

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

REQUIREMENTS FOR POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJORS:

All majors are responsible for planning their programs to meet General Education, Departmental, College, and University requirements. All persons who wish to secure the B.A. in Political Science are expected to fulfill the following requirements:

- A minimum of 30 semester hours in Political Science.
- Students must select ONE of the following three tracks:

AMERICAN TRACK:

3700:100 Government and Politics in the U.S.
3700:201 Introduction to Political Research
3700:300 Comparative Politics
3700:303 Introduction to Political Thought
3700:310 International Politics and Institutions

And two 400-level courses (may include 400-level course used to meet the American politics requirement)

Choose ONE American politics course:

341 American Congress
350 American Presidency
360 Judicial Process
402 Politics and the Media
474 Political Opinion, Behavior and Electoral Politics
475 American Interest Groups
476 American Political Parties

Additional Political Science elective courses to equal 30 credits total in Political Science

INTERNATIONAL/COMPARATIVE TRACK:

3700:150 World Politics and Government
3700:201 Introduction to Political Research
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3700:300 Comparative Politics

or

3700:310 International Politics and Institutions

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- Second year of a foreign language
- 47 Credits of 300/400 level courses - excluding the General Education requirements (i.e. Humanities, Area Studies & Cultural Diversity or any workshop)
- Minimum credits required for B.A. degree --- 128 semester hours
- Students must maintain a 2.2 average overall, and a 2.2 average in Political Science.

LAW, COURTS, AND POLITICS TRACK

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FOUNDATIONS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE GROUP (All Required)

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LAW, COURTS, AND POLITICS GROUP (All Required)

3700:360 Judicial Process
3700:334 Law, Mediation, and Violence
3700:335 Law and Society

Choose TWO from:

361 Politics of the Criminal Justice System
461 Supreme Court and Constitutional Law
462 Supreme Court and Civil Liberties

INTERNSHIP GROUP (Required)

3700:395 Internship: Government & Politics (Students are required to take a minimum 2 credit internship. No more than 4 credits of internship may be applied toward the 30 credit hour requirement in Political Science.)

INTER-DISCIPLINARY COURSES GROUP (Four Courses)

Four courses from the attached list from the departments of Accounting, Communications, Finance, English, History, Philosophy, and Sociology; but two courses from the same group cannot be selected.

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**Department of Political Science Bachelor of Arts in
Law, Courts, and Politics
Inter-Disciplinary Courses Approved List**

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English (3300)

300 Critical Reading and Writing
301 English Literature I
341 American Literature I
376 Legal Writing

History (3400)

452 American Revolutionary Era: Political,
Military and Constitutional Aspects
454 Civil War and Reconstruction, 1850-1877
457 Recent America: US Since 1945
463 U.S. Constitutional History Since 1870

Philosophy (3600)

323 Advanced Topics in Ethics
324 Social and Political Philosophy
361 Biomedical Ethics
362 Business Ethics

Sociology (3850)

330 Criminology
430 Juvenile Delinquency
431 Corrections
441 Sociology of Law

Accounting (6200)

201 Accounting Concepts and Principles
250 Microcomputer Applications for Business
430 Taxation I

Finance (6400)

220 Legal and Social Environment of Business
321 Business Law I
323 International Business Law
424 Legal Concepts of Real Estate

Communications (7600)

245 Argumentation
252 Persuasion
345 Business and Professional Speaking
346 Advanced Public Speaking

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