

## POLITICAL SCIENCE – BA with major option

**Bold-faced courses** are MAJOR requirements

This is a sample schedule intended for informational purposes only. Students should consult with their OSU academic advisor to create a personalized degree plan.

| Freshman/ First Year                      |           |                                           |           |                                           |           | Notes & Milestones                                                                                                 |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Fall                                      |           | Winter                                    |           | Spring                                    |           |                                                                                                                    |
| Course                                    | Credits   | Course                                    | Credits   | Course                                    | Credits   |                                                                                                                    |
| <b>PS INTRO</b>                           | 4         | <b>PS INTRO</b>                           | 4         | <b>PS INTRO</b>                           | 4         | <u>Notes:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete WR 121 and COMM by the end of Spring term</li> </ul> |
| WR 121 or Speech or Literature & the Arts | 3         | WR 121 or Speech or Literature & the Arts | 3         | WR 121 or Speech or Literature & the Arts | 3         |                                                                                                                    |
| MTH 105                                   | 3         | Difference, Power & Discrimination        | 3         | Physical science                          | 4         |                                                                                                                    |
| Language 111                              | 4         | Language 112                              | 4         | Language 113                              | 4         |                                                                                                                    |
|                                           |           | PAC                                       | 1         |                                           |           |                                                                                                                    |
|                                           |           |                                           |           |                                           |           |                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Total Credits</b>                      | <b>14</b> | <b>Total Credits</b>                      | <b>15</b> | <b>Total Credits</b>                      | <b>15</b> |                                                                                                                    |

| Sophomore/ Second Year |           |                      |           |                             |           | Notes & Milestones                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| Fall                   |           | Winter               |           | Spring                      |           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Course                 | Credits   | Course               | Credits   | Course                      | Credits   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Writing II             | 3         | <b>PS UD 3xx</b>     | 4         | <b>PS UD 3xx</b>            | 4         | <u>Notes:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>"PS UD 3xx" refers to any PS course with a number of 300-399</li> <li>Majors are encouraged to use general elective courses to obtain a minor.</li> <li>Language 213 course requires a C- or better grade.</li> </ul> |
| Biological Science     | 4         | General elective     | 4         | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Lab Science | 4         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Cultural Diversity     | 3         | Fine Arts            | 3         | Non-Western Culture         | 3         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Language 211           | 4         | Language 212         | 4         | Language 213                | 4         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| HHS 231                | 2         |                      |           |                             |           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                        |           |                      |           |                             |           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Total Credits</b>   | <b>16</b> | <b>Total Credits</b> | <b>15</b> | <b>Total Credits</b>        | <b>15</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

| Junior/ Third Year  |         |                     |         |                     |         | Notes & Milestones                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| Fall                |         | Winter              |         | Spring              |         | <b>Notes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PS 300 requires a C- or better grade</li> <li>• General electives are of any course at the 100-400 level. <b>Check with advisor for level needed.</b></li> <li>• PS internships, research with faculty, projects, and thesis can also fill some "Any PS UD" slots and are great resume builders!</li> </ul> |
| Course              | Credits | Course              | Credits | Course              | Credits |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>PS 300 UD</b>    | 4       | <b>PS UD Option</b> | 4       | <b>PS UD Option</b> | 4       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>PS UD Option</b> | 4       | Humanities          | 3       | <b>Any PS UD</b>    | 4       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| General elective    | 3       | Western Culture     | 3       | UD General elective | 4       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| General elective    | 4       | General Elective    | 4       | General elective    | 4       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|                     |         |                     |         |                     |         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Total Credits       | 15      | Total Credits       | 14      | Total Credits       | 16      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

| Senior/ Fourth Year     |         |                               |         |                            |         | Notes & Milestones                                                                                                                                        |
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| Fall                    |         | Winter                        |         | Spring                     |         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General electives are of any course at the 100-400 level. <b>Check with advisor for level needed.</b></li> </ul> |
| Course                  | Credits | Course                        | Credits | Course                     | Credits |                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>PS UD option</b>     | 4       | <b>PS UD Option</b>           | 4       | <b>PS UD Option</b>        | 4       |                                                                                                                                                           |
| One Additional CLA Core | 3       | Science, Technology & Society | 3       | Contemporary Global Issues | 3       |                                                                                                                                                           |
| General Elective        | 4       | UD General Elective           | 4       | UD General elective        | 4       |                                                                                                                                                           |
| UD General elective     | 4       | General elective              | 4       | General elective           | 4       |                                                                                                                                                           |
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| Total Credits           | 15      | Total Credits                 | 15      | Total Credits              | 15      |                                                                                                                                                           |

General Notes for the Political Science Major:

- "PS intro" refers to PS 201, 204, 205, or 206. Three of four needed for PS degree. Two specific intros are required for each of the PS major options.
- Complete one PS intro by end of fall, two PS intros by end of spring.
- "PS UD Option" refers to any PS course that meets major option (Law & Society, International Affairs, Environmental and Energy Politics) requirements.