

2015-2016 Old Dominion University Catalog

Political Science - Bachelor of Arts

This is a sample four year curriculum with a suggested ordering of courses. Students have the flexibility of re-ordering as needed.

YEAR 1 - FRESHMAN (30 CREDITS)

FALL SEMESTER (15 credits)	Credits	SPRING SEMESTER (15 credits)	Credits	SUMMER SEMESTER
<u>General Education Coursework:</u>		<u>General Education Coursework:</u>		
ENGL 110C (Grade of C or better required)	3	Human Creativity	3	
Mathematics (MATH 102M or higher)	3	Human Behavior: ECON 201S	3	
Language & Culture I	3	Language & Culture II	3	
Oral Communication	3	Interpreting the Past	3	
<u>Major Coursework:</u>		<u>Major Coursework:</u>		
POLS 100S	3	POLS 101S	3	

YEAR 2 - SOPHOMORE (32 CREDITS)

FALL SEMESTER (16 credits)	Credits	SPRING SEMESTER (16 credits)	Credits	SUMMER SEMESTER
<u>General Education Coursework:</u>		<u>General Education Coursework:</u>		
ENGL 211C (Grade of C or better required)	3	Literature	3	
Language & Culture III	3	Language & Culture IV	3	
The Nature of Science I	4	The Nature of Science II	4	
Philosophy and Ethics	3	Impact of Technology	3	
<u>Major Coursework:</u>		<u>Major Coursework:</u>		
ECON 202S or GEOG 100S	3	POLS 102S	3	

YEAR 3 - JUNIOR (30 CREDITS)

FALL SEMESTER (15 credits)	Credits	SPRING SEMESTER (15 credits)	Credits	SUMMER SEMESTER
<u>Major Coursework:</u>		<u>Major Coursework:</u>		<i>Students who choose to complete an internship often do so this semester.</i>
POLS 308 (Grade of C- or better required) <i>Satisfies Information Literacy and Research</i>	3	POLS 300-/400-level "W" course (Grade of C or better required)	3	
POLS 300-/400-level elective*	3	POLS 300-/400-level elective*	3	
POLS 300-/400-level elective*	3	POLS 400-level elective*	3	<i>You may use one POLS 300-/400-level elective course for your internship/co-op work.</i>
POLS 300-/400-level elective*	3	<u>Upper Division Gen. Ed. Coursework:**</u>		
<u>Upper Division Gen. Ed. Coursework:**</u>		300-/400-level course in minor subject	3	
300-/400-level course in minor subject	3	300-/400-level course in minor subject	3	

YEAR 4 - SENIOR (28 CREDITS)

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

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

**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.*

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

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