

**Department of History and Political Science**  
**Bachelor of Arts in Political Sciences**  
**Major Code: POLI**  
**Curriculum Guide Effective Fall 2025**

<b>COURSE</b>	<b>CR</b>	<b>COURSE</b>	<b>CR</b>
<b>Freshman Year: First Semester</b>		<b>Freshman Year: Second Semester</b>	
<i>Student Success (SS)</i>	1	POLI 101 Writing for the Social Sciences	3
ENGL 100 (WC)	3	ENGL 101 (WC)	3
<i>Global Awareness Elective (GL)</i> <sup>1</sup>	3	<i>Knowledge of African American History and Culture (AA)</i> <sup>2</sup>	3
<i>MATH Prefix (MLAR)</i>	3	<i>Mathematical, Logical &amp; Analytical Reasoning Elective (MLAR)</i> <sup>3</sup>	3
POLI 100 Intro. To Political Science	3	<i>Scientific Reasoning (SR w/lab)</i>	4
POLI 110 American Government	3	<b>Semester Total</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Semester Total</b>	<b>16</b>		
<b>Sophomore Year: First Semester</b>		<b>Sophomore Year: Second Semester</b>	
POLI 215 State and Local Government	3	POLI 240 Public Administration	3
<i>Humanities/Fine Arts Elective (HFA)</i> <sup>4</sup>	3	<i>Social/Behavioral Sciences Elective</i> <sup>6</sup>	3
SPCH 250 Speech Fundamentals	3	POLI 251 Intro. To Statistics	3
<i>Scientific Reasoning Elective (SR)</i> <sup>5</sup>	3	POLI 252 Intro. To Statistics Lab	1
ENGL 200 Survey of Humanities I	3	ENGL 201 Survey of Humanities II	3
		PSYC 101 General Psychology	3
<b>Semester Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Semester Total</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Junior Year: First Semester</b>		<b>Junior Year: Second Semester</b>	
POLI 233 Political Research Methods I	3	POLI 234 Political Research Methods II	3
POLI 442 American Constitutional Law	3	POLI 443 Civil Liberties	3
ECON 200 or ECON 201	3	POLI 221 Political Theory	3
FOLA Elective <sup>7</sup>	3	FOLA Elective <sup>7</sup>	3
POLI Elective <sup>8</sup>	3	IR and CP Restricted Requirement <sup>9</sup>	3
<b>Semester Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Semester Total</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Senior Year: First Semester</b>		<b>Senior Year: Second Semester</b>	
IR and CP Restricted Requirement <sup>9</sup>	3	POLI 492 Capstone	3
Free Elective <sup>10</sup>	3	POLI Elective <sup>8</sup>	3
POLI Elective <sup>8</sup>	3	Free Elective <sup>10</sup>	3
POLI Elective <sup>8</sup>	3	POLI Elective <sup>8</sup>	3
Free Elective <sup>10</sup>	3		
<b>Semester Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Semester Total</b>	<b>12</b>

**Total Credit Hours: 120**

<sup>1</sup> Student must take a course from the from the approved Global Awareness General Education course list (may take HIST 130, HIST 206, HIST 207, HIST 216, HIST 231).

<sup>2</sup> Student must take course from the approved Knowledge of African American History and Culture General Education Course list (may take HIST 103, 206, 207).

<sup>3</sup> Student must take a course from the approved Mathematical, Logical and Analytical Reasoning General Education course list (may take HIST 277).

<sup>4</sup> Student must take a course from the approved Humanities/Fine Arts (HFA) electives General Education course list and should discuss options with their advisor.

<sup>5</sup> Student must take a course from the approved Scientific Reasoning (SR) Non-Lab General Education course list and should discuss options with their advisor.

<sup>6</sup>Student must take a course from the approved Social/Behavioral Sciences General Education course list other than any POLI courses applied to the major (may take POLI 250).

<sup>7</sup>Student must complete two courses (a minimum of 6 hours) of the same foreign language.

<sup>8</sup> 15 hrs. Students may take any Political Science courses at the 300 level or above, not including required Political Science courses.

<sup>9</sup>Students must complete six (6) credit hours of International Relations and Comparative Politics Restricted Requirement courses for the Political Science major requirement. To fulfill the International Relations Restricted Requirement students must select from POLI 441, POLI 444 or POLI 434 (formerly POLI 544). To fulfill the Comparative Politics Restricted Requirement students must select from POLI 310, POLI 445 or POLI 446.

<sup>10</sup>Students may take any course at the University for which they meet the prerequisites.

### MAJOR PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

*Students must earn a C or better in the following courses:*

POLI 100	POLI 234
POLI 110	POLI 240
POLI 215	POLI 221
POLI 251	POLI 442
POLI 252	POLI 443
POLI 233	POLI 492

International Relations & Comparative Politics Restricted Requirement	
POLI 441	International Relations Selection
POLI 444	International Relations Selection
POLI 434	International Relations Selection
POLI 310	Comparative Politics Selection
POLI 445	Comparative Politics Selection
POLI 446	Comparative Politics Selection