### Course Number
PSCI 212

### Course Name
The American Presidency

### Credit Value
3 Theory

### Catalog Course Description
You will study the presidency as an institution of power and of leadership and its relation to other political institutions. Prerequisite of ENG 109N or an adequate score on the Course Placement Evaluation (3, 3T+0S) Meets New Mexico Lower Division General Education Core Curriculum Area V Social and Behavioral Sciences (NMCCN POLS 121)

### Student Learning Outcomes/Objectives/Competencies of the Course
By the end of the course, students will be able to:
1. Explain the historical and political foundations of the presidency of the United States;
2. Explain the precursors to, and the development and adoption of the United States Constitution and its establishment of the presidency;
3. Explain the United States federal system, the balance of powers, the electoral college, as it applies to the presidency;
4. Describe the power, structure and operation of the presidency as one of the main institutions of government
5. Explain the role of political parties and interest groups in the presidency;
6. Describe the role of demographics, public opinion and the media in American presidency

### College-Wide Student Learning Outcomes
PSCI 110 learning objectives align with the following NNMC College Wide Goals:
1. Communication (SLOs 1, 2, 3 and 5)
2. Critical Thought (SLO 4 and 6)