

2014 - 2015 Old Dominion University Catalog

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)	VCCS Equivalency:	SPRING SEMESTER (15 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:
ENGL 110C (Grade of C or better required)	ENG 111*	Human Creativity	Transfer Guide
Mathematics (MATH 102M or higher)	Transfer Guide	ECON 201S	ECO 201*
Language & Culture I	Transfer Guide*	Language & Culture II	Transfer Guide*
Oral Communication	Transfer Guide	Interpreting the Past	Transfer Guide
POLS 100S	PLS 241 or 242*	POLS 101S	PLS 130, 135, 211 or 212*

YEAR 2 - SOPHOMORE (32 CREDITS)

FALL SEMESTER (16 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:	SPRING SEMESTER (16 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:
ENGL 211C (Grade of C or better required)	ENG 112 or 210*	Literature	Transfer Guide
Language & Culture III	Transfer Guide*	Language & Culture IV	Transfer Guide*
The Nature of Science I	Transfer Guide	The Nature of Science II	Transfer Guide
Philosophy and Ethics	Transfer Guide	Impact of Technology	Transfer Guide
ECON 202S or GEOG 100S	ECO 202 or GEO 210*	POLS 102S	PLS 140*

YEAR 3 - JUNIOR (30 CREDITS)

FALL SEMESTER (15 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:	SPRING SEMESTER (15 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:
<u>Major Coursework:</u>		<u>Major Coursework:</u>	
POLS 308 (Grade of C- or better required) <i>Satisfies Information Literacy and Research</i>		POLS 300-/400-level "W" course (Grade of C or better required)	
POLS 300-/400-level elective****		POLS 300-/400-level elective****	
POLS 300-/400-level elective****		POLS 400-level elective****	
POLS 300-/400-level elective****		<u>Upper Division Gen. Ed. Coursework:**</u>	
<u>Upper Division Gen. Ed. Coursework:**</u>		300-/400-level course in minor subject	
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YEAR 4 - SENIOR (28 CREDITS)

FALL SEMESTER (15 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:	SPRING SEMESTER (13 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:
<u>Major Coursework:</u>		<u>Major Coursework:</u>	
POLS 400-level elective****		POLS 400-level elective****	
<u>Upper Division Gen. Ed. Coursework:**</u>		<u>Elective Coursework:***</u>	
300-/400-level course in minor subject		3-credit elective course	
<u>Elective Coursework:***</u>		3-credit elective course	
3-credit elective course		3-credit elective course	
3-credit elective course		1-credit elective course	
3-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.