## Spokane Falls Community College COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

Prefix and Course Number:	POLS&202
Course Title:	American Government
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## **Course Learning Outcomes**

Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to:

- 1. Examine the scope of American Government as a field of study in political science.
- 2. Illustrate the formal and informal institutions, processes, and policies that comprise the nexus between society and government.
- 3. Analyze and critically assess the dynamic character of American federalism.
- 4. Explain the system of checks-and-balances and the separation of powers and compare how the roles of the executive, the legislative, and judicial branches of government have altered over time.
- 5. Identify and appraise the complexity and diversity of power relations in the American political system.