Political Science Degree Requirements Checklist 2015-16 (POL)

Majors must complete a total of 45 semester hours in required and elective courses with a 2.0 GPA. Check your Degree Audit at https://dars.uc.edu/darswebstu3593/servlet/SignInServlet. For details about the major requirements, please see the POL curriculum guide: https://webapps.uc.edu/DegreePrograms/CurriculumGuideView.aspx?program=15BA-POL&CurriculumGuideID=18. Also check department handbook at: http://www.artsci.uc.edu/departments/polisci/undergrad.html

I. Required Courses

A: Introductory POL Courses (12 hours): POL 1010 (American Government), 1040 (Political Theory), 1060 (Comparative Politics), 1080 (International Relations).

B: Introductory STAT Courses (6 hours): Probability and Statistics (15 STAT 1034 and 1035)

C. Political Inquiry Course (3 hours): POL 3000 (recommended sophomore year or soon after completion of 15 STAT 1034 and 1035)

II. Areas of Emphasis- 24 semester hours, including at least one course from each of the four sub-fields below, as well as a capstone. Please note that the capstone requirement can be fulfilled in 3 different ways: (1) the student can take any 6000-level POL class; (2) the student can complete the senior thesis sequence (POL 5000 and 5001); (3) the student can take a 7000-level POL graduate seminar. The fulfillment of capstone requirement described in Section III below counts toward the total of 24 semester hours, as do any electives from Sections IV and V.


Political Theory - 2040, 2045, 3041, 3042, 3043, 3046, 4040*

Comparative Politics – 2063, 2064, 2065, 2069, 2071, 2072, 2074, 2076, 2077, 2078, 3009, 3031, 3037, 3060, 3061, 3062, 3063, 3069, 3076, 4060*, 5161/ 6061, 5164/ 6064, 5165/ 6065, 5168/ 6068, 5176/ 6076, 5177/ 6077 (5100/ 6000-level classes could also serve as capstones)

International Relations – 2080, 2081, 2082, 2083, 2084, 2085, 2086, 2087, 2088, 2089, 2090, 2097, 3032, 3033, 3037, 3080, 3081, 3082, 3083, 3084, 3085, 3086, 3087, 3089, 3090, 3091, 3093, 4041, 4080*, 5035C, 5180/ 6080, 5183/ 6083, 5184/ 6084, 5186/ 6086, 5189/ 6089, 5193/ 6093 (5000- and 6000-level classes could also serve as capstones)

III. Capstone Requirement

Any 5100/ 6000-level POL class; Senior Thesis 5000+5001* or 7000-level graduate seminar may also satisfy (see advisor). Fulfillment of capstone counts toward 24 hours under Section II above. A 6000-level POL class counts only once toward the 24-credit Areas of Emphasis requirement; the class can also satisfy a requirement in the respective sub-field (e.g., American Politics, Comparative Politics, or International Relations) and the capstone requirement at the same time. Students can complete multiple 6000-level classes; only one will serve as a capstone.

IV. Washington Center Internship (HNRS 3030): see program director when planning for

* Subject to department’s approval; please check in with Undergraduate Director or Achievement Coordinator for further details.
Washington Center, as up to 6 semester credits can be applied toward major requirements.

V. Special Courses: Honors Special Topics (e.g. HNRS 3090); POL Individual Work (4010, 4040, 4060, 4080); POL 4004, Internship Practicum 4090; Honors Individual Study (HNRD 3098-99). No more than 3 credit hours each of Individual Work or Internship Practicum, nor a total of more than 9 hours in all “special” course work listed in this section, will normally be applied toward major requirements.

BA/MA program in Political Science allows students who have elective hours in their senior year to begin taking graduate classes. Students able to complete two to three graduate courses in their senior year should be able to complete their MA degree in one additional year.

http://www.artsci.uc.edu/collegedepts/polisci/undergrad-major/ba_ma.aspx

Political Science minor 21 semester credits required: 9 credits, three introductory courses under I(A) above, and 12 credits, four electives from II above.

Security studies certificate 21 semester credits focus on Homeland Security and/or International Security

International human rights certificate 21 semester credits from twenty primary electives in four areas:
http://www.artsci.uc.edu/collegemain/programs/program_detail.aspx?ID=15CERT2-IHR For list of courses offered go to Interdisciplinary programs at https://webapps2.uc.edu/ScheduleofClasses/. Check DPA at https://dars.uc.edu/darswebstu3593/servlet/SignInServlet. Go to 15CERT2IHR