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Program: Add: _____ Change: X Attach new/changed Program of Study description and 4-year plan. If in current online catalog, provide change and attach page with changes in red.

Justification: This revision is designed to follow the new guidelines for majors suggested by the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. The BA in Political Science has been streamlined and cut to allow students more flexibility. In addition, this major includes the new foreign language requirement.

Degree Requirements for the BA with a Major in Political Science

1. **Hours Required:** A minimum of **120** semester credit hours (SCH): 45 hours must be advanced, and fulfillment of degree requirements as specified in the "[Requirements for Graduation](#)" section of this catalog.
2. **University Core Curriculum:** **42** SCH as outlined in the suggested plans and as specified in the "[Requirements for Graduation](#)."
3. **MATH Elective:** **3** SCH selected from any math course above the level of College Algebra. MATH 1342, Introductory Statistics, strongly recommended.
4. **Foreign Language:** **6** SCH in one language.
5. **Major:** **36** SCH including PSCI [3301](#), [3313](#), [3314](#), [4311](#), and [4351](#). American Politics, select 3 SCH from PSCI [3320](#) or [4320](#). Comparative Politics, select 3 SCH from PSCI [3305](#) or [3310](#). International Relations select 3 SCH from PSCI [4335](#) or [4340](#). Comparative/ International Politics Elective, choose 3 SCH from PSCI [3308](#), [3340](#), [4309](#), or [4321](#) (when the topic is Comparative or International)); this requirement may also be filled by the "second" or unused course in the Comparative Politics or International Relations required course sequence. Political Science Electives, 9 SCH choose any three Upper Division (or higher for BA/MA students) PSCI courses not used for any other requirement.
6. **Geography:** **3** SCH designated as GEOG [1303](#). It is suggested that this course be your University Core Curriculum Social & Behavioral Science course option.
7. **Minor:** A minimum of **18** SCH from one discipline at least twelve of which must be at the 3000-4000 level. See [Appendix C](#).
8. **General Electives:** **15** SCH , at least **9** of which must be at the 3000-4000 level.
9. **BA/MA Option:** See [Combined BA/MA Programs](#) in this section.

BACHELOR OF ARTS
MAJOR IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

Following is **one** suggested four-year degree plan. Students are encouraged to see their advisor each semester for help with program decisions and enrollment. Students are responsible for reviewing the Program of Study Requirements.

*See Appendix A Core Curriculum and Optional Course Information.

**See Appendix C for approved list of minors and requirements.

FALL				HOURS	SPRING				HOURS
FRESHMAN YEAR					FRESHMAN YEAR				
ENGL	1301	English Composition I		3	ENGL	1302	English Composition II		3
MATH	1314	College Algebra		3	MATH		Math Elective ¹		3
HIST	1301	The U.S. to 1877		3	HIST	1302	The U.S. Since 1877		3
		General Elective		3	COMM		Communication ²		3
		Minor Curriculum**		3			Visual/Performing Arts		3
							Activity or Wellness*		1
Total				15					16
SOPHOMORE YEAR					SOPHOMORE YEAR				
PSCI	2305	American National Govt		3	PSCI	2306	American State Govt		3
ENGL		Survey of Literature*		3			Minor Curriculum**		3
GEOG	1303	General World Geography ³		3			General Elective		3
		Natural Science*		4			Natural Science*		4
		Foreign Language ⁴		3			Foreign Language ⁴		3
Total				16					16
JUNIOR YEAR					JUNIOR YEAR				
PSCI	3301	Research Methods Soc Sci		3	PSCI	3314	Modern Political Philosophy		3
PSCI	3313	Classical Pol.Philosophy		3	PSCI		International Relations ⁷		3
PSCI		American Politics ⁵		3	PSCI		Advanced PSCI Elective ⁶		3
PSCI		Advanced PSCI Elective ⁶		3			Advanced Minor Curr**		3
		Advanced Minor Curr**		3			Advanced Elective		3
Total				15					15
SENIOR YEAR					SENIOR YEAR				
PSCI	4311	Constitutional Law		3	PSCI		Advanced PSCI Elective ⁶		3
PSCI		Comparative Politics ⁸		3	PSCI	4351	Senior Seminar in PSCI		3
PSCI		Intl/ Comp. PSCI Elective ⁹		3			Social/ Behavioral Science* ¹⁰		3
		Advanced Minor Curr**		3			Advanced Minor Curr**		3
		Advanced Elective		3					
Total				15					12
TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS:				120					

¹Math elective, select 3 SCH from any math course above the level of [College Algebra](#). MATH [1342](#), Introductory Statistics, strongly recommended.

²Communication, select 3 SCH from ENGL [2311](#), HUM [2301](#) or SPCH [1311](#).

³This course may also serve as your Social & Behavioral Science [Core Curriculum Requirement](#).

⁴ All 6 SCH must be in the same foreign language.

⁵Upper Division American Politics Choose between PSCI 3320 or PSCI 4320.

⁶ Any Upper Division (or higher for BA/MA students) PSCI course not used for any other requirement.

⁷ Upper Division, International Relations. Choose between PSCI 4335 or PSCI 4340.

⁸ Upper Division, Comparative Politics. Choose between PSCI 3305 or PSCI 3310.

⁹ International/ Comparative Politics Elective. Choose from PSCI 3308, PSCI 3340, PSCI 4309, or PSCI 4321 (when the topic is comparative or international)); this requirement may also be filled by the “second” or unused course in the Comparative Politics or International Relations required course sequence.

¹⁰ Or if you wish and if you have taken GOEG 1303 as suggested, this is a General Elective.

Note: See information on the combined [BA/MA](#) in Political Science.

Approvals:	Signature	Date
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