

POLITICAL SCIENCE – BS 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	
PS INTRO	4	PS INTRO	4	PS INTRO	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete WR 121 and COMM by the end of spring term • WR 121 requires a C- or better grade.
MTH 105	3	Social Processes & Institutions	3	Western Culture	3	
WR 121, Speech or Literature & the Arts	3	WR 121, Speech or Literature & the Arts	3	WR 121, Speech or Literature & the Arts	3	
Difference, Power & Discrimination	3	MTH 111	4	MTH 245	4	
U-Engage	2	PAC	1	HHS 231	2	
Total Credits	15	Total Credits	15	Total Credits	16	

Sophomore/ Second Year						Notes & Milestones
Fall		Winter		Spring		
Course	Credits	Course	Credits	Course	Credits	
WR II	3	PS UD 3xx	4	PS UD 3xx	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “PS UD 3xx” refers to any PS course with a number of 300-399 • General electives are of any course at the 100-400 level. Check with advisor for level needed. • Majors are encouraged to use general elective courses to obtain a minor.
Biological Science	4	Physical science	4	3 rd Lab Science	4	
Cultural Diversity	3	Non-Western Culture	4	Fine Arts	3	
General elective	3	General elective	4	General elective	3	
General elective	3					
Total Credits	16	Total Credits	16	Total Credits	14	

Junior/ Third Year						Notes
Fall		Winter		Spring		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PS 300 requires a C- or better grade • General electives are of any course at the 100-400 level. Check with advisor for level needed. • Internships, research with faculty, and thesis can fill some "Any UD PS" slots and are great resume builders!
Course	Credits	Course	Credits	Course	Credits	
PS 300 UD	4	PS UD Option	4	PS UD Option	4	
PS UD Option	4	Humanities	4	Any PS UD	4	
Social Science	3	Any CS course	3	B.S. Science	3	
UD General elective	4	General elective	3	General elective	3	
Total Credits	15	Total Credits	14	Total Credits	14	

Senior/ Fourth Year						Notes
Fall		Winter		Spring		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General electives are of any course at the 100-400 level. Check with advisor for level needed.
Course	Credits	Course	Credits	Course	Credits	
PS UD Option	4	PS UD Option	4	PS UD Option	4	
One Additional CLA Core	3	Science, Technology & Society	3	Contemporary Global Issues	3	
UD General elective	3	UD General elective	4	UD General elective	3	
General elective	3	General elective	4	General elective	4	
General elective	3					
Total Credits	16	Total Credits	15	Total Credits	14	

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 course that meets major option (Law & Society, International Affairs, Environmental and Energy Politics) requirements.