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Sent: Monday, June 13, 2011 10:39 AM  
To: Soave, Melissa  
Subject: Fwd: Re: Semester Conversion proposal for PS BA  
Attachments: Chair's letter v4 to College.doc

Dear Melissa:

This email and the attachment need to be attached to the Political Science BA.

Thanks,  
Marilyn

>Original-recipient: rfc822:blackwell.4@osu.edu  
>From: Weisberg Herb <weisberg.1@asc.ohio-state.edu>  
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>Sorry, Marilyn, here it is.

>Herb

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>On Jun 2, 2011, at 1:02 PM, Marilyn Blackwell wrote:

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>> Dear Herb:  
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>> You mention an "attached." But there was no attachment. I;m afraid  
> that it is important that you send me the revised proposal, because if  
> it has to wend its way through Gene and CCI and Terry Gustafson before  
> we see it, it may never arrive!!! Thanks!!\

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>> Marilyn

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>> At 11:04 AM 6/2/2011, you wrote:

> >> Dear Marilyn,  
> >> Thanks for all the good points. Answers A to F below; details in  
> >> the  
> attached. I think this answers all the questions and improves the  
> proposal as well. We will upload the revised proposal this afternoon.  
> Be sure to let us know if further questions arise.  
> >> I'm keeping next Wednesday afternoon available, in case this and  
> >> our  
> general minor get to CAA then.  
> >> best,  
> >> Herb  
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> >>> A) Does the current major require nine courses, as the Transition  
> Policy suggests, or ten, as the Credit Hour Explanation on the Pacer  
> form suggests? Or is the Pre-Major the distinction here? The Credit  
> Hour Explanation and the text on CAA p. 8 both refer to 33 credit  
> hours which suggests that 11 courses are required. Again, is it safe  
> to assume that the Pre-Major course is the one course difference? The  
> Semester Advising Sheet is written such that it sounds as though one  
> needs eleven courses plus the pre-major course.  
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> >>> This is answered in the prefatory material I've  
> >>> added  
> to our transition polices. Due to revisions of our major in the past  
> few years, we have three versions of the major running right now, so  
> the answer is that some students need nine, some ten, and semesters  
> require eleven; and the pre-major course counts if it is at the  
> 2000-level but not if it is at the 1000 level. So the total form  
> semesters might be twelve courses [maximum]. This has been clarified  
> in the attached as well under transition polices with a paragraph  
> titled "On the pre-major course requirement."  
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> >>> B) On CAA pp. 8-9, you mention the pre-major, the four-course  
> field distribution requirement, and the four-course focus requirement.  
> It initially seems as though there?s no indication as to where the  
> student takes the remaining two courses. But if you put a ?V.  
> Remaining Courses? at the top of CAA p. 11, that confusion disappears.  
> The semester-based advising sheet also doesn?t address these two other  
> courses. It would probably help students if it did.  
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> >>> We added "remaining courses" here as suggested. I  
> think we've made this all clear. The actual number of remaining  
> courses is four under semesters and three under quarters. We added  
> that these courses are chosen at the student's discretion in  
> consultation with an adviser - which is how we actually do it.

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> >>> C) The "CAA Reviewer's Aid and Expansion Check" is somewhat

> confusing. 1) It would be clearer if the boxes listing the pre-major

> courses also indicated that only one of these options is required.

> 2) This is the first we've read about Political Science 4551. Is

> this a requirement? Nothing that has gone before suggests that this

> is the case

> 3) Still there is no mention of the remaining two courses.

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> >>> We have changed the reviewer's aid as requested and

> believe that we've made good improvements. 4551 is not required, but

> it is efficient; and since data analysis is required by ASC, the

> overlap is worth drawing students' attention to.

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> >>> D) Why do students entering the university before Autumn 2008 need

> nine courses for the major while students entering Autumn 2008 or

> after but before 2012 need ten?

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> >>> This is also explained in the transition policies

> additional text in the paragraph "Not on the Status Quo Ante;" as I

> say in A above, we have three different versions of the major running

> right now, and these things were caused by the revisions.

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> >>> E) There is no statement in the Transition Policy to the effect

> that students will be held harmless during the conversion. Since CAA

> is asking all units to include such a statement, could you please do so?

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> >>> This has been added into the text preceding the

> transition policies. In the paragraph "Our transition policies to be

> published to students" we say [addressing, in this case, CAA], "No

> student, under any circumstances, will be delayed in progress toward

> graduation on account of our transition to semesters." And in our

> actual policies that we will publish, our official statement is "Under

> no circumstances will the Department of Political Science permit our

> transition to semesters to delay a student's progress toward

> completion of the major on account of changes under our control."

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> >>> Additional support and information about this is included now, and

> >>> I

> think it will be clear that we have this in hand.

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> >>> F) CAA pages 23-43 are a duplication of pp. 2-23 and should just  
> be deleted. This might be a snafu within OAA so I'll let Melissa Soave  
know..

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> >>> The repeated material appears to have been removed.

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> >>> If you can arrange to get me a revised proposal (i.e. the proposal  
> that comes after the Pacer form) by late Thursday this week, I can  
> take them and the General Political Science minor to the Subcommittee  
> meeting on Friday and they would come before CAA next Wednesday and  
> you would be done!!!

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> >>> Thanks,

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> >>> Marilyn

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October 11, 2010

Gene Mumy  
ASC/SBS

Dear Gene,

I am writing to convey the Political Science degree programs for the semester conversion process.

We have the following degree programs that we are converting:

B.A. in Political Science

7 minors: Campaigns & Elections; Comparative Politics; Judicial Politics; Political Decision-Making; Political Science; Political Theory; World Politics

Ph.D. in Political Science

M.A. in Political Science

The Department has had on-going review of all of our degree programs in the last few years, including a major revamping of our graduate program, instituting the 6 new focused minors, and then revising our B.A. program. These changes are all very recent, so much so that students enrolling in them have not yet completed their degrees. We are analyzing the effectiveness of some of these changes, but we need to wait for more data on most of them. In any case, the faculty in our several subfields met to discuss how to convert their programs to semesters, our Undergraduate Affairs Committee and Graduate Studies Committee both met to make recommendations about the conversion of our degree programs to semesters, and we considered their recommendations at a meeting of the entire faculty and voted on specifics.

I recommend approval of our conversion proposals.

Sincerely,

Herb Weisberg  
Professor and Chair

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Herbert Weisberg'. The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Herbert Weisberg  
Professor and Chair

## PROGRAM TEMPLATE: POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR

### I. GENERAL PROGRAM INFORMATION

1. **Program Name:** Political Science Major
2. **Degree Title:** Bachelor of Arts
3. **Academic Unit:** Department of Political Science
4. **Type of Program:** Undergraduate Bachelors degree
5. **Semester Conversion Designation:** Conversion to semesters will occur with *minimal changes to program goals and curricular requirements.*

### II. Rationale for proposed program changes:

The Political Science major was revised very recently, effective the 2008-09 academic year, so we have made minimal changes in the major for the semester conversion. We are changing all of our courses from 5 credits to 3 credits, and we are changing the required number of credits for a major from 50 to 33 credit hours.

