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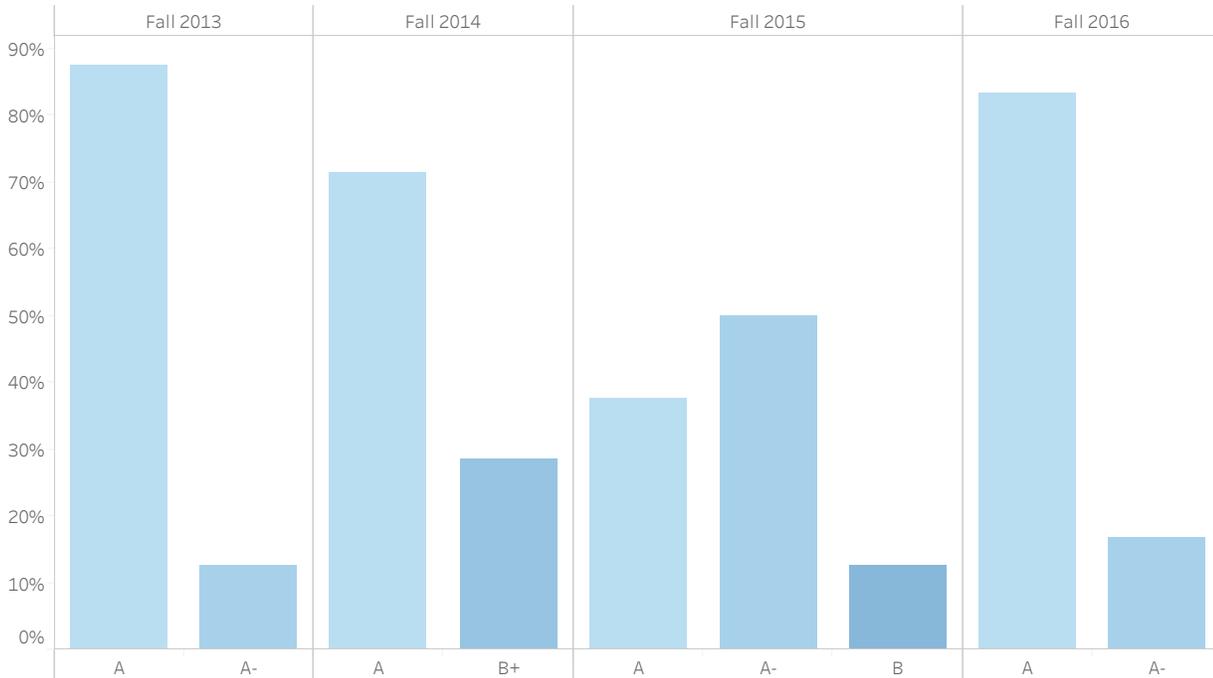
Understand research design and methods important to the field and use them to conduct research about significant political questions.

