

MAJOR IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

Major Completion Map

Distinctive Requirements for Degree Program:

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.

At least 24 credits of upper-division political science courses must be completed for the major. The 24 credits include the senior capstone course, POLS 492, at least 3 credits of AUCC 4A and 4B in addition to POLS 492, and at least one upper-division course in each of the following five subfields.

Freshman

Semester 1		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
CO 150	College Composition (GT-CO2)			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)				3B	3
Biological and Physical Sciences (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#biological-physical-sciences)				3A	4
Elective					2

Total Credits

15

Semester 2		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
POLS 103	State and Local Government and Politics (GT-SS1)		X	3C	3
Arts and Humanities (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#arts-humanities)				3B	3
Historical Perspectives (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#historical-perspectives)				3D	3
Quantitative Reasoning (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#quantitativereasoning)				1B	3
Elective					3
CO 150 must be completed by the end of Semester 2.					

Total Credits

15

Sophomore

Semester 3		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
POLS 232	International Relations (GT-SS1)		X	1C	3
Biological and Physical Sciences (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#biological-physical-sciences)				3A	3
Support Option (See option list on Major Requirements Tab)					3-12
Electives					6

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:					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	
POLS*** Upper-Division (See list on Major Requirements Tab)					3-6
Electives					6

Total Credits

15

Junior

Semester 5	Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
POLS*** AUCC 4A and/or 4B (See list on Major Requirements Tab)			4A,4B	3
POLS*** Upper-Division (See list on Major Requirements Tab)				3
Support Option (See Option list on Major Requirements Tab)				3-6
Electives				3-6
Total Credits				15

Semester 6	Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
POLS*** Upper-Division (See list on Major Requirements Tab)				3-9
Support Option (See Option list on Major Requirements Tab)				3-6
Electives				3-6
Total Credits				15

Senior

Semester 7	Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
POLS*** Upper-Division (See list on Major Requirements Tab)				3-6
Support Option (See Option list on Major Requirements Tab)				3-6
Electives				6
Total Credits				12

Semester 8	Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
POLS 492 Capstone Seminar	X		4A,4B,4C	3
POLS*** Upper-Division (See list on Major Requirements Tab)	X			3
Support Option (See Option list on Major Requirements Tab)	X			3-6
Electives	X			3-6
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