

2020 - 2021 Old Dominion University Catalog

Bachelor of Science in Political Science

Sample four year curriculum with a suggested ordering of courses. Students may re-order as needed.

** indicates not automatically waived with transferrable associates degree, C or better required for transfer.*

Courses in green are waived by the completion of an Associate degree (Not eligible for Applied Associate degrees).

YEAR 1 - FRESHMAN (30 CREDITS)

FALL SEMESTER (15 credits)	<u>VCCS Equivalency:</u>	SPRING SEMESTER (15 credits)	<u>VCCS Equivalency:</u>
ENGL 110C (Grade of C or better required)	ENG 111*	Human Creativity	Transfer Guide
STAT 130M (Grade of C- or better required)	MTH 146, 155, 157, 240, 241, 242 or 245*	Interpreting the Past	Transfer Guide
Language & Culture I (May be waived, see catalog for details)	Transfer Guide	Language & Culture II (May be waived, see catalog for details)	Transfer Guide
Oral Communication	Transfer Guide	3-credit elective course***	PLS 130, 135, 211 or 212*
POLS 101S	PLS 130, 135, 211 or 212*	POLS 100S	PLS 241 or 242*

YEAR 2 - SOPHOMORE (32 CREDITS)

FALL SEMESTER (16 credits)	<u>VCCS Equivalency:</u>	SPRING SEMESTER (16 credits)	<u>VCCS Equivalency:</u>
ENGL 211C (Grade of C or better required)	ENG 112 or 210*	Literature	Transfer Guide
The Nature of Science I	Transfer Guide	The Nature of Science II	Transfer Guide
ECON 201S	ECO 201*	Impact of Technology	Transfer Guide
Philosophy and Ethics	Transfer Guide	ECON 202S or GEOG 100S	ECO 202 or GEO 210*
POLS 102S	PLS 140*	POLS 300-/400-level elective****	

YEAR 3 -JUNIOR (30 CREDITS)

FALL SEMESTER (15 credits)	<u>VCCS Equivalency:</u>	SPRING SEMESTER (15 credits)	<u>VCCS Equivalency:</u>
<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 418	
<u>Upper Division Gen. Ed. Coursework:**</u>		POLS 300-/400-level elective****	
300-/400-level course in minor subject		<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	

YEAR 4 - SENIOR (28 CREDITS)

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