Grade Distribution for POLS 6010 - Research Design
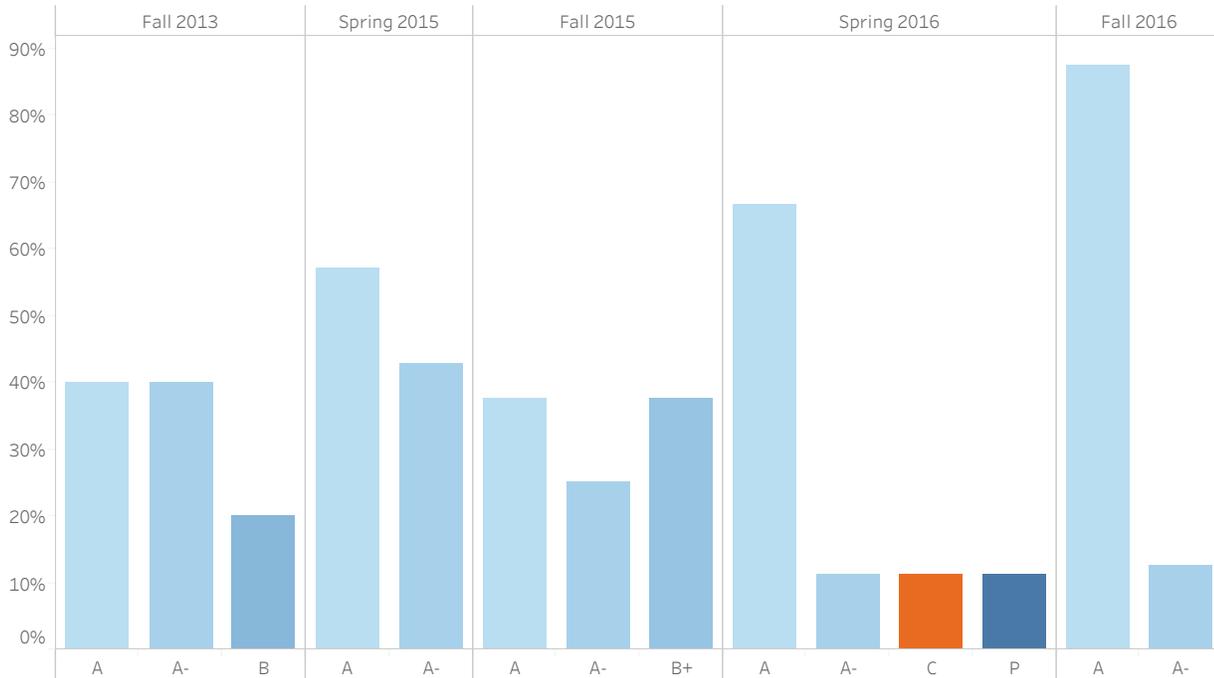

IDEA Results for POLS 6010

1. To increase factual knowledge about the American political system

	Much Higher	Higher	Lower
2013 Fall	64		
2014 Fall		60	
2015 Fall			38

3. To increase thinking, problem-solving, and decision-making skills

	Much Higher	Similar	Lower
2013 Fall	70		
2014 Fall		50	
2015 Fall			38

11. To increase skill in analyzing and critically evaluating ideas, arguments, and points of view

	Higher	Similar
2013 Fall	56	
2014 Fall		53
2015 Fall		51

4. Developing specific skills, competencies, and points of view needed by professionals in the field most closely related to this course

	Much Higher	Similar	Lower
2013 Fall	65		
2014 Fall		49	
2015 Fall			38

12. Acquiring an interest in learning more by asking questions and seeking answers

	Much Higher	Similar
2013 Fall	63	
2014 Fall		54
2015 Fall		53

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Demonstrate familiarity with scholarly literature in the student's specific field of inquiry. (APPT Track)

Grade Distribution for American Politics and Political Theory Track

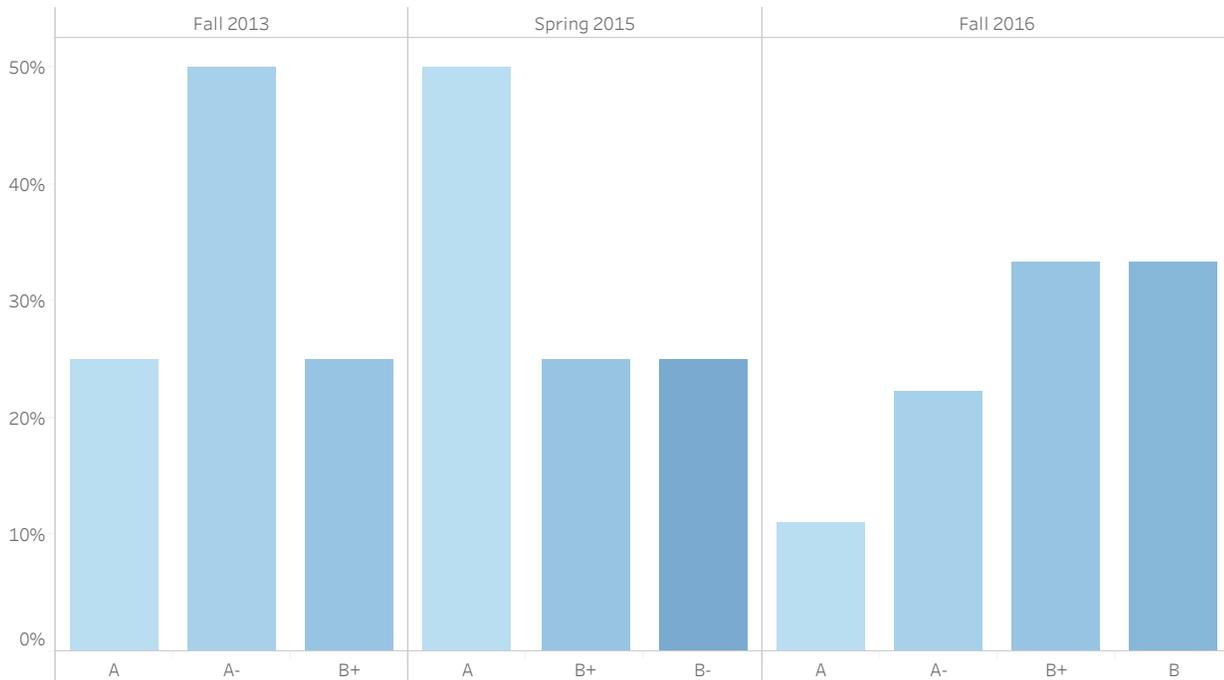## IDEA Results for American Politics and Political Theory Track