Our recent major program reforms required students to take a pre-major course, increased breadth by requiring students to take at least one course in each of the four conventional Political Science fields (American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations, and Political Theory), and increased depth by requiring students to complete a focus area comprising four courses in one of those four fields. While these reforms are too new for a freshman admitted under them to have graduated, the initial feedback we have received from students has been favorable. But it would be appropriate to wait until they fully affect a graduating class before making further changes.

### III. List of Semester Courses in the program:

#### I. Pre-major courses (3 hours)

One of these courses must be completed prior to declaration of the major.

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| 1) Polit Sc 1100 – <i>Introduction to American Politics</i>    | (3 hours) |
| 2) Polit Sc 1200 – <i>Introduction to Comparative Politics</i> | (3 hours) |
| 3) Polit Sc 1300 – <i>Global Politics</i>                      | (3 hours) |
| 4) Polit Sc 2150 – <i>Voters and Elections</i>                 | (3 hours) |
| 5) Polit Sc 2300 – <i>American Foreign Policy</i>              | (3 hours) |
| 6) Polit Sc 2400 – <i>Introduction to Political Theory</i>     | (3 hours) |

#### II. Course-level Distribution

Students must take eight out of the eleven courses minimally required for the major at the 4000 level or higher.

#### III. Focus Requirement

Students must complete a four-course focus in one of the four fields in political science: American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations, and Political Theory.

#### IV. Field Distribution: Four Courses

Students must take a minimum of one course from each of four fields in political science: American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations, and Political Theory.

#### V. Remaining Courses

The remaining four courses for the major may be selected, within the course-level distribution limitations, at the student's discretion, and in consultation with the student's adviser. It is worth noting that four fields are required, and one of those courses will contribute to the focus requirement; this leaves four more to be taken.

Among the remaining courses, **Political Science 4551** [quarter course 485] may be used to complete the GE Data Analysis requirement as well as to apply to the major.

Courses for each field follow:

#### American Politics

Title	Number	Field	U/G
Voters & Elections	2150	American Politics	U
Contemp Issues Am Pol	2367	American Politics	U
Am Pol & Policy Making	3100	American Politics	U
Intro to the Policy Process	3115	American Politics	U
Survey Res in PS	3549	American Politics	U
Pol Manipulation	3905	American Politics	U
Pol Leadership	3912	American Politics	U
Am Pres	4110	American Politics	U
Bureaucracy & Pub Pol	4115	American Politics	U
US Congress	4120	American Politics	U
Am State Pol	4125	American Politics	U
Ohio Pol	4126	American Politics	U
Urban Govt	4127	American Politics	U
Law & Politics	4130	American Politics	U
Sup Court Dec Making	4132H	American Politics	U
Am Constitutional Law	4135	American Politics	U
Civil Rights & Liberties	4136	American Politics	U
Law & Society	4137	American Politics	U
Women & the Law	4138	American Politics	U
Gun Pol	4139	American Politics	U
Black Pol	4140	American Politics	U
Asian Am Pol	4145	American Politics	U
Am Pol Parties	4150	American Politics	U
Campaign Pol	4152	American Politics	U
Pub Opinion	4160	American Politics	U
Religion & Am Pol	4162	American Politics	U
Pol Part & Voting Behav	4164	American Politics	U
Mass Media & Am Pol	4165	American Politics	U
Gender & Politics	4170	American Politics	U
Women, Govt & PubPol	4175	American Politics	U
Pol DecMakg & Pub Pol	4190	American Politics	U
Internship	4191	American Politics	U

Policy Analysis	4192	American Politics	U
Ind Studies	4193	American Politics	U

### Comparative Politics

Title	Number	Field	U/G
Pol of Developing World	3220	Comparative Politics	U
Politics of Modern Democracies	4200	Comparative Politics	U
Politics of Eur Integration	4210	Comparative Politics	U
Southern European Politics	4212	Comparative Politics	U
Northern European Politics	4214	Comparative Politics	U
East European Politics	4216	Comparative Politics	U
Russian Politics	4218	Comparative Politics	U
European Political Development	4219	Comparative Politics	U
Democ in Muslim Maj Countries	4225H	Comparative Politics	U
Chinese Political System	4230	Comparative Politics	U
China: State & Society	4231	Comparative Politics	U
Contemp Pol S Asia	4232	Comparative Politics	U
Japanese Politics	4235	Comparative Politics	U
SE Asian Politics	4236	Comparative Politics	U
Latin American Politics	4240	Comparative Politics	U
Special Topics in LAM Pol	4241	Comparative Politics	U
Incomplete Democracies	4242	Comparative Politics	U
Domestic Pol of Internat Conflict	4249	Comparative Politics	U
New Religious Politics	4262	Comparative Politics	U
Canadian Political System	4270	Comparative Politics	U
State & Econ	4280	Comparative Politics	U
Poltics Inequality	4282	Comparative Politics	U
Comp Pol Welfare State	4285	Comparative Politics	U
Pol Problems Contemp World	4297.01	Comparative Politics	U
Gender & Democ in Contemp World	4297.02	Comparative Politics	U

### International Relations

Title	Number	Field	U/G
Am Foreign Policy	2300	International Relations	U
Identity Politics	3910	International Relations	U
Theories of IR	4300	International Relations	U
Security Policy	4310	International Relations	U
Int Sec & Causes War	4315	International Relations	U
Pol of Int Terrorism	4318	International Relations	U
Strat War&Peace	4320	International Relations	U
Russian For Policy	4326	International Relations	U
Pol in Middle East	4327	International Relations	U
Global Governance	4330	International Relations	U
United Nations System	4331	International Relations	U
Int Environmental Pol	4335	International Relations	U
[Pol Anal of] Int Econ Relations	4380	International Relations	U
Comp int Pol Economy	4381	International Relations	U
International Cooperation & Conflict	4397	International Relations	U

### Political Theory

Title	Number	Field	U/G
Intro Pol Th	2400	Political Theory	U
Pol Theories Democracy	3420	Political Theory	U
Pol Theories Freedom	3430	Political Theory	U



Pol Theories Justice	3440	Political Theory	U
Ethics in Pub Pol	3450	Political Theory	U
Ancient/Medieval Pol Th	4411	Political Theory	U
Early Modern Pol Thought	4412	Political Theory	U
Modern Pol Thought	4413	Political Theory	U
Topics in Contemp Pol Thought	4414	Political Theory	U
Am Pol Ideas	4460	Political Theory	U
Debating Democracy	4420H	Political Theory	U
Pol & Ethics	4450H	Political Theory	U

Other courses that count for major but may not apply toward field or focus requirements

<u>Title</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Field</u>	<u>U/G</u>
Group Studies	2194 - 2594	Variable	U
Study Domestic Inst	2496	Variable	U
Pol Sci Internship	3491	Variable	U
Techniques Pol Anal	4551	N/A	U
Research Methods in PS	4552	N/A	U
Topics	4891 - 4895	Variable	U
Honors Sem	5891 - 5895	Variable	U

## Semester Advising Sheet

### **Political Science major effective for students entering the university June 1, 2012 or after**

**[Students who entered the university before June 2012 should consult with the transition policies from quarters to semesters and with a political science adviser]**

Prior to declaring a major in Political Science, a student must have at least one course from Political Science 1100, 1200, 1300, 2150, 2300, and 2400.

