

**ADVISING FORM - POLITICAL SCIENCE (BA & BS)
2000-02 CATALOG**

PART I. REQUIREMENTS FOR GENERAL EDUCATION AND THE MAJOR

NAME _____ SSN _____

CATALOG _____ DEGREE _____ ADVISOR _____

GENERAL EDUCATION (LOWER DIVISION)

- _____ ENGL 110C
- _____ ENGL 111C# (or PHIL 111C or HIST 111C)
- _____ Oral Communication (3 credits- COMM 101R, 103R, or 112R)
- _____ CS 101D#
- _____ STAT 130M*
- _____ Foreign Language (BA: 202 proficiency in 1 language; BS: High School degree before 31 Dec. 1985, or in HS 3 years of 1, or 2 years of 2 languages; or 102 proficiency in 1 language)
- _____ Fine and Performing Arts Perspective (3 credits - ARTH 121A, ARTS 122A, MUSC 264A, DANC 185A, or THEA 241A)
- _____ History Perspective (6 credits: any two courses from HIST 101H (Asia), 102H (Europe), 103H (Latin America), or 104H (U.S.))
- _____ Literature Perspective (3 credits - ENGL 112L, 144L or FLET 100L)
- _____ Philosophy Perspective (3 credits - PHIL 110P, 120P or 150P)
- _____ Natural Science Perspective (8 credits of a sequence -
_____ **BIOL 108N -109N**, 115N -116N; **CHEM 101N - 102N**, 115N - 116N; **GEOL 110N - 112N**, 111N - 112N; **OCEN 106N - 107N**; **PHYS 101N - 102N**, **103N - 104N (astronomy)**, 111N - 112N, 231N - 232N) [Bolded courses are usually appropriate.]
- _____ Technology or Natural Science (3 or 4 credits of an "N" course; GEOL 120K, 122K, 302K; or approved technology ["T"] course).
- _____ ECON 201S (3 credits - Social Science Perspective)
- _____ ECON 202S (3 credits - Social Science Perspective)
- _____ GEOG 100S or 101S (3 credits - Social Science Perspective)

GENERAL EDUCATION (UPPER DIVISION)-CHOOSE ONE

- (1) A minor, 2nd degree, or major: _____
- (2) Focus Area Cluster: (9 credits) _____
(See Part II, #14, for an explanation)
- (3) International Certificate: (12 credits) _____
(This option is not described in the catalog)

- (#) This course is required for both the BS and BA degrees.
- (*) This course is required for the BS degree in Political Science, and is recommended for the BA degree, however, for the BA, MATH 102, 104, or 162 is acceptable.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MAJOR: BA and BS Minimum Total = 36

MAJOR CORE REQUIREMENTS: (BA = 12 credits; BS = 15 credits)

- _____ POLS 100S, or 127S (honors)
- _____ POLS 101S, or 126S (honors)
- _____ POLS 102
- _____ POLS 308
- _____ POLS 418 (BS only)

ADDITIONAL MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

- _____ C or higher in ENGL 110C (BA)
- _____ C or higher in ENGL 111C (BA & BS) (PHIL 111C, HIST 111C)
- _____ C- or higher in STAT 130M (BS)
- _____ C- or higher in POLS 308 (BS)
- _____ Overall GPA of 2.0 or higher in all POLS courses (BA & BS)

ELECTIVES: A minimum of **24 credits (BA)** or **21 credits (BS)** of additional 300/400-level courses from the following emphasis areas (**9 OF THESE CREDIT HOURS MUST BE AT THE 400-LEVEL**):

1. American Government/Public Law (9 credit minimum)

2. International Relations/Comparative Politics (9 credit minimum)

3. Additional 300/400-level courses in **any** area/subfield

400-LEVEL COURSES: A minimum of 9 credits at the 400-level for the BA and BS degrees. These credits may overlap with those specified above.

