

Political Science, Minor

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.

Matriculation Requirements

1. Completion of POLS 1010 Introduction to Political Science SS or POLS 1100 American National Government AS
2. Admitted to a bachelor degree program at UVU.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Total Credit Hours		21
Discipline Core Requirements		21 Credits
Complete three of the following:		9
POLS 1020	Political Ideologies (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 3120	Political Parties (3)	
POLS 3300	Introduction to Public Administration (3)	
Complete two of the following:		6
POLS 3030	State and Local Government (3)	
POLS 3150	US Presidency (3)	
POLS 3200	US Congress (3)	
POLS 3250	Introduction to Law and Politics (3)	
CNST 4720	Foundations of American Constitutionalism (undefined)	
CNST 4790	US Constitution (undefined)	
Complete two of the following:		6
POLS 3000	Political Analysis (3)	
POLS 3100	Survey of International Terrorism (3)	
POLS 3180	Public Opinion and Political Behavior (3)	
POLS 3400	American Foreign Policy (3)	
POLS 3500	International Relations of the Middle East (3)	
AIST 3600	American Indian Policy and Tribal Government (undefined)	
POLS 3600	International Relations of East Asia WE (3)	
POLS 3610	International Organization WE (3)	
POLS 3680	International Political Economy (3)	
POLS 4500	International Conflict and Security (3)	
POLS 4610	International Law (3)	
POLS 480R	Internship WE (1-4)	

Graduation Requirements

1. Complete all political science courses with a grade of "C-" or better.

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		
POLS 2100	Introduction to International Relations SS	3
POLS 2200	Introduction to Comparative Politics SS	3
POLS 3300	Introduction to Public Administration	3
Credit Hours		9
Semester 2		
POLS 3150	US Presidency	3
POLS 3200	US Congress	3
Credit Hours		6
Second Year		
Semester 3		
POLS 3400	American Foreign Policy	3
POLS 3610	International Organization WE	3
Credit Hours		6
Total Credit Hours		21

Program Learning Outcomes