Revised requirements for the undergraduate major in Political Science:

1. An undergraduate major in Political Science is a coherent program of courses amounting to a minimum of 33 hours of course work numbered at the 2000 level or higher.
2. (A) At least 24 of the 33 hours of course work must be numbered at the 4000 level or higher. These 24 hours do not include course work taken in other departments that are approved as part of the Political Science major program.  
(B) A minimum of 21 credit hours must be taken at The Ohio State University; this limits to twelve hours course work transferred from other universities; taken in other cities or countries through study at a foreign or domestic institution; or other Ohio-State sponsored, off-campus programs; and it ensures that more than half of a student's major is taken from Ohio State instructors. At least fifteen of these 21 credit hours must be numbered at the 4000 level or higher.
3. Major programs must include at least one course from each of four fields in Political Science. The fields are American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations, and Political Theory.
4. Major programs must include a four-course focus in a field, chosen from American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations, or Political Theory. An individualized focus may be created in consultation with an adviser or faculty member.
5. A grade of "C-" or better is necessary in order for a course to count as part of a major program. A student must earn a Cumulative Point-Hour Ratio of 2.0 or higher in all courses included on the major.
6. A maximum combined total of six credit hours in the major can be included from the following categories: independent study; internships; and undergraduate research courses.

7. As many as six credit hours of the 33 required for the major program may be courses with subject matter related to Political Science in other departments. There is no official list of acceptable courses; students should request prior approval from an adviser in the department before scheduling such courses as part of their major programs.

We note that the field distribution and focus requirements above account for seven out of eleven courses in the major. The remaining four courses for the major may be selected, within the course-level distribution limitations, at the student's discretion, and in consultation with the student's adviser.

#### Quarter-Based Advising Sheet

## THE MAJOR PROGRAM

A political science major must meet the basic course and credit hour requirements set down by the USAS for the Bachelor of Arts degree. (Information on the BA curriculum is available from USAS in Denney Hall and is also contained in Book 5 of the University Bulletin Series.)

### **EFFECTIVE FOR STUDENTS ENTERING THE UNIVERSITY AUTUMN 2008 OR AFTER**

Prior to declaring a major in Political Science, a student must have at least one course from Political Science 100, 101, 145, 201, 210, 211, and 245.

Revised requirements for the undergraduate major in Political Science:

1. An undergraduate major in Political Science is a coherent program of courses amounting to a minimum of 50 hours of course work numbered at the 200 level or higher.
2. (A) At least 35 of the 50 hours of course work must be numbered at the 400 level or higher. These 35 hours do not include course work taken in other departments that are approved as part of the Political Science major program. (B) A maximum of 20 hours of transfer credit can be used toward a major program in Political Science, insuring that more than half of a student's major earns Ohio State credit.

- (C) A minimum of 30 credit hours must be taken at The Ohio State University, limiting to twenty hours course work taken in other cities or countries through study at a foreign or domestic institution or other Ohio-State sponsored, off-campus programs, and ensuring that more than half of a student's major is taken from Ohio State instructors. At least twenty of the 30 credit hours must be numbered at the 400 level or higher.
3. Major programs must include at least one course from each of four fields in Political Science. The fields are American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations, and Political Theory.
  4. Major programs must include a four-course focus in a field, chosen from American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations, or Political Theory. An individualized focus may be created in consultation with an adviser or faculty member.
  5. A grade of "C-" or better is necessary in order for a course to count as part of a major program. A student must earn a Cumulative Point-Hour Ratio of 2.0 or higher in all courses included on the major.
  6. A maximum of ten credit hours in the major can be included from the following categories: independent study; internships; and undergraduate research courses.
  7. As many as ten credit hours of the 50 required for the major program may be courses with subject matter related to Political Science in other departments. There is no official list of acceptable courses; students should request prior approval from an adviser in the department before scheduling such courses as part of their major programs.

## IV. Transition Policy

### Note on the status quo ante

Before Autumn Quarter 2000 the Political science major consisted of 40 hours, with a distribution over three of four sub-fields and over levels; 25 hours had to be numbered 500 or higher, and of course none could be below 200.

In Autumn Quarter 2000, we revised the major to require 45 hours and increased the 500-level hours to 30; all other expectations remained the same.

In Autumn Quarter 2008, we added a “pre-major” course requirement; we expanded the sub-field distribution to all four of our sub-fields; we increased the number of hours to 50 with 35 hours at the 400-level or higher; and we added a four course focus area in one of the four sub-fields.

**On the pre-major course requirement:** Ohio’s Transfer Articulation Guide [TAG] for political science demands that a set of introductory courses be given credit as “major or pre-major courses.” When this legal demand was made, we had no pre-major requirement at all. Since we were revising our major anyway, we added the pre-major requirement in order to be able to transfer introductory courses appropriately. Without this designation, 100-level courses from anywhere would have been required by law to transfer to Ohio State as advanced political science credit [“Major courses” instead of “pre-major courses”]. Our TAG courses are, under quarter numbering, 100, 101, 145, and 210. We added our other 200-level courses to the pre-major list for simplicity’s sake, and every pre-major student is required to complete one of these courses before declaration of the major. If the student takes a 100-level course, then that course can also apply toward the GEC; if the student takes a 200-level course, then, upon declaration of the major, that course applies toward the fifty hours [ten courses]. So a student might have 50 or 55 hours of political science to come to graduation, but we have found no student to be confused about this, nor have we found any complaints among students. To the contrary, most of our students are trying to find ways to take more political science course work, and the pre-major requirement is of no consequence to them. On effect of the requirement is to put more students with interests in political science into our 200-level courses; but, since many of them have “EM” credit for 100-level courses, this is actually to the good for those students.

**Our approach to the major under semesters and the conversion:** our semester major requires eleven courses and treats the pre-major in the same way as before. The pre-major course will count for the major if it is at the 2000 level; or it does not count for the major if at the 1000 level. So with the 1000-level pre-major course, a student would have twelve courses, eleven of which actually apply to the major. We increased from ten [50 quarter hours at 5 per course] to eleven because maintaining ten courses would mean actually dropping back to 45 quarter hour equivalence. 33 semester hours is closer to 50 quarter hours than are 30 semester hours.

**Our transition policies to be published to students [below]:** our transition policies are written so as to require from each student no more than was required by the major in force when that student entered the University. There are only two pre-2000 students, both of whom will graduate before the transition and both of whom have completed their majors. Students who are governed by the 45-hour major will need nine courses; students who are governed by the current major will need ten courses [and may already have taken a 100-level pre-major course]. No student, under any circumstances, will be delayed in progress toward graduation on account of our transition to semesters. We plan to handle any unforeseen peculiarities individually through our advising staff; however, given our very clean process for these students, we expect few, if any, issues apart from explanations and clarifications.

### Transition policies

Under no circumstances will the Department of Political Science permit our transition to semesters to delay a student's progress toward completion of the major on account of changes under our control.