ELECTIVES: A minimum of one approved Writing Intensive course in Political Science. (i.e., 301W, 321W, 327W, 338W, 355W, 420W, or 480W.) These credits may overlap with those specified above.

NOTE: NO MORE THAN SIX (6) CREDIT HOURS WILL BE COUNTED TOWARDS THE MAJOR FROM **POLS 367, 368, and 497.**

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

- _____ Writing Exit Examination (eligible after 58 credits)
- _____ Testing Requirement in the Assessment of Academic Achievement
- _____ Submission of Capstone Paper
- _____ 120 Credit Hours Total
- _____ Application to Graduate

PART II. INFORMATION FOR POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJORS

1. GENERAL EDUCATION: Specific information on courses for upper-level requirements are in the 2000-02 catalog.
2. ENGL 110C: Grade of "C" is required for the BA degree.
3. ENGL 111C: Grade of "C" is required for the BA and BS. (Also applies to PHIL 111C, and HIST 111C.)
4. STAT 130M: Satisfies requirements for the BS degree in Political Science. This course also satisfies lower division general education requirements. A grade of "C-" is required for students on the BS track.
5. FOREIGN LANGUAGE:
The BS degree requires six (6) credit hours in the same language; BA degree requires twelve (12) credit hours in the same language. THE BS REQUIREMENT MAY BE MET BY TAKING THREE (3) YEARS OF ONE (1) FOREIGN LANGUAGE OR TWO (2) YEARS EACH OF TWO (2) LANGUAGES IN HIGH SCHOOL. If the high school degree was earned prior to 31 December 1985, no credits are required for the BS degree.
6. AREAS OF SUBFIELDS:
Here is a checklist of 300/400-level Political Science courses according to each of the two main emphasis areas of Political Science, and also the "other" category.

AMERICAN GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC LAW:

300U, 301W, 306, 307, 309U, 311, 312, 319, 331, 333, 334, 335, 355W, 366, 400, 403, 404, 407, 408, 409, 410U, 412, 415U, 419, 420W, 434, and 481.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND COMPARATIVE POLITICS:

313, 314, 316U, 320, 321W, 323, 324, 325U, 326, 327W, 328U, 332, 337, 338W, 350T, 401, 421, 425U, 435, 436, 437, 442, 461, 466, 480W, 493, and 494.

OTHER: 310, 367, 368, 395/396, 419, 492, 495, and 496.

7. TECHNOLOGY:
A technology course in the major can double count towards general education and major requirements. For example, POLS 350T can do “double duty”.
8. CORE COURSES:
Students should take POLS 100S, POLS 101S, POLS 102, in their freshman or sophomore year, but no later than their junior year. POLS 308 should be taken in the sophomore or junior year (usually two sections are offered in the fall, and one in the spring). BS students should take POLS 308 in the fall, and follow it with POLS 418, which typically is offered only in the spring. (STAT 130M with a grade of C- or better is a prerequisite for POLS 418.)
9. PUBLIC LAW:
It is recommended that students interested in public law take POLS 301W, 306, or 307 prior to the following 400-level courses: 403, 404, 408, 409, 419, 421, 495, or 496.
10. TOPICS COURSES: (395/396, 495/496):
Depending upon their content, these courses may be used to fulfill the requirements for courses in the various emphasis areas of Political Science. The advisor certifies, in writing, that the course counts for a given area.
11. PRACTICA OR INTERNSHIPS:
Three credits for an approved practicum may count towards the 36 hours of Political Science. Depending upon their content, a practicum or internship may be used to fulfill the requirements for courses in various emphasis areas of Political Science. The advisor certifies, in writing, that the course counts for a given area.
12. OTHER ELECTIVES:
Model United Nations I & II (POLS 320 and 321W), despite being 300-level courses, may be taken by freshmen and sophomores. Students desiring a course in Political Philosophy (especially recommended for those considering graduate study in Political Science) should take POLS 310.
13. HONORS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE (BA or BS):
Students must meet the minimum standards of the honors program, including the overall GPA of 3.25. Students wishing honors designation in the major for Political Science fulfill all requirements for the given degree, BA or BS, and in addition, they must do the following (this does not increase the number of hours required for the major):
 - a) Attain a QPA in the major of 3.3.
 - b) Earn honors in nine (9) hours of courses in the major at the 300/400 level, with no more than six (6) hours taken from the same instructor.
14. FOCUS AREA CLUSTERS:
Nine (9) hours of 300/400-level predefined courses or a student-generated approved cluster. Three (3) credits in a POLS course in a cluster can be counted towards the major. At least one cluster course taken must be a Writing Intensive (W) Course.

