



**Political Science
Major Requirements**

2021-2022

69 Credits, including 30 Upper Division (UD)

Student Name	Student ID		Quarter Admitted	
Political Science Core – 39 Credits*				
	Attributes	Credits	Quarter	Grade
POL 1110: Introduction to Politics	WKSS	5		
POL 1120: American Government & Politics	WKSS	5		
POL 2000: Vocations in Political Science		1		
POL 2320: Comparative Political Systems		5		
POL 2330: International Relations	WKSS, CUE	5		
POL 2642: Christianity and World Politics	WE	5		
POL 4641: Theories of Political Systems: Ancient OR POL 4642: Theories of Political Systems: Modern	UD, W	5		
POL 4643: Methods of Political Analysis†	UD	5		
POL 4899: Political Science Capstone	UD, W	3		
Total Credits:			Avg. GPA	
†Prerequisite: Demonstrated Spreadsheet Competency				

***Political Science Electives and Concentrations**

In addition to the Political Science Core, students will select one of three tracks including General (below), Public Policy & Law, and International Affairs (on reverse).

General Track

The American System – 5 Credits	Attributes	Credits	Quarter	Grade
POL 2464: State & Local Politics (5) POL 3430: Pres & Congress: Pol Leadership (5) POL/HIS 3670: Hist. of American Foreign Rel. (5) POL 3780: Law & Society (5)	UD, W, WE UD, W UD, WE	5		
Theoretical Foundations – 5 Credits	Attributes	Credits	Quarter	Grade
POL 2900: Foundations for Leadership (5) POL3410: Moral Foundations of Democracy (5) POL 3550: Social Darwinism and Politics (5)	UD, W UD, W, WE	5		
International Politics – 5 Credits	Attributes	Credits	Quarter	Grade
POL 3000: African Development (5) POL 3100: E. Asian Pol. & Econ. Dev. (5) POL 3320: Pol & Econ. Dev. of Nations (5) POL 3330: Global Women’s Issues (5) POL 3400: International Organizations (3) POL 3440: War, Peace & World Order (5) POL 4310: International Political Economy (5) POL 4336: Cybersecurity (5) POL 4452: International Law (3)	UD UD UD, W UD, WE, CUE UD, CUE UD, WE UD UD, WE UD, CUE	5		
Law & Policy – 5 Credits	Attributes	Credits	Quarter	Grade
POL 3677: Urban Politics (5) POL 4000: Public Policy & Administration (5) POL 4450: Constitutional Law: Powers (5) POL 4451: Constitutional Law: Liberties (5)	UD, WE UD UD UD	5		
Political Science Electives – 10 Credits	Attributes	Credits	Quarter	Grade
Total Credits:			Avg. GPA	

Applying to the Major

*This is a quick-access guide.
The Undergraduate Catalog is the official contract
between students and the university.*

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Admission Criteria:

- 2.0+ cumulative GPA
- Complete and submit application.
Applications are available on Banner and accepted throughout the year.

International Affairs Track

International Politics – 15 Credits	Attributes	Credits	Quarter	Grade
POL 3330: Global Women’s Issues (5) POL 3345: Russia and Central Asia (5) POL 3400: International Organizations (3) POL 3440: War, Peace & World Order (5) POL 3670: Hist. of Amer. Foreign Relations (5) POL 4336: Cybersecurity (5) POL 4452: International Law (3) POL 4911: Advanced Seminar (1-5)	UD, WE, CUE UD UD, CUE UD, WE UD, W UD, WE UD, CUE UD, W	15		
The American System† – 5 Credits	Attributes	Credits	Quarter	Grade
POL 3430: Pres & Congress: Pol Leadership (5) POL 4450: Constitutional Law: Powers (5)	UD, W, WE UD	5		
International Economics – 5 Credits	Attributes	Credits	Quarter	Grade
POL 3000: African Development (5) POL 3050: Institutions & Inst. Analysis (5) POL 3100: E. Asian Politics & Econ. Dev. (5) POL 3320: Pol. & Econ. Dev. of Nations (5) POL 4310: International Political Economy (5)	UD UD UD UD, W UD	5		
Political Science Electives – 5 Credits	Attributes	Credits	Quarter	Grade
Total Credits:			Avg. GPA	

†If not used for Int’l Pol above, POL 3670 may count here

Public Policy & Law Track

Public Policy & Law Core – 10 Credits	Attributes	Credits	Quarter	Grade
POL 3780: Law & Society	UD, WE	5		
POL 3677: Urban Politics OR POL 4000: Public Policy & Administration	UD, WE UD	5		
Theory and Institutions† – 15 Credits	Attributes	Credits	Quarter	Grade
GDEV 3050: Institutions & Inst. Analysis (5) POL 3320: Pol. & Econ. Dev. of Nations (5) POL 3400: International Organizations (3) POL 3410: Moral Foundations of Democracy (5) POL 3430: Pres. & Congress: Pol. Leadership (5) POL 3550: Social Darwinism and Politics (5) POL 4336: Cybersecurity (5) POL 4450: Constitutional Law: Powers (5) POL 4451: Constitutional Law: Liberties (5)	UD UD, W UD, CUE UD, W UD, W, WE UD, W, WE UD, WE UD UD	15		
Political Science Electives – 5 Credits	Attributes	Credits	Quarter	Grade
Total Credits:			Avg. GPA	

†If not used in Core Area, POL 3677 or 4000 may be used here