1. To increase factual knowledge about the American political system

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2013 Fall			50	
2015 Spring				45
2015 Fall		57		
2016 Fall	62			

2. Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar
2013 Fall			49
2015 Spring			46
2015 Fall		58	
2016 Fall	64		

11. Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar	Lower
2013 Fall			48	
2015 Spring				44
2015 Fall		67		
2016 Fall			59	

3. Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)

	Higher	Similar	Lower	Much Lower
2013 Fall		41		
2015 Spring				36
2015 Fall	58			
2016 Fall		54		

8. Developing skill in expressing myself orally or in writing

	Much Higher	Higher	Similar	Lower
2013 Fall				42
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Grade Distribution for International Security Track

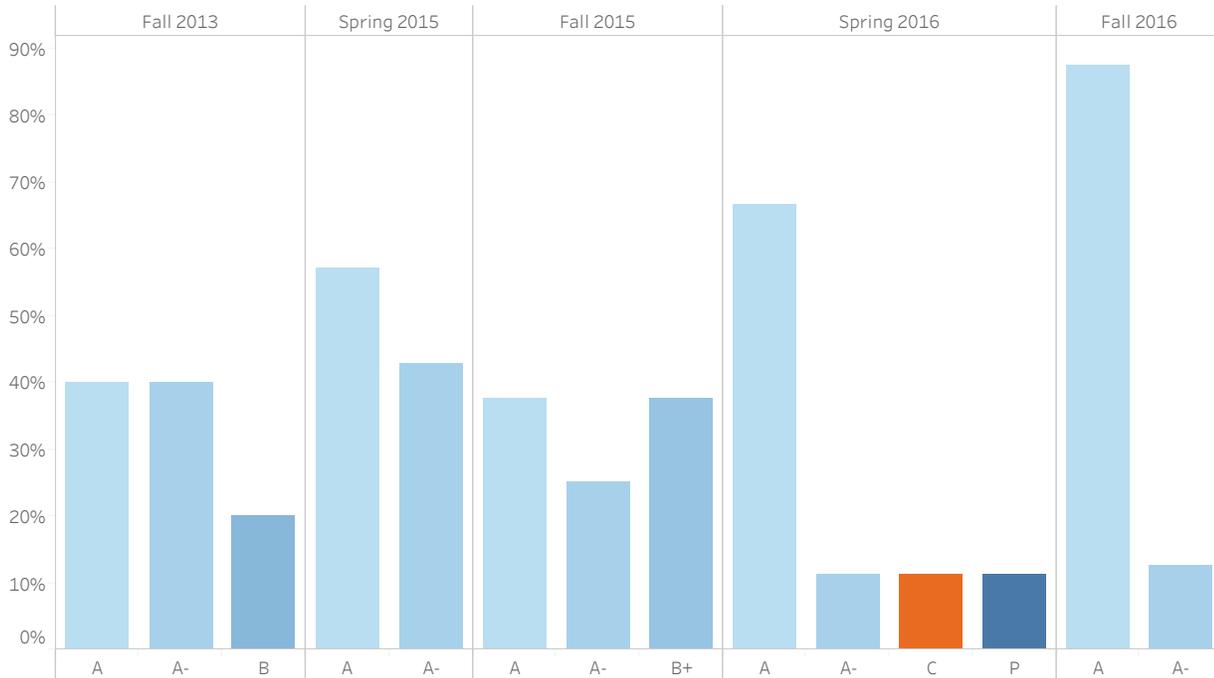### IDEA Results for International Security Track

