

NAME: _____

AU ID: _____

Additional Majors/Minors: _____

Intended Graduation: _____

POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR

(39-40 Credit Hours with grades of C or better) including at least 18 credit hours at or above 300-level.

Portfolio requirement: all students submit a portfolio of 2-4 papers of their best written work from upper-level major courses in the final semester of their program for departmental assessment

WRITING and MATHEMATICS REQUIREMENTS : *must be completed before completing 30 credits in residence*

WRTG-100 or AP/IB Exam credit _____

Writing Proficiency Exam: _____

WRTG-101 or WRTG-106 _____

Math _____

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENT *General Education Requirements must be completed before completing 60 credits in residence*

AREA I: The Creative Arts _____

AREA 2: Western Traditions _____

AREA 3: Global & Multicultural Perspective _____

AREA 4: Social Institutions & Behavior _____

AREA 5: The Natural Sciences _____

NOTE: A maximum of 2 courses from any academic department may be used for General Education requirements (for example, only 2 government courses or 2 literature courses, etc.)

All courses must be taken for letter grade (A-F).

No duplicate credit is awarded for repeated courses. Students are responsible for meeting all course prerequisites.

REQUIRED FOUNDATION COURSES (19-20 Credits)

Semester/Grade

- **GOVT-105** Individual Freedom vs. Authority ^(FA 2)

- **GOVT-110** Politics in the US ^(FA 4)

- **GOVT-130** Comparative Politics ^(FA 3)

- **GOVT-310** Introduction to Political Research *

* Prerequisite ***STAT-202** Basic Statistics or ***STAT-203** Basic Statistics with Calculus

MAJOR RELATED SOCIAL SCIENCE:

Complete 3 credit hours above the introductory level from one of the following disciplines: economics, history, international studies, sociology, and the following courses in the specified disciplines.

AMERICAN STUDIES

AMST-200 American Dreams/American Lives

AMST-240 Poverty and Culture ^(FA 4)

AMST-320 American Cultural History

AMST-330 Contemporary American Culture

AMST-340 Community Activism and Regional Studies

AMST-400 Interpreting American Culture

ANTHROPOLOGY

ANTH-210 Roots of Racism & Interracial Harmony ^(FA 3)

ANTH-215 Sex, Gender and Culture ^(FA 3)

ANTH-220 Living in Multicultural Societies ^(FA 3)

ANTH-541 Public Anthropology and State Policy

ARAB WORLD STUDIES

AWST-225 Arab Societies ^(FA 3)

COMMUNICATION

COMM-327 The PR Presidency

COMM-360 Myths of the Media

COMM-509 Politics & the Media

COMM-514 Censorship and Media

ECONOMICS

any course above ECON-200

HISTORY

any course above HIST-200

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

any course above SISU-200

JUSTICE, LAW, & CRIMINOLOGY

JLC-308 Justice, Morality & the Law

JLC-309 Justice and Public Policy

JLC-451 Drugs, Crime and Public Policy

JLC-454 Violence, Justice and the Law

PHILOSOPHY

PHIL-235 Theories of Demo. & Human Rights ^(FA 2)

PHIL-240 Ethics in the Professions ^(FA 4)

PSYCHOLOGY

PSYC-205 Social Psychology ^(FA 4)

SOCIOLOGY

any Course above SOCY-200

WOMEN'S & GENDER STUDIES

WGST-225 Gender, Politics & Power ^(FA 4)

☐ Non-Concentration Major

- 24 Credits in approved courses
- A minimum of 12-15 credits must be completed at the 300-level or above (dependent on whether an upper-level course fulfills the Major Related Social Science requirement), at least 15 of which must be completed in residence (Academic Regulation 9.1)
- With at least 6 credit hours at the 400-500 level

18 credits at 200-300 level in Government (GOVT-xxx or PUAD-xxx or SPA-xxx)

- Six credits - with a maximum of 6 credits from any one area - of 200-300 level requirements may be taken from the following:

GOVT-391 Internship	
GOVT-490 Independent Study	SISU-xxx International Studies
GOVT-480/481 Honors Thesis	Washington Semester Program
SPA-xxx	AU Abroad courses

6 credits at 400-500 level in Government (GOVT-xxx or SPA-xxx)

- except : GOVT-480 GOVT-490 GOVT-590
 GOVT-481 GOVT-492 AU Abroad courses
- A maximum of three 1- credit courses may be used toward completion of the 400-500 level requirement.

Concentration Major:

- 24 credits in approved courses with at least 6 credit hours at the 400/500 level
 - The following may not be used toward the 4/500-level course requirement: :

GOVT-480	GOVT-490	GOVT-590
GOVT-481	GOVT-492	AU Abroad courses
 - A maximum of three 1- credit courses may be used toward completion of the 400-500 level requirement
- A minimum of 12-15 credits must be completed at the 300-level or above (dependent on whether an upper-level course fulfills the Major Related Social Science requirement), at least 15 of which must be completed in residence (*Academic Regulation 9.1*)
- **Up to 9 credit hours with a maximum of 6 credit hours from any one area** – may be taken from the following:

GOVT-391 Internship	SIS/SISU-xxx	Washington Semester
GOVT-490 Ind. Study	SPA-xxx	AU Abroad
SPA-480/481 Honors Thesis		

Students are required to take:

- 15 credits from their selected area of concentration
- The remaining 9 credits are selected from other Government courses; courses may not be double counted
- A maximum of three 1-credit courses may be used toward completion of a concentration. The one credit courses must share the same number (ex.: GOVT-521)

CONCENTRATION:

American Government	Law & Politics
Comparative Politics	Policy
Gender, Race & Politics	Political Theory

CONCENTRATION COURSES:

Semester/Grade

ADDITIONAL GOVT COURSES (9 credits):

Semester/Grade

Approved Concentration Courses

Courses may not be double counted between concentrations; Additional courses with prior approval by the Department.