1. Students who entered the university before Autumn Quarter 2008 will complete nine courses to complete their majors; all distribution requirements regarding course level and field will remain the same, with five-quarter-hour courses replaced on a one-for-one basis with three-semester-hour courses.
2. Students who entered the university Autumn Quarter 2008 or after but before Summer Semester 2012 will complete ten courses to complete their majors; all distribution requirements regarding course level, field, and focus, will remain the same, with five-quarter-hour courses replaced on a one-for-one basis with three-semester-hour courses.

## **V. ASSESSMENT CONVERSION**

### **Description of how program's current quarter-based assessment practices will be modified.**

The program uses two mechanisms to assess performance within the major: (1) assigning grades to courses within the major and monitoring their trajectory (oversight provided by individual instructors, faculty advisor, and director of undergraduate studies); and (2) use of senior exit survey. Responses from the senior exit survey, which was only implemented in 2010, are used primarily to gauge student goals and satisfaction towards curriculum, departmental personnel, and learning outcomes. We also hope that the survey will become an effective means of tracking student placement. At this point, we foresee no major changes being made to our assessment tools.

**VI. CAA Reviewer's Aid and Expansion Check**

<b>Program requirements</b>	<b>Current credit hours (Quarter credit hours)</b>	<b>Result for 2/3rds current hours</b>	<b>New credit hours (Semester credit hours)</b>
<b>Premajor courses [only one course from the following is required as a pre-major course; as many as three 2000-level courses may count toward the major]</b> 1) Polit Sc 1100 2) Polit Sc 1200 3) Polit Sc 1300 4) Polit Sc 2150 5) Polit Sc 2300 6) Polit Sc 2400	5 5 5 5 5 5	3.3 3.3 3.3 3.3 3.3 3.3	3 3 3 3 3 3
<b>Four-course focus</b>	20	13.3	12
<b>Four-course field distribution [one course in each field not included in focus area]</b>	15	10	9
<b>Double counted courses [suggested, not required, because of overlap with GE data analysis]</b>  Polit Sc 4551	Data Analysis GE course		
<b>Remaining Courses [may include 4551 above]</b>	0-15	0-10	12
<b>Total Major Courses</b>  11 courses [possible 12 with 1000-level pre-major course*]; at least 8 at 4000 level or higher. May include 2000-level pre-major courses (Quarter major: 10 courses, possible 11 with 100-level pre-	45	30	33

major course*, with 7 at 400 level or higher)			
<b>Total required for program completion</b>	45 or 50*	30 to 33*	33 to 36*

\*If pre-major is at 100 or 1000 level, it cannot count toward major; hence the larger of the two numbers. If pre-major course is at 200 or 2000 level, then the smaller number pertains because the pre-major course can count toward the major.

**Rationale for credit hour change:** Not applicable.

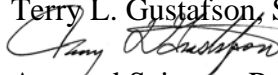




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April 27, 2011

To: W. Randy Smith, Vice Provost, Office of Academic Affairs  
From: Terry L. Gustafson, Special Assistant to the Executive Dean for Semester Conversion  
  
Re: Arts and Sciences Program Proposals from the Social and Behavioral Sciences Division

Arts and Sciences is pleased to submit the following programs from the Social and Behavioral Sciences Division to the Office of Academic Affairs for conversion from quarters to semesters. The programs have been approved by the faculty members and chair of the originating unit, and reviewed and approved by the divisional advisory panel, a subcommittee of the ASC Committee on Curriculum and Instruction (CCI), and the full CCI. The vote for approval of all programs at the full CCI was unanimous.

Program Name	Academic Plan Code	Conversion Designation	CCI Approval	Last Revision
Political Science BA	POLSCI-BA	Converted	4/18/2011	6/4/08
Sociology BA	SOCIOL-BA	Converted	3/6/2011	10/7/09
Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies BA	CRIMINO-BA	Converted	3/6/2011	5/21/08
Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies Minor	CRIMINO-MN	Converted	4/18/2011	10/7/09
Health and Society Minor	HLTHSOC-MN	Converted	4/18/2011	10/7/09
Inequality and Society Minor	SOCSTRA-MN	Converted	4/18/2011	10/7/09
Sociology Minor	SOCIOL-MN	Converted	4/18/2011	10/7/09

**Arts and Sciences General Education (GE) Program:** The GE program for untagged B.A. and B.S. degrees in Arts and Sciences was approved by the Council on Academic Affairs on May 26, 2010, after receiving approval from the Arts and Sciences Faculty Senate. All the programs presented here follow the approved GE program.

**College of Arts and Sciences Transition Policy:** The College of Arts and Sciences is committed to the principles outlined in the university's Pledge to Undergraduate Students. Each unit has a plan on how best to assist its majors and minors through the transition. And the Arts and Sciences Academic Advising Services will advise students on how to transition their GE program. Dual advising is the existing process used in Arts and Sciences and will continue under semesters.

Status: PENDING

**PROGRAM REQUEST**  
Political Science

Last Updated: Mumy, Gene Elwood  
04/13/2011

<b>Fiscal Unit/Academic Org</b>	Political Science - D0755
<b>Administering College/Academic Group</b>	Social And Behavioral Sciences
<b>Co-administering College/Academic Group</b>	Social And Behavioral Sciences
	Arts And Sciences
<b>Semester Conversion Designation</b>	Converted with minimal changes to program goals and/or curricular requirements (e.g., sub-plan/specialization name changes, changes in electives and/or prerequisites, minimal changes in overall structure of program, minimal or no changes in program goals or content)
<b>Current Program/Plan Name</b>	Political Science
<b>Proposed Program/Plan Name</b>	Political Science
<b>Program/Plan Code Abbreviation</b>	POLSCI-BA
<b>Current Degree Title</b>	Bachelor of Arts

**Credit Hour Explanation**

Program credit hour requirements		A) Number of credit hours in current program (Quarter credit hours)	B) Calculated result for 2/3rds of current (Semester credit hours)	C) Number of credit hours required for proposed program (Semester credit hours)	D) Change in credit hours
Total minimum credit hours required for completion of program		50	33.3	33	0.3
Required credit hours offered by the unit	Minimum	40	26.7	27	0.3
	Maximum	50	33.3	33	0.3
Required credit hours offered outside of the unit	Minimum	0	0.0	0	0.0
	Maximum	10	6.7	6	0.7
Required prerequisite credit hours not included above	Minimum	0	0.0	0	0.0
	Maximum	5	3.3	3	0.3

**Program Learning Goals**

Note: these are required for all undergraduate degree programs and majors now, and will be required for all graduate and professional degree programs in 2012. Nonetheless, all programs are encouraged to complete these now.

- Program Learning Goals**
- Students acquire basic knowledge across the four major fields of political science—American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations, and Political Theory.
  - Students gain deeper knowledge of the scholarly literature in one of the four major fields.
  - Students become familiar with debates about theories, research methods, and substantive issues.
  - Students develop analytic and critical thinking skills

**Assessment**

Assessment plan includes student learning goals, how those goals are evaluated, and how the information collected is used to improve student learning. An assessment plan is required for undergraduate majors and degrees. Graduate and professional degree programs are encouraged to complete this now, but will not be required to do so until 2012.

