

Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Political Science (American Politics) Four-Year Degree Plan (2019)

121 hours needed to complete the BA in Political Science

First Year

Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
Course	Hours	Course	Hours
GOVT 1315 American Politics	3	GOVT 1316 State and Local Politics	3
ENGL 1311 (or 1311L) Composition I	3	ENGL 1312 Composition II	3
FINE ARTS CORE: Any three-hour Performance or History course in Visual Art, Dance, Music, or Theatre (Computer Graphic Arts courses will not satisfy this requirement)	3	MATH CORE—2303 (3)—Students who select other than MATH 2303 will be required to take an additional statistics class for the major.	3
HIST 1311, 1312, 1321, 1322, or 3310H Elective	3	RELS 1305, 1315, 1325, or 1335	3
Total Hours	15	Total Hours	15

Second Year

Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
Course	Hours	Course	Hours
GOVT 2305 Introduction to Political Studies	3	GOVT 2325 Social Science Research Methods	3
GOVT 2310 Comparative Politics	3	GOVT 2320 International Relations	3
ENGL 2310 World Literature Studies	3	DWHP 1200 (or DWHP 3200) and 1-hour lifelong physical activity course	3
Modern Language	3	Modern Language	3
NATURAL SCIENCE w/ Lab: See options below.	4	PHIL 1381 Introduction to Philosophy	3
Total Hours	16	Total Hours	15

Third Year

Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
Course	Hours	Course	Hours
American GOVT Elective: See options below.	3	American GOVT Electives (upper-division): See options below.	6
RELS or PHIL CORE: Any 3-hr upper-division REL or PHIL course	3	Elective	3
SOCI 3381	3	Minor	3
Minor	3	Minor or Elective	3
Minor or Elective	3		
Total Hours	15	Total Hours	15

Fourth Year

Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
Course	Hours	Course	Hours
American GOVT Electives (upper-division): See options below	6	GOVT Elective (upper-division)	6
Minor or Electives (upper-division)	6	Minor or Electives (upper-division)	9
Elective (upper-division)	3		
Total Hours	15	Total Hours	15

CORE OPTIONS

American Government Electives	Natural Science
Choose from GOVT 1391, 2342, 2350, 2392, 3300, 3305, 3353, 3371, 4315, 4316, 4317, 4321, 4325, 4335, 4365, or 4385, or COMM 4332	BIOL 1401, 1402, 2321/2121; CHEM 1301/1101, 1405; ENSC 1410 or ENSC 3420H; GEOL 1401, 1402, 1415, 1420; METR 1430; NUTR 2400; PHYS 1301/1101, 2305/2105, 2308/2108