American Government

GOVT-210 Political Power & American Public Policy
GOVT-240 Metropolitan Politics
GOVT-315 Elections & Voting Behavior
GOVT-320 The Presidency
GOVT-321 Congress & Legislative Behavior
GOVT-322 American Political Parties
GOVT-323 Interest Group Politics
GOVT-325 Minority Politics in the US
GOVT-352 Law & the Political System
GOVT-422 Studies in Political Behavior
GOVT-423 Politics of Civil Rights
GOVT-426 US Intelligence Community
GOVT-427 Government Regulation & Deregulation
GOVT-430 Principles of Homeland Security
GOVT-431 Watergate: A Constitutional Crisis
GOVT-440 Minority Representation and Ethnic Conflict
GOVT-441 The Politics of Mass Communication
GOVT-443 Applied Political Writing
GOVT-444 Political Speechwriting
GOVT-445 Political Parties, Interest Groups Lobbying

* Consult Dept. of Government for approved topics

GOVT-455 Equal Protection
GOVT-461 Politics in the TV Age
GOVT-469 Media & Political Intervention: Vietnam to Iraq
GOVT-482 Women & Politics
GOVT-483 Women, Politics & Public Policy
GOVT-484 Women & Political Leadership
GOVT-485 Topics in Women & Politics (1-4 cr.)
GOVT-520 Campaign Management Institute (4 cr.)
GOVT-521 Topics in Campaign Management (1 cr.)
GOVT-523 Public Affairs Advocacy Institute (3-4 cr.)
GOVT-524 Topics in Public Affairs Advocacy (1 cr.)
PUAD-260 Administrative Politics
SPA-220 The American Constitution
SPA-350 Constitutional Law I: Powers & Federalism
SPA-351 Constitutional Law II: Civil Rights & Liberties

Comparative Politics

GOVT-231 Politics in the Developing World
GOVT-232 Politics of State & Society
GOVT-233 Communism & Capitalism in East Asia
GOVT-235 Political Conflict
GOVT-332 Comparative Environmental Politics
GOVT-335 Democratization: Theory & Practice
GOVT-349 The Middle East in Comparative Perspective
GOVT-438 Mexico & the World in the 21st Century

GOVT-440 Minority Representation & Ethnic Conflict
GOVT-442 Bottom-up Comparative Politics
GOVT-450 Politics in Cuba
GOVT-487 Gender & Politics in the Middle East
GOVT-523 European Public Affairs and Public Affairs Advocacy Institute (3-4 cr.)
JLC-402 Comparative Systems of Law and Justice
JLC-405 Comparative Criminology and Criminal Justice

Gender, Race & Politics

GOVT-231 Politics in Developing World
GOVT-240 Metropolitan Politics
GOVT-325 Minority Politics in the US
GOVT-423 Politics of Civil Rights
GOVT-440 Minority Representation & Ethnic Conflict
GOVT-455 Equal Protection

GOVT-482 Women & Politics
GOVT-483 Women, Politics & Public Policy
GOVT-484 Women & Political Leadership
GOVT-485 Topics in Women & Politics (1-4 cr.)
GOVT-486 Feminist Political Theory
GOVT-487 Gender & Politics in the Middle East

SPA-220 The American Constitution
SPA-351 Constitutional Law II: Civil Rights & Liberties

Law & Politics

GOVT-226 The Constitution, Presidential Power, & the War on Terror
GOVT-352 Law & the Political System
GOVT-423 Politics of Civil Rights
GOVT-455 Equal Protection
GOVT-458 Landmark Law Cases

SPA-220 The American Constitution
SPA-350 Constitutional Law I: Powers & Federalism
SPA-351 Constitutional Law II: Civil Rights & Liberties

Policy

GOVT-210 Political Power & American Public Policy
GOVT-240 Metropolitan Politics
GOVT-315 Elections & Voting Behavior
GOVT-321 Congress & Legislative Behavior
GOVT-323 Interest Group Politics
GOVT-423 Advanced Studies in Public Policy*
GOVT-427 Government Regulation & Deregulation

GOVT-445 Political Parties, Interest Groups & Lobbying
GOVT-464 Politics & Policy in the Digital Age
GOVT-483 Women, Politics & Public Policy
GOVT-523 Public Affairs & Advocacy Institute (3-4 cr.)
GOVT-523 European Public Affairs and Public Affairs Advocacy Institute (3-4 cr.)
SPA-370 American Environmental Policy and Politics

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Political Theory

GOVT-205 Political Theory: Issues and Texts (1cr.)
GOVT-326 History of the Conservative Movement
GOVT-403 Ancient Political Thought
GOVT-404 Burke's Political Thought
GOVT-405 Modern Political Thought

GOVT-406 American Political Thought
GOVT-408 The Idea of America in European Political Thought: 1492-Present
GOVT-409 Contemporary Political Thought
GOVT-486 Feminist Political Theory