**Is this a degree program (undergraduate, graduate, or professional) or major proposal? Yes**

**Does the degree program or major have an assessment plan on file with the university Office of Academic Affairs? Yes**

**Summarize how the program's current quarter-based assessment practices will be modified, if necessary, to fit the semester calendar.**

We do not anticipate any changes to the current assessment plan. An accounting of our plan is included in second attachment requested below.

## Program Specializations/Sub-Plans

If you do not specify a program specialization/sub-plan it will be assumed you are submitting this program for all program specializations/sub-plans.

## Pre-Major

Does this Program have a Pre-Major? Yes

One of these courses must be completed prior to declaration of the major.

- 1) Polit Sc 1100 – Introduction to American Politics (3 hours)
- 2) Polit Sc 1200 – Introduction to Comparative Politics (3 hours)
- 3) Polit Sc 1300 – Global Politics (3 hours)
- 4) Polit Sc 2150 – Voters and Elections (3 hours)
- 5) Polit Sc 2300 – American Foreign Policy (3 hours)
- 6) Polit Sc 2400 – Introduction to Political Theory (3 hours)

## Attachments

- Chair's letter 2 to College.doc: Chair's letter to college  
*(Letter from Program-offering Unit. Owner: Deyoung, Wayne Michael)*
- Division Cover Letter for Political Science.doc: Division Letter  
*(Letter from the College to OAA. Owner: Mumy, Gene Elwood)*
- Subcommittee Chair Letter PolSci.docx: CCI Subcommittee Chair Letter  
*(Other Supporting Documentation. Owner: Vankeerbergen, Bernadette Chantal)*
- Alternate Curriculum Map 3.doc: Curriculum Map  
*(Curricular Map(s). Owner: Deyoung, Wayne Michael)*

## Comments

- Need to add level of course to the program goals in the curricular map *(by Mumy, Gene Elwood on 11/16/2010 09:45 AM)*

Status: PENDING

**PROGRAM REQUEST**  
Political Science

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**Workflow Information**

Status	User(s)	Date/Time	Step
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November 30, 2010

Professor Larry Krissek  
Chair, Arts and Sciences CCI  
Re: Political Science BA

Dear Professor Krissek:

At the November 24, 2010 meeting of the Mathematics and Social, Behavioral, and Natural Sciences CCI Subcommittee the semester conversion plan for the Political Science BA program, submitted by the Department of Political Science, was reviewed. In his letter of support, Dr. Weisberg indicated that the major's program has recently been revised, effective in 2008-09, and their semester conversion proposal for the BA program is a conversion with no significant changes in the structure. The committee felt the proposal was clear and comprehensive; we did however request that a few minor changes be made. These included:

1. We noted a text omission the PACER Program Request page. The Program Learning Goals presented are incomplete. The description ends with an abbreviated statement for goal 2 and learning goals 3 and 4 are not presented. We did note that the goals are presented in their complete form later in the document.
2. We asked that the curriculum map document indicate the levels (e.g. introductory or advanced, or other indicator) for the learning goals met by the individual courses.

Since these revisions were viewed as minor, the subcommittee unanimously approved the proposal and we have submitted it for the next step in the approval process.

Sincerely,

Charles J. Daniels, Ph.D.

Professor

Acting Subcommittee Chair for Nov. 24



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November 15, 2010

Professor Larry Krissek  
Chair, Arts and Sciences CCI

Dear Professor Krissek:

At the undergraduate level the Department of Political Science has one major program, the Bachelor of Arts Political Science major. In his cover letter, Department Chair Herb Weisberg mentions the revision of the major two years ago and notes that at this point there is no reason to change the major for the conversion to semesters. As a result the conversion is a straightforward adaption of the quarter version to an isomorphic semester version

The conversion plan was reviewed by me and the Social Sciences Disciplinary Advisory Panel (SS DAP) and we found it to be appropriate for semesters and submit them to you for CCI's consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gene E. Mummy".

Gene E. Mummy  
Associate Dean of Arts and Sciences/Social and Behavioral Sciences



October 11, 2010

Gene Mumy  
ASC/SBS

Dear Gene,

I am writing to convey the Political Science degree programs for the semester conversion process.

We have the following degree programs that we are converting:

B.A. in Political Science

7 minors: Campaigns & Elections; Comparative Politics; Judicial Politics; Political Decision-Making; Political Science; Political Theory; World Politics

Ph.D. in Political Science

M.A. in Political Science

The Department has had on-going review of all of our degree programs in the last few years, including a major revamping of our graduate program, instituting the 6 new focused minors, and then revising our B.A. program. These changes are all very recent, so much so that students enrolling in them have not yet completed their degrees. We are analyzing the effectiveness of some of these changes, but we need to wait for more data on most of them. In any case, the faculty in our several subfields met to discuss how to convert their programs to semesters, our Undergraduate Affairs Committee and Graduate Studies Committee both met to make recommendations about the conversion of our degree programs to semesters, and we considered their recommendations at a meeting of the entire faculty and voted on specifics.

I recommend approval of our conversion proposals.

Sincerely,

Herb Weisberg  
Professor and Chair

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Herbert Weisberg".

Herbert Weisberg  
Professor and Chair

## PROGRAM TEMPLATE: POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR

### I. GENERAL PROGRAM INFORMATION

1. **Program Name:** Political Science Major
2. **Degree Title:** Bachelor of Arts
3. **Academic Unit:** Department of Political Science
4. **Type of Program:** Undergraduate Bachelors degree
5. **Semester Conversion Designation:** Conversion to semesters will occur with *minimal changes to program goals and curricular requirements.*

### II. Rationale for proposed program changes:

The Political Science major was revised very recently, effective the 2008-09 academic year, so we have made minimal changes in the major for the semester conversion. We are changing all of our courses from 5 credits to 3 credits, and we are changing the required number of credits for a major from 50 to 33 credit hours.

Our recent major program reforms required students to take a pre-major course, increased breadth by requiring students to take at least one course in each of the four conventional Political Science fields (American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations, and Political Theory), and increased depth by requiring students to complete a focus area comprising four courses in one of those four fields. While these reforms are too new for a freshman admitted under them to have graduated, the initial feedback we have received from students has been favorable. But it would be appropriate to wait until they fully affect a graduating class before making further changes.

### III. List of Semester Courses in the program:

#### I. Pre-major courses (3 hours)

One of these courses must be completed prior to declaration of the major.

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|--|-----------|
| 1) Polit Sc 1100 – <i>Introduction to American Politics</i>    | (3 hours) |
| 2) Polit Sc 1200 – <i>Introduction to Comparative Politics</i> | (3 hours) |
| 3) Polit Sc 1300 – <i>Global Politics</i>                      | (3 hours) |
| 4) Polit Sc 2150 – <i>Voters and Elections</i>                 | (3 hours) |
| 5) Polit Sc 2300 – <i>American Foreign Policy</i>              | (3 hours) |
| 6) Polit Sc 2400 – <i>Introduction to Political Theory</i>     | (3 hours) |

#### II. Course-level Distribution

Students must take eight out of the eleven courses minimally required for the major at the 4000 level or higher.

#### III. Field Distribution: Four Courses



Students must take a minimum of one course from each of four fields in political science: American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations, and Political Theory.

#### IV. Focus Requirement

Students must complete a four-course focus in one of the four fields in political science: American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations, and Political Theory.

