## POL 208: Community Politics

A study of local governments and their history as seen through the lens of the political process. The biases and extent of influence of ethnic, racial, civic, public employee, and neighborhood groups upon urban political parties, elections, and governmental bodies are examined, along with factors underlying the emergence and effectiveness of such institutional forms as the mayor-council, council-manager, and neighborhood government. (Equivalent to HST 208).

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