



BACHELOR of ARTS in POLITICAL SCIENCE (#686)

Department of Political Science
Potter College of Arts & Letters
Western Kentucky University

The suggested program of study shown below should be used in consultation with your advisor(s). Every student will finish with a unique plan of his/her own depending on the electives selected.

Success Markers

SAMPLE - 4 year plan

FIRST YEAR Visit The Learning Center for free tutoring Talk to your advisor about career goals and opportunities	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
	ENGL 100 Introduction to College Writing (F-W1)	3	World Language, if needed, or General Elective	3
	COMM 145 Fund of Public Speaking & Communication OR COMM 161 Business & Professional Speaking (F-OC)	3	PS Restricted Elective	3
	PS 110 – American National Government (E-SB)	3	HIST 101 World History I OR HIST 102 World History II (F-SB)	3
	Natural and Physical Sciences (E-NS, LS)	3-4	Natural and Physical Sciences (E-NS)	3
	UC 175 – University Experience	2	General Elective Course	3
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	14-15	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15

SECOND YEAR Join a student organization such as Student Government	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
	ENG 200 Introduction to Literature (F-AH)	3	General Elective	3
	Arts & Humanities (E-AH)	3	General Elective	3
	General Elective	3	PS Restricted Elective	3
	PS 250 – International Politics OR PS 260 – Introduction to Comparative Politics	3	General Elective	3
	MATH 109 General Mathematics OR MATH 116 College Algebra (F-QR)	3	Minor Course	3
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15

-World Language Proficiency: All students entering in Fall 2014 or later must demonstrate proficiency in a world language at the Novice High level before completing 60 credit hours. Novice high is the ability to communicate in writing and speaking on familiar topics in simple sentences. To meet this requirement, students may take college language courses or take a proficiency test. For more information go to www.wku.edu/modernlanguages/placement/.

THIRD YEAR	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
	<i>Visit Career Services</i> Build your resume with an internship! -Washington Center -Kentucky Legislature -Law Firm -Non-Profits	ENG 300 Writing in the Disciplines OR COMM 200 Comm Foundations (F-W2)	3	Connections Social and Cultural (K-SC)
PS Restricted Elective		3	Connections, Local to Global (K-LG)	3
PS Elective		3	General Elective	3
PS Elective		3	General Elective	3
Minor Course		3	Minor Course	3
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		15	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15

FOURTH YEAR	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
	<i>Apply for Graduation</i> -Consider pursuing a Masters of Public Administration <i>Celebrate</i>	PS Elective	3	PS 499 – Senior Seminar in Government
PS Elective		3	PS Elective	3
Minor Course		3	Minor Course	3
Connections, Systems (K-SY)		3	Minor Course	3
General Elective		3	Minor Course	3
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		15	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15

Total Credit Hours:120-121

* Denotes prerequisite courses before program admission

PLEASE NOTE: Prerequisites, Course Numbers, and Course Titles are subject to change.
Consult your advisor each semester.

For more Information:

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Course Descriptions: <http://www.wku.edu/undergraduatecatalog/>