BACHELOR OF ARTS (B.A.) MAJOR IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

Minimum required: 120 semester credit hours

General Requirements

1. The general education core curriculum courses are listed in the degree plan below along with the statewide component code number. See the General Education Core Curriculum (http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/general-education-core-curriculum) section of this catalog for the Texas State requirements and options in the core curriculum, including Honors courses.

2. In addition to the general education core curriculum requirements, the Bachelor of Arts degree (http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/degree-program-information) (B.A.) requires three additional hours of English literature, three hours of math/science/logic/computer science courses, six hours of 2000-level modern language courses and a minor.

3. Majors must select a minor from the approved list of Undergraduate Minors (http://www.mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/minors).

4. Majors must complete a minimum of 36 advanced hours (3000 or 4000 level courses).

5. Nine hours of writing intensive (WI) courses are required for graduation.

6. The minimum number of hours required for this degree program is 120. The number of free elective hours a student will complete depends on the number of hours a student may need to achieve the required 120 total or 36 advanced hours.

7. For transfer students, 12 semester credit hours in government and mathematics (or their equivalents) may be transferred from a Texas public institution of higher education for the Political Science and Government Field of Study and be applied to the Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Political Science at Texas State University. More information about the Field of Study (http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/general-information/academic-policies/texas-legislative-requirements) is available in the Academic Policies section of this catalog. The transferable Texas Common Course Number (TCCN) is listed below the Texas State University course number in the following course list.

8. Students in the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree with a major in Political Science must take a minimum of 36 hours in Political Science including the following courses:

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<td>PS 3300</td>
<td>Basic Political Ideas or PS 3301 Basic Political Institutions</td>
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<td>One advanced course from four of the five groups:</td>
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<td>I. Political Theory and Methodology</td>
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<td>PS 4399</td>
<td>Senior Seminar in Political Science</td>
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<td>or PS 4398 Practicum in Political Science: Concepts, Resources, and Applications in the Study of Politics</td>
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1 PS 3300 or PS 3301 serve as corequisites for all advanced courses in political science.

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1 | PS 3300 or PS 3301 serve as corequisites for all advanced courses in political science.
2 | The code numbers for courses in this catalog are based on the Texas Common Course Number system and are subject to change.
3 | The course requirements for the Bachelor of Arts with a major in Political Science may be found in the Academic Policies section of this catalog.
Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Major in Political Science

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1 Majors are required to complete 6 additional hours of history in Western or World Civilization (HIST 2310 or HIST 2311 and HIST 2312 or HIST 2320).

2 The senior seminar courses (PS 4398 or PS 4399) have a prerequisite of at least 21 hours of Political Science.

Political Science Advanced Group Electives

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<td>Modern Political Theory (1600 - 1900)</td>
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| PS 3341 | Comparative Politics | 3 |
| PS 3347 | Politics of Modern Southeast Asia | 3 |
| PS 4331 | Islamic Law and Politics | 3 |
| PS 3348 | Revolution and Nationalism | 3 |
| PS 3352 | Theories of International Politics | 3 |
| PS 3343 | Government and Politics of Latin America | 3 |
| PS 3344 | Government and Politics of Europe | 3 |
| PS 3345 | Government and Politics of Russia | 3 |
| PS 4346 | Organization of American States | 3 |
| PS 4343 | Politics of Democratization in Developing Countries | 3 |
| PS 3346 | Government and Politics of Asia | 3 |
| PS 3342 | African Politics | 3 |
| PS 4344 | The Politics of Extremism | 3 |

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| GROUP V - INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS | PS 3351 | Introduction to International Studies | 3 |
| PS 4341 | Civil-Military Relations in Comparative Politics | 3 |
| PS 3353 | Issues in World Politics | 3 |
| PS 3352 | Theories of International Politics | 3 |
| PS 4352 | International Law | 3 |
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