Courses for each field follow:

##### American Politics

Title	Number	Field	U/G
Voters & Elections	2150	American Politics	U
Contemp Issues Am Pol	2367	American Politics	U
Am Pol & Policy Making	3100	American Politics	U
Intro to the Policy Process	3115	American Politics	U
Survey Res in PS	3549	American Politics	U
Pol Manipulation	3905	American Politics	U
Pol Leadership	3912	American Politics	U
Am Pres	4110	American Politics	U
Bureaucracy & Pub Pol	4115	American Politics	U
US Congress	4120	American Politics	U
Am State Pol	4125	American Politics	U
Ohio Pol	4126	American Politics	U
Urban Govt	4127	American Politics	U
Law & Politics	4130	American Politics	U
Sup Court Dec Making	4132H	American Politics	U
Am Constitutional Law	4135	American Politics	U
Civil Rights & Liberties	4136	American Politics	U
Law & Society	4137	American Politics	U
Women & the Law	4138	American Politics	U
Gun Pol	4139	American Politics	U
Black Pol	4140	American Politics	U
Asian Am Pol	4145	American Politics	U
Am Pol Parties	4150	American Politics	U
Campaign Pol	4152	American Politics	U
Pub Opinion	4160	American Politics	U
Religion & Am Pol	4162	American Politics	U
Pol Part & Voting Behav	4164	American Politics	U
Mass Media & Am Pol	4165	American Politics	U
Gender & Politics	4170	American Politics	U
Women, Govt & PubPol	4175	American Politics	U
Pol DecMakg & Pub Pol	4190	American Politics	U
Internship	4191	American Politics	U
Policy Analysis	4192	American Politics	U
Ind Studies	4193	American Politics	U

##### Comparative Politics

Title	Number	Field	U/G
Pol of Developing World	3220	Comparative Politics	U
Politics of Modern Democracies	4200	Comparative Politics	U
Politics of Eur Integration	4210	Comparative Politics	U
Southern European Politics	4212	Comparative Politics	U
Northern European Politics	4214	Comparative Politics	U
East European Politics	4216	Comparative Politics	U

Russian Politics	4218	Comparative Politics	U
European Political Development	4219	Comparative Politics	U
Democ in Muslim Maj Countries	4225H	Comparative Politics	U
Chinese Political System	4230	Comparative Politics	U
China: State & Society	4231	Comparative Politics	U
Contemp Pol S Asia	4232	Comparative Politics	U
Japanese Politics	4235	Comparative Politics	U
SE Asian Politics	4236	Comparative Politics	U
Latin American Politics	4240	Comparative Politics	U
Special Topics in LAM Pol	4241	Comparative Politics	U
Incomplete Democracies	4242	Comparative Politics	U
Domestic Pol of Internat Conflict	4249	Comparative Politics	U
New Religious Politics	4262	Comparative Politics	U
Canadian Political System	4270	Comparative Politics	U
State & Econ	4280	Comparative Politics	U
Poltics Inequality	4282	Comparative Politics	U
Comp Pol Welfare State	4285	Comparative Politics	U
Pol Problems Contemp World	4297.01	Comparative Politics	U
Gender & Democ in Contemp World	4297.02	Comparative Politics	U

### International Relations

Title	Number	Field	U/G
Am Foreign Policy	2300	International Relations	U
Identity Politics	3910	International Relations	U
Theories of IR	4300	International Relations	U
Security Policy	4310	International Relations	U
Int Sec & Causes War	4315	International Relations	U
Pol of Int Terrorism	4318	International Relations	U
Strat War&Peace	4320	International Relations	U
Russian For Policy	4326	International Relations	U
Pol in Middle East	4327	International Relations	U
Global Governance	4330	International Relations	U
United Nations System	4331	International Relations	U
Int Environmental Pol	4335	International Relations	U
[Pol Anal of] Int Econ Relations	4380	International Relations	U
Comp int Pol Economy	4381	International Relations	U
International Cooperation & Conflict	4397	International Relations	U

### Political Theory

Title	Number	Field	U/G
Intro Pol Th	2400	Political Theory	U
Pol Theories Democracy	3420	Political Theory	U
Pol Theories Freedom	3430	Political Theory	U
Pol Theories Justice	3440	Political Theory	U
Ethics in Pub Pol	3450	Political Theory	U
Ancient/Medieval Pol Th	4411	Political Theory	U
Early Modern Pol Thought	4412	Political Theory	U
Modern Pol Thought	4413	Political Theory	U
Topics in Contemp Pol Thought	4414	Political Theory	U
Am Pol Ideas	4460	Political Theory	U
Debating Democracy	4420H	Political Theory	U
Pol & Ethics	4450H	Political Theory	U

Other courses that count for major but may not apply toward field or focus requirements

<u>Title</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Field</u>	<u>U/G</u>
Group Studies	2194 - 2594	Variable	U
Study Domestic Inst	2496	Variable	U
Pol Sci Internship	3491	Variable	U
Techniques Pol Anal	4551	N/A	U
Research Methods in PS	4552	N/A	U
Topics	4891 - 4895	Variable	U
Honors Sem	5891 - 5895	Variable	U

## Semester Advising Sheet

### **Political Science major effective for students entering the university June 1, 2012 or after**

**[Students who entered the university before June 2012 should consult with the transition policies from quarters to semesters and with a political science adviser]**

Prior to declaring a major in Political Science, a student must have at least one course from Political Science 1100, 1200, 1300, 2150, 2300, and 2400.

Revised requirements for the undergraduate major in Political Science:

1. An undergraduate major in Political Science is a coherent program of courses amounting to a minimum of 33 hours of course work numbered at the 2000 level or higher.
2. (A) At least 24 of the 33 hours of course work must be numbered at the 4000 level or higher. These 24 hours do not include course work taken in other departments that are approved as part of the Political Science major program.  
(B) A minimum of 21 credit hours must be taken at The Ohio State University; this limits to twelve hours course work transferred from other universities; taken in other cities or countries through study at a foreign or domestic institution; or other Ohio-State sponsored, off-campus programs; and it ensures that more than half of a student's major is taken from Ohio State instructors. At least fifteen of these 21 credit hours must be numbered at the 4000 level or higher.
3. Major programs must include at least one course from each of four fields in Political Science. The fields are American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations, and Political Theory.
4. Major programs must include a four-course focus in a field, chosen from American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations, or Political Theory. An individualized focus may be created in consultation with an adviser or faculty member.
5. A grade of "C-" or better is necessary in order for a course to count as part of a major program. A student must earn a Cumulative Point-Hour Ratio of 2.0 or higher in all courses included on the major.
6. A maximum combined total of six credit hours in the major can be included from the following categories: independent study; internships; and undergraduate research courses.

7. As many as six credit hours of the 33 required for the major program may be courses with subject matter related to Political Science in other departments. There is no official list of acceptable courses; students should request prior approval from an adviser in the department before scheduling such courses as part of their major programs.

Quarter-Based Advising Sheet

## THE MAJOR PROGRAM

A political science major must meet the basic course and credit hour requirements set down by the USAS for the Bachelor of Arts degree. (Information on the BA curriculum is available from USAS in Denney Hall and is also contained in Book 5 of the University Bulletin Series.)

