

BACHELOR OF ARTS - POLITICAL SCIENCE

Following is a suggested course sequence for your program. Courses may be offered as indicated and/or at other times. Consult your Advisor for further direction and planning.

YEAR 1

FIRST SEMESTER		SECOND SEMESTER	
LEARNING COMMUNITIES are generally completed in the first year (LC1 in the 1st semester; LC2 in the 2nd semester)			
CMP101 English Composition	3	Govt/History/Pol Sci electives (see page 1 for options)	3
IND101 Sustainable & Critical Relationships	3	Select One*:	3
Select One*:	3	GVT101 Comparative Politics	
GVT101 Comparative Politics		GVT113 Introduction to American Politics	
GVT113 Introduction to American Politics		GVT121 International Relations	
GVT121 International Relations		GVT125 Intro to Public Policy	
GVT125 Intro to Public Policy		HG103 Introductory Colloquium	2
Language/Core Elective (see Program Notes)	3	Language/Core Elective (see Program Notes)	3
CORE ELECTIVES AND/OR FREE ELECTIVES	3	CORE ELECTIVES AND/OR FREE ELECTIVES	6
	15		17

* All 4 of the courses listed are required courses which are to be taken by the end of the 1st semester of Year 2.

YEAR 2

FIRST SEMESTER		SECOND SEMESTER	
Select Two*:	6	Govt/History/Pol Sci electives (see page 1 for options)	3
GVT101 Comparative Politics		Language/Core Elective (see Program Notes)	3
GVT113 Introduction to American Politics		CORE ELECTIVES AND/OR FREE ELECTIVES	9
GVT121 International Relations			
GVT125 Intro to Public Policy			
Language/Core Elective (see Program Notes)	3		
MIS231 Visual Software OR MIS280 Computer Studies & Problem Solving	3		
CORE ELECTIVES AND/OR FREE ELECTIVES	3		
	15		15

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YEAR 3

FIRST SEMESTER		SECOND SEMESTER	
CFE97 Coop Prep Seminar AND 3 credits in CFE Coop Field Experience	3	GVT331 Political Science Research Methods	3
Govt/History/Pol Sci electives (see page 1 for options)	3	Govt/History/Pol Sci electives (see page 1 for options)	3
MTH104 Survey of Statistics	3	HG442 Thesis Research	1*
CORE ELECTIVES AND/OR FREE ELECTIVES	6	CORE ELECTIVES AND/OR FREE ELECTIVES	9
	15		16

YEAR 4

FIRST SEMESTER		SECOND SEMESTER	
Govt/History/Pol Sci electives (see page 1 for options)	3	Govt/History/Pol Sci electives (see page 1 for options)	3
HG443 Research Project	3*	CORE ELECTIVES AND/OR FREE ELECTIVES	12
CORE ELECTIVES AND/OR FREE ELECTIVES	9		
	15		15

*GVT331 and HG442 are prerequisites for HG443. HG443 will only be offered in the Fall semester and you will not be able to enroll in it if you fail GVT331 or HG442.

COURSE LOADS: Maximum of 17 credits allowed for all semesters. Additional course loads are allowed for students who achieve Dean's List. Consult the catalogue for details on the Dean's List privilege.

ADMISSION TO UPPER DIVISION REQUIREMENTS:

- A. An overall grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 or better.
- B. A grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 or better in all Political Science/History & Government courses.
- C. Students whose average falls below the stated 2.0 may be considered if written/oral work indicates a potential not yet realized.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

- A. An overall grade point average (GPA) of 2.00
- B. A minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.00 in all courses in the major.

PROGRAM NOTES:

A. **FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT:** Students must demonstrate proficiency in a foreign language at the intermediate level by passing an approved proficiency exam. Depending upon any previous preparation in a foreign language, a sequence of course work may be recommended.

LANGUAGE PLACEMENT GUIDELINES: Students will be placed in courses in language studies as follows:

- Placement in course #101: No previous language experience or only 1 year of high school language study
 - Placement in course #102: Credit for #101 or 2 years of high school language study
 - Placement in course #105: Credit for 102 or 3-4 years of high school language study
 - Placement in course #106: 4+ years of high school language study
 - Placement in 200-level courses or above: 4+ years of high school language study
- NOTE:** If a student has 4+ years of high school language (or is a native/heritage speaker) and does not wish to continue language classes, he/she should take the first available proficiency exam or see a Foreign language department member.

B. **PREREQUISITE STUDIES:** As in all majors, all prerequisites for courses in the program must be satisfied.

C. **PURSUIT OF MINOR:** In addition to the Political Science major, it is recommended that students pursue the completion of a minor(s) in another area of study. Consult the College website for a complete listing of available minors