POLITICAL SCIENCE COURSES

POLS 100S	Introduction to International Politics
POLS 101S	Introduction to American Politics
POLS 102	Introduction to Comparative Government & Politics
POLS 126S	Honors: Introduction to American Politics
POLS 127S	Honors: Introduction to International Politics
POLS 300U	Introduction to Public Policy
POLS 301W	Introduction to Public Law
POLS 306	Judicial Process and Behavior
POLS 307	Constitutional Criminal Procedure
POLS 308	Research Design
POLS 309U	Race, Culture, and Public Policy
POLS 310	Political Theory
POLS 311	Virginia Politics and Government
POLS 312	American Political Thought
POLS 313	United Nations Seminar
POLS 314	Western European Politics
POLS 316U	Politics of Africa
POLS 319	Lobbies and Interest Groups
POLS 320	Model United Nations I
POLS 321W	Model United Nations II
POLS 323	International Political Economy
POLS 324	International Relations Theory
POLS 325U	World Politics
POLS 326	American Foreign Policy
POLS 327W	Politics of National Security
POLS 328U	Russian Politics
POLS 330	Foreign Policy of Russia and the Successor States
POLS 331	State and Local Government
POLS 332	Western Europe in World Affairs
POLS 333	Media and Politics
POLS 334	Electoral Politics
POLS 335	Environmental Politics
POLS 336	South Asia Since Independence
POLS 337	Latin American Politics
POLS 338W	Politics of East Asia
POLS 350T	Technology and War
POLS 355W	Natural Resource Policy in the US
POLS 366	Richmond Seminar
POLS 367	Cooperative Education
POLS 368	Internship in Political Science
POLS 395, 396	Topics in Political Science

POLITICAL SCIENCE COURSES (cont.)

POLS 400	Congress
POLS 401	Global Environmental Politics
POLS 403/503	First Amendment Freedoms
POLS 404/504	Political Rights
POLS 407	American Presidency
POLS 408	American Constitutional Law & Politics I
POLS 409	American Constitutional Law & Politics II
POLS 410U/510	African-American Politics
POLS 412/512	Politics of the Civil Rights Movement
POLS 414/514	Politics of Education
POLS 415U/515	Women and Politics in America
POLS 418	Quantitative Methods
POLS 419/519	Jurisprudence
POLS 420W/520	Southern Politics
POLS 421/521	International Law
POLS 425U/525	Politics of Developing Areas
POLS 434/534	Political Behavior
POLS 435/535	Chinese Politics
POLS 436/536	Japanese Politics
POLS 437/537	International Relations in East Asia
POLS 442/542	Twentieth-Century Dictatorships
POLS 445	Globalization: Dynamics and Implications
POLS 461	Seminar in European Politics
POLS 462	Ethnic Conflict in the New Global Order
POLS 466/566	Politics of the Middle East
POLS 480W	Senior Seminar in International Studies
POLS 481	Seminar in American Politics
POLS 492	Classics in Political Theory
POLS 493	Great Decisions
POLS 494/594	International Political Communication
POLS 495/595	Topics in Political Science
POLS 496/596	Topics in Political Science
POLS 497/597	Independent Research in Political Science

Rev. Spring 2002