### **EFFECTIVE FOR STUDENTS ENTERING THE UNIVERSITY AUTUMN 2008 OR AFTER**

Prior to declaring a major in Political Science, a student must have at least one course from Political Science 100, 101, 145, 201, 210, 211, and 245.

Revised requirements for the undergraduate major in Political Science:

1. An undergraduate major in Political Science is a coherent program of courses amounting to a minimum of 50 hours of course work numbered at the 200 level or higher.
2. (A) At least 35 of the 50 hours of course work must be numbered at the 400 level or higher. These 35 hours do not include course work taken in other departments that are approved as part of the Political Science major program. (B) A maximum of 20 hours of transfer credit can be used toward a major program in Political Science, insuring that more than half of a student's major earns Ohio State credit. (C) A minimum of 30 credit hours must be taken at The Ohio State University, limiting to twenty hours course work taken in other cities or countries through study at a foreign or domestic institution or other Ohio-State sponsored, off-

- campus programs, and ensuring that more than half of a student's major is taken from Ohio State instructors. At least twenty of the 30 credit hours must be numbered at the 400 level or higher.
3. Major programs must include at least one course from each of four fields in Political Science. The fields are American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations, and Political Theory.
  4. Major programs must include a four-course focus in a field, chosen from American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations, or Political Theory. An individualized focus may be created in consultation with an adviser or faculty member.
  5. A grade of "C-" or better is necessary in order for a course to count as part of a major program. A student must earn a Cumulative Point-Hour Ratio of 2.0 or higher in all courses included on the major.
  6. A maximum of ten credit hours in the major can be included from the following categories: independent study; internships; and undergraduate research courses.
  7. As many as ten credit hours of the 50 required for the major program may be courses with subject matter related to Political Science in other departments. There is no official list of acceptable courses; students should request prior approval from an adviser in the department before scheduling such courses as part of their major programs.

#### **IV. Transition Policy**

Students who entered the university before Autumn 2008 will complete nine courses to complete their majors; all distribution requirements regarding course level and field will remain the same, with five-quarter-hour courses replaced on a one-for-one basis with three-semester-hour courses.

Students who entered the university Autumn 2008 or after but before Summer 2012 will complete ten courses to complete their majors; all distribution requirements regarding course level, field, and focus, will remain the same, with five-quarter-hour courses replaced on a one-for-one basis with three-semester-hour courses.

#### **V. ASSESSMENT CONVERSION**

##### **Description of how program's current quarter-based assessment practices will be modified.**

The program uses two mechanisms to assess performance within the major: (1) assigning grades to courses within the major and monitoring their trajectory (oversight provided by individual instructors, faculty advisor, and director of undergraduate studies); and (2) use of senior exit survey. Responses from the senior exit survey, which was only implemented in 2010, are used primarily to gauge student goals and satisfaction towards curriculum, departmental personnel, and learning outcomes. We also hope that the survey will become an effective means of tracking student placement. At this point, we foresee no major changes being made to our assessment tools.

**VI. CAA Reviewer’s Aid and Expansion Check**

<b>Program requirements</b>	<b>Current credit hours (Quarter credit hours)</b>	<b>Result for 2/3rds current hours</b>	<b>New credit hours (Semester credit hours)</b>
<b>Premajor courses</b>			
1) Polit Sc 1100	5	3.3	3
2) Polit Sc 1200	5	3.3	3
3) Polit Sc 1300	5	3.3	3
4) Polit Sc 2150	5	3.3	3
5) Polit Sc 2300	5	3.3	3
6) Polit Sc 2400	5	3.3	3
	5	3.3	3
<b>Four-course field distribution</b>			
	20	13.2	12
<b>Four-course focus</b>			
	20	13.2	12
<b>Double counted courses</b>			
Polit Sc 4551	Data Analysis GE course		
<b>Total Major Courses</b>			
11 courses; at least 8 at 4000 level or higher. May include 2000-level pre-major courses (Quarter major: 10 courses with 7 at 400 level or higher)	45	29.7	33
<b>Total required for program completion</b>	45 or 50*	29.7 to 33*	33 to 36*

\*If pre-major is at 100 or 1000 level, it cannot count toward major; hence the larger of the two numbers. If pre-major course is at 200 or 2000 level, then the smaller number pertains because the pre-major course can count toward the major.

**Rationale for credit hour change:** Not applicable.



**Curriculum Map:** How and at what level do program courses facilitate student attainment of program learning goals?

### **Program Learning Goals:**

**Political science** is the study of public power: its mobilization, exercise, and transformation by governments, political parties, interest groups, and mass behavior. Political scientists examine the causes and effects of political power and institutions in decision-making and governance at various levels, from the local to the global. We employ both scientific and humanistic perspectives and a variety of methodological approaches to analyze political structures and processes in all regions of the world.

Majors in political science are expected to:

1. *Acquire basic knowledge* across the four major fields of political science—American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations, and Political Theory.

Students accomplish this goal by taking introductory and “pre-major” classes at the 1000 through 3000 level.

2. *Gain deeper knowledge* of the scholarly literature in one of the four major fields.

Students accomplish this goal primarily in courses at the 4000 and 5000 level, although 2000- and 3000-level courses may also contribute to this knowledge base.

3. *Become familiar with debates* about theories, research methods, and substantive issues, and learn to engage and assess contributions to the literature.

Students accomplish this goal primarily in courses at the 4000 and 5000 level, although 3000-level courses may also contribute to this knowledge base.

4. *Develop analytic and critical thinking skills* that will enable them to rigorously evaluate competing arguments and to appraise value-based claims.

Students accomplish this goal primarily in courses at the 4000 and 5000 level, although 1000-, 2000- and 3000-level courses may also contribute to this knowledge base.

Political science majors will acquire a knowledge foundation and an array of skills enabling them to pursue a wide variety of professional and leadership roles and to become responsible and well-informed

citizens. We prepare our students for post-graduate studies in numerous areas including public policy, international affairs, law, business, and political science. Our department’s challenging and supportive learning environment gives students the confidence to assume progressively greater initiative and independence through their undergraduate years and beyond.

The charts below provide graphic information showing the relationship of our primary undergraduate major requirements [the field distribution and focus area] and courses, both in general and individually, to our Program Learning Goals. First, our pre major courses are categorized according to a level index and the goals that they fulfill. Second, the “field distribution” is categorized by the goals it fulfills. Third, the “focus area” is categorized by the goals it fulfills. Third, courses are categorized generally by level and by goals fulfilled in each level. Finally, a list of all undergraduate courses, including number, abbreviated title, field [for cross reference to the field and focus requirements], and programs goals is attached.

