social theory while also deepening your intuitive understanding of contemporary economic theory.
Offering: Host
Grading: Cr/U
Credits: 1.50
Gen Ed Area: SBS-ECON, SBS-ECON, SBS-ECON, SBS-ECON, SBS-ECON
Prereq: None

CSS230 Sophomore Government Tutorial: The Rise of the Modern Nation-State
The sophomore tutorial in government introduces students to the study of the developing relationship between the government and the governed, and the institutions and evolving forms of justification that accompanied these reconfigurations from Plato’s Republic to the American republic. Along the way, students will be introduced to the method of inquiry of the ancients and the moderns who, respectively, as political philosophers and political scientists, balanced contrasting first principles and competing interests to proffer their period-specific answers to the perennial question, “who governs?”
Offering: Host
Grading: Cr/U
Credits: 1.50
Gen Ed Area: SBS-GOVT, SBS-GOVT, SBS-GOVT, SBS-GOVT, SBS-GOVT
Prereq: None

CSS240 Sophomore History Tutorial: The Emergence of Modern Europe
This tutorial sequence analyzes the formation of modern European society from the late 18th to the last quarter of the 20th century. Most attention will be placed on Britain, France, Germany, and Russia, as these countries were shaped by, and responded to, demographic, economic, social, political, and intellectual forces that led to revolutions, political and social reforms, new modes of production, changes in social hierarchies, and new forms of warfare. Much attention will be placed on the social and political consequences of the French Revolution and industrialization, but empire, the origins and consequences of the two world wars (including the Russian revolution and the rise and defeat of Nazism) will also come under intensive discussion, as will the creation of a more stable and prosperous postwar European order. Europe’s links to Africa, Asia, and the Americas will be discussed in the context of imperialism and the two world wars. In addition to developing knowledge of the most important processes that have shaped the modern world, this tutorial seeks to foster a critical awareness of the varieties of historical narrative, the skills needed to interpret historical primary sources, and the possibilities and limits of history as a tool of social investigation.
Offering: Host
Grading: Cr/U
Credits: 1.50
Gen Ed Area: SBS-HIST, SBS-HIST, SBS-HIST, SBS-HIST, SBS-HIST
Prereq: None

CSS271 Sophomore Colloquium: Modern Social Theory
This colloquium examines a number of competing conceptual frameworks in the social sciences derived from major political philosophers and social theorists, such as Hobbes, Locke, Rousseau, Marx, Durkheim, Weber, and Freud.
Offering: Host
Grading: Cr/U
Credits: 1.00
Gen Ed Area: SBS-GOVT
Prereq: None

CSS320 Junior Economics Tutorial: Economics of the Welfare State
The role that government plays in the lives of ordinary citizens has evolved dramatically over the past several decades. Even in the “free market” United States, spending on income security, health, and public pensions has increased from less than 10 percent of government spending in the 1950s to over half of spending today. This tutorial will explore the economic justifications for and impacts of this evolution of the role of government. Particular attention will be paid to the theory of social insurance with emphasis on government involvement in the healthcare system. Additional topics will include public pensions, unemployment insurance, and antipoverty programs.
Offering: Host
Grading: A-F
Credits: 1.00
Gen Ed Area: SBS-ECON, SBS-ECON, SBS-ECON, SBS-ECON, SBS-ECON
Prereq: None

Great powers today, as they have in the past, seek to mold the world to suit their short- and long-term policy objectives. One often-discussed approach to this challenge is the construction of “grand strategies” that seek to integrate and focus the employment of a state’s material resources to achieve its foreign policy goals. This course considers the concept of grand strategy in historical and comparative context and then evaluates the constraints and opportunities facing the current and future great powers such as the United States, China, and India.
Offering: Host
Grading: A-F
Credits: 1.00
Gen Ed Area: SBS-GOVT, SBS-GOVT, SBS-GOVT, SBS-GOVT, SBS-GOVT
Prereq: None

CSS340 Junior History Tutorial: Globalization and the Aftermath of Empire
An overview of some major global trends since World War II, along with some provocative theories devised to explain them. Topics may include decolonization, the Cold War, secularization in the West, the growth of Christianity and Islam, the human rights revolution, globalization, and the shift of power from West to East. Specific countries and regions will be studied, among them (possibly) South Africa, Southeast Asia, India, and China.
Offering: Host
Grading: A-F
Credits: 1.00
Gen Ed Area: SBS-HIST, SBS-HIST, SBS-HIST, SBS-HIST, SBS-HIST, SBS-HIST
Prereq: None

CSS371 Junior Colloquium: Contemporary Social and Political Theory
This colloquium examines a number of major 20th-century social and political theorists. Thinkers might include Hannah Arendt, Jurgen Habermas, John Rawls, Franz Fanon, Ludwig Von Mises, Frank Knight, Milton Friedman, and Michel Foucault. The colloquium will be framed around some central concepts of social and political analysis within their historical context. Topic areas might include human rights, the public and private sphere, human action and social structure, freedom, and the nature of politics. In addition, the colloquium will explore...
the various ways the social sciences have employed key concepts and have interpreted the self-understanding of social actors.

Offering: Host
Grading: A-F
Credits: 1.00
Gen Ed Area: SBS-PHIL, SBS-PHIL, SBS-PHIL, SBS-PHIL, SBS-PHIL
Prereq: None

CSS391 Senior Colloquium: Political Economy (aka Public and Private: The Logic of Social Order)
This course studies political economy from the vantage point of a broader distinction between the public and private spheres of social life: We consider what that distinction might mean and how it matters, how the two spheres are manifested and interrelate in actual societies, and how the appropriate boundary between the two spheres might be determined. There are a number of lines of social inquiry out there that touch on this distinction, but perhaps none that is exactly fitted to our purposes in this course. There is, however, an analytical framework that seems well suited to our inquiry: Game theory is a superficial-sounding name given to this important framework, one that will, in a broad way, serve as the foundation and common denominator for our inquiries.

Offering: Host
Grading: A-F
Credits: 1.00
Gen Ed Area: SBS-ECON, SBS-ECON, SBS-ECON
Prereq: None

CSS401 Individual Tutorial, Undergraduate
Offering: Host
Grading: A-F

CSS402 Individual Tutorial, Undergraduate
Offering: Host
Grading: A-F

CSS407 Senior Tutorial
Downgraded Senior Thesis Tutorial - Project to be arranged in consultation with the tutor.
Offering: Host
Grading: OPT

CSS408 Senior Tutorial
Downgraded Senior Thesis Tutorial - Project to be arranged in consultation with the tutor.
Offering: Host
Grading: A-F

CSS409 Senior Thesis Tutorial
Offering: Host
Grading: A-F

CSS410 Senior Thesis Tutorial
Offering: Host
Grading: A-F

CSS411 Group Tutorial, Undergraduate
Offering: Host
Grading: OPT

CSS412 Group Tutorial, Undergraduate
Offering: Host
Grading: OPT

CSS419 Student Forum
Offering: Host
Grading: Cr/U

CSS420 Student Forum
Offering: Host
Grading: OPT