Florham Polis

A Political Science Living & Learning Community @ FDU

Philosophy

Modeled on the ancient Greek political community, the Florham Polis is a small community of students who live together, take classes together, and participate in activities outside the classroom together. The goal of the program is to create an active and intellectually engaged faculty and student community animated by the study of politics.

Coursework

The academic core of the program is multiple, small, dedicated classes in the first year followed by a gradual scaling back to give students more freedom to pursue their individual interests as they progress through their college career. All classes are required for either General Education or the Political Science major.

**Year 1:**
- **Fall:** American Government, Playing Politics, College Writing Workshop, and Freshman Seminar.
- **Spring:** Comparative Government and Service & Citizenship, Research Writing Workshop.

**Year 2:** Contemporary Mathematics and Political Methodology

**Year 3:** International Relations and Political Theory

Travel

Students in the Florham Polis will take a guided tour of the United Nations in New York their first semester, a weekend trip to Washington D.C. their second semester, and a trip to Philadelphia in their sixth semester.

Activities

Extra-curricular activities include Playing Politics, Political Trivia Competition, an election night party, Political Film night, periodic dinners with faculty in the cafeteria, the Friday afternoon lunch club, and a brown bag colloquium series.

*Space is limited so indicate your interest early*

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