

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

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       |
|---|--|--------------------|
| <b>Political Science Requirements</b>   |  | <b>120 Credits</b> |
| Complete the requirements   |  | 90                 |
| Emphasis Requirements   |  |                    |
| Complete 18 credits from the following courses:   |  | 18                 |
| AIST 180G   | Introduction to American Indian Studies SS GI (3)                        |                    |
| AIST 3360   | American Indian Education Policy (3)                                     |                    |
| AIST 3590   | American Indian Law (3)  |                    |
| AIST 3600   | American Indian Policy and Tribal Government (3)                         |                    |
| AIST 3850   | The Struggle for Self-determination American Indians 1891 to present (3) |                    |
| AIST 4600   | Contemporary American Indian Political and Social Issues (3)             |                    |
| AIST 490R   | 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      |
|---------------------------------------|--|-------------------|
| <b>Total Credit Hours</b>             |  | <b>90</b>         |
| <b>General Education Requirements</b> |  | <b>36 Credits</b> |
| ENGL 1010<br>or ENGH 1005             | Introduction to Academic Writing CC<br>Literacies and Composition Across Contexts CC | 3                 |
| ENGL 2010                             | Intermediate Academic Writing CC   | 3                 |
| Complete one of the following:        |  | 3                 |
| MAT 1030                              | Quantitative Reasoning QL (3) (recommended )   |                   |
| MAT 1035                              | Quantitative Reasoning with Integrated Algebra QL (6) (recommended)                  |                   |
| STAT 1040                             | Introduction to Statistics QL (3)  |                   |
| STAT 1045                             | Introduction to Statistics with Algebra QL (5)                                       |                   |
| MATH 1050                             | College Algebra QL (4)   |                   |
| MATH 1055                             | College Algebra with Preliminaries QL (5)  |                   |
| MATH 1090                             | College Algebra for Business QL (3)  |                   |
| Complete one of the following:        |  | 3                 |
| HIST 1700                             | American Civilization AS (3)   |                   |

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| HIST 2700<br>& HIST 2710   | US History to 1877 AS<br>and US History since 1877 AS (6)                       |                |
| HIST 1740  | US Economic History AS (3)  |                |
| POLS 1000  | American Heritage AS (3)  |                |
| Complete the following:  |   |                |
| PHIL 2050  | Ethics and Values IH  | 3              |
| HLTH 1100<br>or EXSC 1097  | Personal Health and Wellness TE<br>Fitness for Life TE                          | 2              |
| Distribution Courses:  |   |                |
| Biology  |   | 3              |
| Physical Science   |   | 3              |
| Additional Biology or Physical Science   |   | 3              |
| Humanities (fulfilled by completing any foreign language 202G/2020)                                    |   | 4              |
| Fine Arts  |   | 3              |
| Social/Behavioral Science  |   | 3              |
| <b>Discipline Core Requirements</b>  |   | <b>18</b>      |
|  |   | <b>Credits</b> |
| POLS 1100  | American National Government AS   | 3              |
| POLS 2100  | Introduction to International Relations SS                                      | 3              |
| POLS 2200  | Introduction to Comparative Politics SS   | 3              |
| POLS 230G  | Introduction to Political Theory GI   | 3              |
| POLS 3000  | Political Analysis  | 3              |
| POLS 4990<br>or POLS 480R<br>or PJST 4900  | Senior Seminar WE (3)<br>Internship WE<br>Peace and Justice Studies Capstone WE | 3              |
| <b>Elective Requirements</b>   |   | <b>36</b>      |
|  |   | <b>Credits</b> |
| Foreign Language Requirement: Complete 1010,1020, 2010, and 202G (one language)                        |   | 12             |
| Any courses numbered 1000 or higher. (9 credit hours must be upper division (3000-4000 level courses)) |   | 24             |

## 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 202G/2020 levels or transferred equivalents.
6. Successful completion of at least one Global/Intercultural course.

## 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

| Semester 1                   |   | Credit Hours |
|------------------------------|---|--------------|
| ENGL 1010<br>or ENGH 1005    | Introduction to Academic Writing CC<br>or Literacies and Composition Across Contexts CC | 3            |
| American Institutions        |   | 3            |
| Social / Behavioral Sciences |   | 3            |
| Fine Arts                    |   | 3            |
| Lower-Div. Elective          |   | 3            |
|                              | <b>Credit Hours</b>   | <b>15</b>    |
| Semester 2                   |   | Credit Hours |
| ENGL 2010                    | Intermediate Academic Writing CC  | 3            |
| MAT 1030                     | Quantitative Reasoning QL   | 3            |
| Lower-Div. Elective          |   | 3            |

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|-------------------------------|---|------------|
| HLTH 1100<br>or EXSC 1097     | Personal Health and Wellness TE<br>or Fitness for Life TE | 2          |
| POLS 1100                     | American National Government AS                           | 3          |
| <b>Credit Hours</b>           |   | <b>14</b>  |
| <b>Second Year</b>            |   |            |
| <b>Semester 3</b>             |   |            |
| PHIL 2050                     | Ethics and Values IH                                      | 3          |
| Biological Science            |   | 3          |
| Physical Science              |   | 3          |
| POLS 2100                     | Introduction to International Relations SS                | 3          |
| POLS 230G                     | Introduction to Political Theory GI                       | 3          |
| <b>Credit Hours</b>           |   | <b>15</b>  |
| <b>Semester 4</b>             |   |            |
| POLS 2200                     | Introduction to Comparative Politics SS                   | 3          |
| Biological / Physical Science |   | 3          |
| Lower-Div. Elective           |   | 3          |
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| <b>Credit Hours</b>           |   | <b>15</b>  |
| <b>Third Year</b>             |   |            |
| <b>Semester 5</b>             |   |            |
| Language 1010                 |   | 4          |
| POLS 3300                     | Introduction to Public Administration                     | 3          |
| AIST 180G                     | Introduction to American Indian Studies SS GI             | 3          |
| POLS 3000                     | Political Analysis  | 3          |
| Upper-Div. Elective           |   | 3          |
| <b>Credit Hours</b>           |   | <b>16</b>  |
| <b>Semester 6</b>             |   |            |
| Language 1020                 |   | 4          |
| POLS 3310                     | Introduction to Public Policy WE                          | 3          |
| AIST 3600                     | American Indian Policy and Tribal Government              | 3          |
| POLS Concentration            |   | 3          |
| POLS 3250                     | Introduction to Law and Politics                          | 3          |
| <b>Credit Hours</b>           |   | <b>16</b>  |
| <b>Fourth Year</b>            |   |            |
| <b>Semester 7</b>             |   |            |
| Language 2010                 |   | 4          |
| POLS Concentration            |   | 3          |
| POLS Concentration            |   | 3          |
| POLS Concentration            |   | 3          |
| Upper division elective       |   | 3          |
| <b>Credit Hours</b>           |   | <b>16</b>  |
| <b>Semester 8</b>             |   |            |
| Language 202G / 2020          |   | 4          |
| POLS Concentration            |   | 3          |
| Upper division elective       |   | 3          |
| POLS 480R<br>or POLS 4990     | Internship WE<br>or Senior Seminar WE                     | 3          |
| <b>Credit Hours</b>           |   | <b>13</b>  |
| <b>Total Credit Hours</b>     |   | <b>120</b> |

## Program Learning Outcomes

1. Demonstrate critical reading, analytical thinking, advanced writing, and oral presentation skills.
2. Demonstrate competency in identifying and comparing various types of political models, political theories, and academic literature.
3. Acquire civic knowledge and understand how it is important for civic engagement.