# Bachelor of Arts in Political Science

This is a sample four year curriculum with a suggested ordering of courses. Students have the flexibility of re-ordering as needed. *Indicates not automatically waived with transferrable associates degree, C or better required for transfer.

## YEAR 1 - FRESHMAN (30 CREDITS)

### FALL SEMESTER (15 credits)
- ENGL 110C (Grade of C or better required)
- Mathematics (MATH 102M or higher)
- Language & Culture I
- Oral Communication
- POLS 100S

### VCCS Equivalency:
- ENGL 111*
- Transfer Guide
- Transfer Guide
- Transfer Guide
- PLS 241 or 242*

### SPRING SEMESTER (15 credits)
- ENGL 112 or 210*
- Language & Culture III
- The Nature of Science I
- Philosophy and Ethics
- ECON 202S or GEOG 100S

### VCCS Equivalency:
- Transfer Guide
- Transfer Guide
- Transfer Guide
- Transfer Guide
- ECO 202 or GEO 210*

## YEAR 2 - SOPHOMORE (32 CREDITS)

### FALL SEMESTER (16 credits)
- ENGL 211C (Grade of C or better required)
- Language & Culture II
- The Nature of Science II
- ECON 201S
- POLS 100S

### VCCS Equivalency:
- ENG 111*
- Transfer Guide
- Transfer Guide
- Transfer Guide
- Transfer Guide

### SPRING SEMESTER (16 credits)
- ENGL 211C (Grade of C or better required)
- Language & Culture II
- The Nature of Science II
- ECON 201S
- POLS 100S

### VCCS Equivalency:
- ENG 111*
- Transfer Guide
- Transfer Guide
- Transfer Guide
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## YEAR 3 - JUNIOR (30 CREDITS)

### FALL SEMESTER (15 credits)
- ENGL 211C (Grade of C or better required)
- Language & Culture II
- The Nature of Science II
- Philosophy and Ethics
- ECON 202S or GEOG 100S

### VCCS Equivalency:
- ENG 112 or 210*
- Transfer Guide
- Transfer Guide
- Transfer Guide
- Transfer Guide

### SPRING SEMESTER (15 credits)
- ENGL 211C (Grade of C or better required)
- Language & Culture II
- The Nature of Science II
- Philosophy and Ethics
- ECON 202S or GEOG 100S

### VCCS Equivalency:
- ENG 112 or 210*
- Transfer Guide
- Transfer Guide
- Transfer Guide
- Transfer Guide

### Major Coursework:
- POLS 308 (Grade of C- or better required) Satisfies Information Literacy and Research
- POLS 300-400-level elective****
- Upper Division Gen. Ed. Coursework:**
- 300-400-level course in minor subject

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### YEAR 4 - SENIOR (28 CREDITS)

### FALL SEMESTER (15 credits)
- POLS 400-level elective****
- Upper Division Gen. Ed. Coursework:**
- 300-400-level course in minor subject

### VCCS Equivalency:
- Information Literacy and Research
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- Upper Division Gen. Ed. Coursework:**
- 300-400-level course in minor subject

### SPRING SEMESTER (13 credits)
- POLS 400-level elective****
- Elective Coursework***
- 300-400-level course in minor subject

### VCCS Equivalency:
- Information Literacy and Research
- Elective Coursework***
- 300-400-level course in minor subject

### Major Coursework:
- POLS 400-level elective****
- Elective Coursework***
- 300-400-level course in minor subject

### Elective Coursework***
- 3-credit elective course
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### 1-credit elective course

### NOTE: All students must complete and submit to the department a capstone paper in the junior or senior year.

**Upper Division General Education may be satisfied by several options. Consult your catalog and advisor for your best option.**

***See course listings in catalog and consult with your advisor for correct elective choices.***

****At least three POLS 300-400 elective courses must be in each of two emphasis areas: American politics/public law and International relations/comparative politics. POLS 497 (Independent Research) may be used for one POLS 400-level elective course.

Requirements for graduation include a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.00 overall and in the major, a grade of C or better in all courses required for the major, including prerequisite courses, 120 credit hours, which must include both a minimum of 30 credit hours overall and 12 credit hours in upper-level courses in the major program from Old Dominion University, completion of ENGL 110C, ENGL 211C or 221C or 231C, and a writing intensive (W) course in the major with a grade of C or better, and completion of Senior Assessment.