

MAJOR IN POLITICAL SCIENCE, POWER, JUSTICE, AND DEMOCRACY CONCENTRATION

Political science majors must achieve a minimum grade of C (2.000) in each of the political science (POLS) courses counted toward meeting the requirement of the major. Students may enroll in either the standalone major or (at most) one of the concentrations under the Major in Political Science.

Upper-Division course in at least four subfields of political science required to register for POLS 492.

Major Completion Map

Distinctive Requirements for Degree Program:

Freshman

Semester 1		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
CO 150	College Composition (GT-CO2)	X		1A	3
POLS 101	American Government and Politics (GT-SS1)	X		3C	3
Arts and Humanities (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#arts-humanities)			X	3B	3
Biological and Physical Sciences (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#biological-physical-sciences)			X	3A	4
Elective			X		2
Total Credits					15
Semester 2		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
POLS 272	Politics of Power, Justice, and Democracy (GT-SS1)			1C	3
1B	(http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#aucc)	X		1B	3
Arts and Humanities (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#arts-humanities)			X	3B	3
Historical Perspectives (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#historical-perspectives)			X	3D	3
Elective			X		3
CO 150 must be completed by the end of Semester 2.		X			
Total Credits					15

Sophomore

Semester 3		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
POLS 232	International Relations (GT-SS1)	X		1C	3
Support Option (See option list on Concentration Requirements Tab)		X			3-12
Biological and Physical Sciences (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#biological-physical-sciences)			X	3A	3
Electives			X		0-9
Total Credits					18
Semester 4		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
POLS 241	Comparative Government and Politics (GT-SS1)	X		1C	3
Select one course from the following:		X			3
CO 300	Writing Arguments (GT-CO3)			2	
CO 301A	Writing in the Disciplines: Arts and Humanities (GT-CO3)			2	
CO 301B	Writing in the Disciplines: Sciences (GT-CO3)			2	
CO 301C	Writing in the Disciplines: Social Sciences (GT-CO3)			2	
CO 301D	Writing in the Disciplines: Education (GT-CO3)			2	
CO 302	Writing in Digital Environments (GT-CO3)			2	
JTC 300	Strategic Writing and Communication (GT-CO3)			2	
LB 300	Specialized Professional Writing			2	

International Relations, Comparative Politics, Public Policy and Administration/American Politics and Law (See Department list on Concentration Requirements tab)	X			3
Electives		X		6
Total Credits				15
Junior				
Semester 5	Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
International Relations, Comparative Politics, Public Policy and Administration/American Politics and Law (courses not previously taken; see list on Concentration Requirements tab)	X			3-6
Power, Justice, and Democracy Course List (courses not previously taken; See Department list on Concentration Requirements Tab)	X			3-6
Support Option (See Option list on Concentration Requirements tab)	X			3-6
Elective		X		0-9
Total Credits				18
Semester 6	Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
Political Theory (select one course from the following:	X			3
POLS 420 History of Political Thought			4A,4B	
POLS 421 Contemporary Political Theories			4A,4B	
POLS 422 Democratic Theory			4A,4B	
POLS 423 American Political Theories			4A,4B	
Support Option (See Option list on Concentration Requirements tab)	X			3-6
Electives		X		3-6
Total Credits				12
Senior				
Semester 7	Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
Power, Justice, and Democracy Course List (courses not taken previously; see list on Concentration Requirements tab)	X			3-6
Support Option (See Option list on Concentration Requirements tab)	X			3-6
Elective		X		0-6
Total Credits				12
Semester 8	Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
POLS 492 Capstone Seminar	X		4A,4B,4C	3
Support Option (See Option list on Concentration Requirements tab)	X			3-6
Electives		X		6-9
The benchmark courses for the 8th semester are the remaining courses in the entire program of study.	X			
Total Credits				15
Program Total Credits:				120