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2013 Fall	65	
2015 Spring	64	
2016 Fall	66	

2. Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories

	Much Higher	Similar
2012 Spring		51
2013 Fall	72	
2015 Spring	72	
2016 Fall	67	

11. Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view

	Much Higher	Higher
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2013 Fall	65	
2015 Spring	64	
2016 Fall	70	

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Political Science Graduate Program Learning Objectives

Effectively apply critical thinking and analytical skills to address significant issues in the political world. (APPT Track)

Grade Distribution for American Politics and Political Theory Track

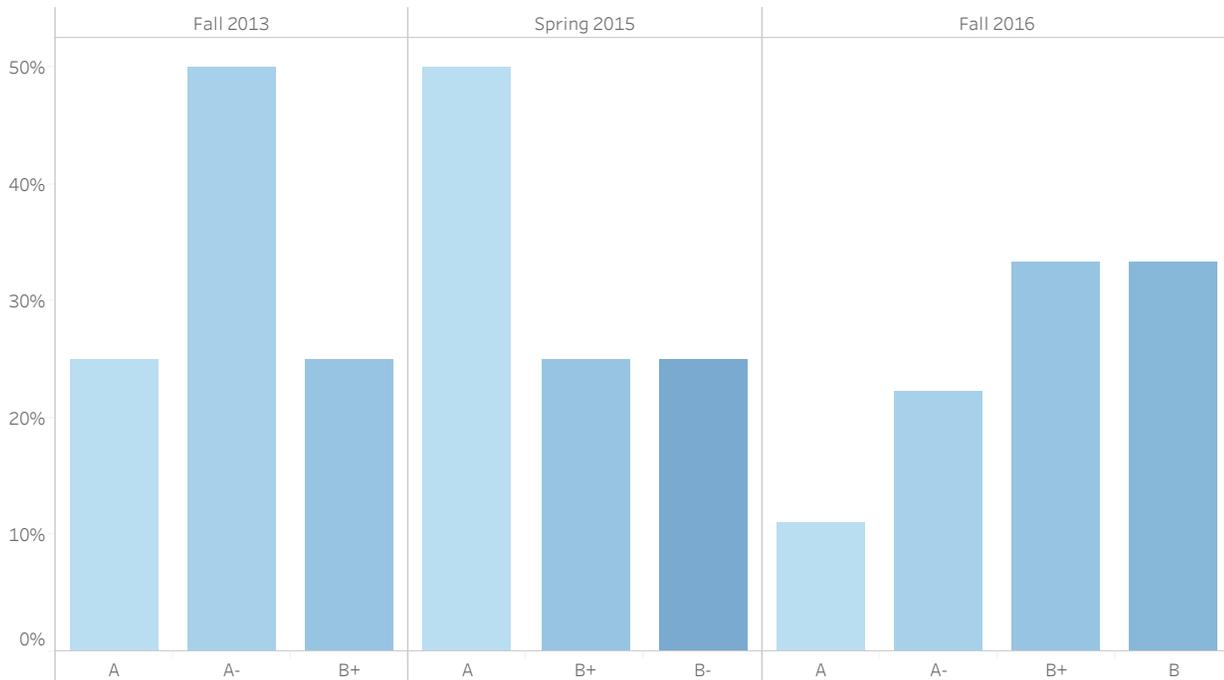
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Grade Distribution for International Security Track

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Write clearly and cogently about political questions, using appropriate language in the discipline, and be able to construct organized and coherent verbal presentations on political topics.