

Political Science - Indian Affairs Administration Emphasis, B.A.

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Program Description

Political science enjoys a central position among the social sciences. Aristotle characterized politics as the “queen of the sciences.” It is a broad discipline that encompasses philosophical, historical and analytical studies of governments, politics and policies. Political science students learn not only the concepts, theories and methods associated with the discipline, but also gain the cognitive and presentational skills required of tomorrow’s public and private leaders. At its core, politics is about building and maintaining communities at the local, state, national and international levels that enable citizens to live enriching and fulfilling lives. Political science students develop not only an understanding of those communities, but also the ability to influence them.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Political Science Requirements		120 Credits
Complete the requirements		90
Emphasis Requirements		
Complete 18 credits from the following courses:		18
AIST 1800G	Introduction to American Indian Studies (3)	
AIST 3360	American Indian Education Policy (3)	
AIST 3590	American Indian Law (3)	
AIST 3600	American Indian Policy and Tribal Government (3)	
AIST 4600	Contemporary American Indian Political and Social Issues (3)	
AIST 4900R	Special Topics in American Indian Studies (3)	
CNST 4795	Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (3)	
POLS 3030	State and Local Government (3)	
POLS 3320	Nonprofits and The Public Sector (3)	
POLS 3350	Health Politics and Policy (3)	
POLS 3480	Race in Politics (3)	
Complete any 12 elective credits (at least 4 credits must be upper division, and at least 3 credits must be a POLS Writing Enriched course)		12

Core Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Total Credit Hours		90
General Education Requirements		31 Credits
ENGL 1010 or ENGL 1005	Introduction to Academic Writing Literacies and Composition Across Contexts	3
ENGL 2010	Intermediate Academic Writing	3
Complete one of the following:		3
MAT 1030	Quantitative Reasoning (3) (recommended)	
MAT 1035	Quantitative Reasoning with Integrated Algebra (6) (recommended)	
STAT 1040	Introduction to Statistics (3)	
STAT 1045	Introduction to Statistics with Algebra (5)	
MATH 1050	College Algebra (4)	
MATH 1055	College Algebra with Preliminaries (5)	
MATH 1090	College Algebra for Business (3)	
Complete one of the following:		3

HIST 1700	American History (3)	
HIST 2700 & HIST 2710	US History to 1877 and US History since 1877 (6)	
HIST 1740	US Economic History (3)	
POLS 1000	American Heritage (3)	
Distribution Courses:		
Biology		3
Physical Science		3
Personal, Professional, and Civic Growth		3
Humanities (fulfilled by completing any foreign language 2020G/2020)		4
Fine Arts		3
Social/Behavioral Science		3
Discipline Core Requirements		18 Credits
POLS 1100	American National Government	3
POLS 2100	Introduction to International Relations	3
POLS 2200	Introduction to Comparative Politics	3
POLS 2300	Introduction to Political Theory	3
POLS 3000	Political Analysis	3
POLS 4990 or POLS 4800R or PJST 4900	Senior Seminar (3) Internship Peace and Justice Studies Capstone	3
Elective Requirements		41 Credits
Foreign Language Requirement: Complete 1010,1020, 2010, and 2020G (one language)		12
Any courses numbered 1000 or higher. (9 credit hours must be upper division (3000-4000 level courses))		29

Graduation Requirements

1. Completion of a minimum of 120 or more semester credits, 40 credits must be upper-division.
2. Overall grade point average of 2.0 (C) or above, with no POLS course grade lower than a C-.
3. Residency hours: minimum of 30 credit hours through course attendance at UVU, with at least 10 hours earned in the last 45 hours.
4. Completion of GE and specified departmental requirements.
5. Completion of 16 credit hours of coursework from one language to include 1010, 1020, 2010, and 2020G/2020 levels or transferred equivalents.
6. Successful completion of at least one Global/Intercultural course.
7. Successful completion of at least two Writing Enriched courses.

Graduation Plan

This graduation plan is a sample plan and is intended to be a guide. Your specific plan may differ based on your Math and English placement and/or transfer credits applied. You are encouraged to meet with an advisor and set up an individualized graduation plan in Wolverine Track (<http://www.uvu.edu/wolverinetrack/>).

First Year		Credit Hours
Semester 1		
ENGL 1010 or ENGL 1005	Introduction to Academic Writing or Literacies and Composition Across Contexts	3
American Institutions		3
Social / Behavioral Sciences		3
Fine Arts		3
Lower-Div. Elective		3
Credit Hours		15
Semester 2		
ENGL 2010	Intermediate Academic Writing	3
MAT 1030	Quantitative Reasoning	3
Lower-Div. Elective		3
Lower-Div. Elective		2

POLS 1100	American National Government	3
Credit Hours		14
Second Year		
Semester 3		
AIST 1800G	Introduction to American Indian Studies	3
Biological Science		3
Physical Science		3
POLS 2100	Introduction to International Relations	3
POLS 2300	Introduction to Political Theory	3
Credit Hours		15
Semester 4		
POLS 2200	Introduction to Comparative Politics	3
Personal, Professional, and Civic Growth		3
Lower-Div. Elective		3
Lower-Div. Elective		3
Lower-Div. Elective		3
Credit Hours		15
Third Year		
Semester 5		
Language 1010		4
Lower-Div. Elective		3
Upper-Div. Elective		3
POLS 3000	Political Analysis	3
Upper-Div. Elective		3
Credit Hours		16
Semester 6		
Language 1020		4
AIST 3600	American Indian Policy and Tribal Government	3
Upper-Div. Elective		3
Upper-Div. Elective		3
POLS Concentration		3
Credit Hours		16
Fourth Year		
Semester 7		
Language 2010		4
POLS Concentration		3
Upper-Div. Elective		3
Upper-Div. Elective		3
AIST 3590	American Indian Law	3
Credit Hours		16
Semester 8		
Language 2020G / 2020		4
POLS Concentration		3
Upper-Div. Elective		3
POLS 4800R or POLS 4990 or PJST 4900	Internship or Senior Seminar or Peace and Justice Studies Capstone	3
Credit Hours		13
Total Credit Hours		120

Program Learning Outcomes

1. Interpret principles of politics and government, including political values, institutions, and processes of various times and places
2. Apply the major concepts, theories, and methods of political analysis to support arguments and opinions
3. Demonstrate analytical and critical thinking by systematically applying sound logic and valid evidence to political analysis
4. Communicate key arguments and results of political analyses effectively in writing and oral presentation
5. Acquire civic knowledge to be able to participate as civically engaged members of society

Managers, all other

- Total Positions 1,282,500
- Field Growth 5.7%

- Median Salary\$133,560
- Average Openings105.8

Compliance officers

- Total Positions403,900
- Field Growth5.4%
- Median Salary\$75,670
- Average Openings34.4

Political scientists

- Total Positions6,200
- Field Growth2.6%
- Median Salary\$132,350
- Average Openings0.5

Social science research assistants

- Total Positions37,500
- Field Growth6.3%
- Median Salary\$56,400
- Average Openings5.0

Political science teachers, postsecondary

- Total Positions21,700
- Field Growth3.3%
- Median Salary\$93,810
- Average Openings1.7

Secondary school teachers, except special and career/technical education

- Total Positions1,071,400
- Field Growth-0.6%
- Median Salary\$65,220
- Average Openings64.0