Level Index A= Basic

B= Higher-level Introductory

C=Broad-based Advanced

D=Focused Advanced

**PROGRAM LEARNING GOALS**

Pre-Major Courses	Goal # <i>i</i>	Goal # <i>ii</i>	Goal # <i>iii</i>	Goal # <i>iv</i>
Polit Sc 1100 A	✓			✓
Polit Sc 1200	✓			✓
Polit Sc 1300	✓			✓

Polit Sc 2150 B	✓	✓		✓
Polit Sc 2300	✓	✓		✓
Polit Sc 2400	✓	✓		✓
<b>Field Distribution</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Focus Area</b>		✓	✓	✓
<b>Course levels</b>				
1000 A	✓			✓
2000 B	✓	✓		✓
3000 B	✓	✓	✓	✓
4000 C		✓	✓	✓
5000 D		✓	✓	✓

Semester #	Title	Field	Goal 1	Goal 2	Goal 3	Goal 4
<b>Level A</b>						
1100	Intro Am Pol	American Politics	√			√
1105	The Politics of Law	American Politics	√			√
1165	Intro to Pol	American Politics	√			√
1200	Intro Comp Pol	Comparative Politics	√			√
1300	Global Politics	International Relations	√			√
<b>Level B</b>						
2150	Voters & Elections	American Politics	√	√		√
2194	Group Studies	American Politics	√	√		√
2294	Group Studies	Comparative Politics	√	√		√
2300	Am Foreign Policy	International Relations	√	√		√
2367	Contemp Issues Am Pol	American Politics	√	√		√
2394	Group Studies	International Relations	√	√		√
2400	Intro Pol Th	Political Theory	√	√		√
2494	Group Studies	Political Theory	√	√		√
2496	Study Domestic Inst	Variable	√	√		√
2594	Group Studies	Public Policy	√	√		√
3100	Am Pol & Policy Making	American Politics	√	√	√	√
3115	Intro to the Policy Process	American Politics	√	√	√	√
3220	Pol of Developing World	Comparative Politics	√	√	√	√
3420	Pol Theories Democracy	Political Theory	√	√	√	√
3430	Pol Theories Freedom	Political Theory	√	√	√	√
3440	Pol Theories Justice	Political Theory	√	√	√	√
3450	Ethics and Pub Pol	Political Theory	√	√	√	√
3491	Pol Sci Internship	Variable	√	√	√	√
3549	Survey Res in PS	Political Theory	√	√	√	√
3905	Pol Manipulation - Minozzi	American Politics	√	√	√	√
3910	Identity Politics	International Relations	√	√	√	√
3912	Pol Leadership	American Politics	√	√	√	√
<b>Level C</b>						
4110	Am Pres	American Politics		√	√	√
4115	Bureaucracy & Pub Pol	American Politics		√	√	√
4120	US Congress	American Politics		√	√	√
4125	Am State Pol	American Politics		√	√	√
4126	Ohio Pol	American Politics		√	√	√
4127	City Politics	American Politics		√	√	√
4130	Law & Politics	American Politics		√	√	√
4132H	Sup Court Dec Making	American Politics		√	√	√
4135	Am Constitutional Law	American Politics		√	√	√
4136	Civil Liberties	American Politics		√	√	√
4137	Politics of Legal Decision Making	American Politics		√	√	√
4138	Women & the Law	American Politics		√	√	√
4139	Gun Pol	American Politics		√	√	√
4140	Black Pol	American Politics		√	√	√
4145	Asian Am Pol	American Politics		√	√	√
4150	Am Pol Parties	American Politics		√	√	√
4152	Campaign Pol	American Politics		√	√	√
4160	Pub Opinion	American Politics		√	√	√
4162	Religion & Am Pol	American Politics		√	√	√
4164	Pol Part & Voting Behav	American Politics		√	√	√
4165	Mass Media & Am Pol	American Politics		√	√	√
4170	Gender & Politics	American Politics		√	√	√
4175	Women, Govt & PubPol	American Politics		√	√	√
4190	Pol DecMakg & Pub Pol	American Politics		√	√	√
4191	Internship	American Politics		√	√	√

4192	Policy Analysis	American Politics	✓	✓	✓
4193	Ind Studies	American Politics	✓	✓	✓
4200	Politics of Modern Democracies	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4210	Politics of Eur Integration	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4212	Southern European Politics	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4214	Northern European Politics	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4216	East European Politics	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4218	Russian Politics	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4219	European Political Development	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4225H	Democ in Muslim Maj Countries	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4230	Chinese Political System	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4231	China: State & Society	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4232	Contemp Pol S Asia	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4235	Japanese Politics	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4236	SE Asian Politics	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4240	Latin American Politics	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4241	Special Topics in LAm Pol	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4242	Incomplete Democracies	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4249	Domestic Pol of Internat Conflict	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4262	New Religious Politics	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4270	Canadian Political System	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4280	State & Econ	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4282	Poltics Inequality	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4285	Comp Pol Welfare State	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4300	Theories of IR	International Relations	✓	✓	✓
4310	Security Policy	International Relations	✓	✓	✓
4315	Int Sec & Causes War	International Relations	✓	✓	✓
4318	Pol of Int Terrorism	International Relations	✓	✓	✓
4320	Strat War&Peace	International Relations	✓	✓	✓
4326	Russian For Policy	International Relations	✓	✓	✓
4327	Pol in Middle East	International Relations	✓	✓	✓
4330	Global Governance	International Relations	✓	✓	✓
4331	United Nations System	International Relations	✓	✓	✓
4335	Int Environmental Pol	International Relations	✓	✓	✓
4380	[Pol Anal of] Int Econ Relations	International Relations	✓	✓	✓
4381	Comp Int Pol Economy	International Relations	✓	✓	✓
4411	Ancient/Medieval Pol Th	Political Theory	✓	✓	✓
4412	Early Modern Pol Thought	Political Theory	✓	✓	✓
4413	Modern Pol Thought	Political Theory	✓	✓	✓
4414	Topics in Contemp Pol Thought	Political Theory	✓	✓	✓
4420H	Debating Democracy	Political Theory	✓	✓	✓
4450H	Pol & Ethics	Political Theory	✓	✓	✓
4460	Am Pol Ideas	Political Theory	✓	✓	✓
4551	Techniques Pol Anal	Political Theory	✓	✓	✓
4552	Research Methods in PS	Political Theory	✓	✓	✓
4597.01	International Cooperation & Conflict	International Relations	✓	✓	✓
4597.02	Pol Problems Contemp World	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4597.03	Gender & Democ in Contemp World	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4891	Topics	American Politics	✓	✓	✓
4892	Topics	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
4893	Topics	International Relations	✓	✓	✓
4894	Topics	Political Theory	✓	✓	✓
4895	Topics	Public Policy	✓	✓	✓
4910	Business-Government Relations	American Politics	✓	✓	✓
4940	Pol of Immigration	Comparative Politics	✓	✓	✓
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Level D					
4998	Undergraduate Research	variable	✓	✓	✓

4999H	Honors Research	Variable	√	√	√
5124	Urban Politics	American Politics	√	√	√
5140	Ethnic Pol in Am Cities	American Politics	√	√	√
5411	Ancient/Medieval Pol Th	Political Theory	√	√	√
5412	Early Modern Pol Thought	Political Theory	√	√	√
5413	Modern Pol Thought	Political Theory	√	√	√
5414	Topics in Contemp Pol Thought	Political Theory	√	√	√
5891H	Honors Sem	American Politics	√	√	√
5892H	Honors Sem	Comparative Politics	√	√	√
5893H	Honors Sem	International Relations	√	√	√
5894H	Honors Sem	Political Theory	√	√	√
5895H	Honors Sem	Public Policy	√	√	√