

Note to students: Please use this form if you declared your major before 01 July 2024.

The Political Science major prepares students for careers in law, government, public administration, teaching, non-profit services, journalism, and international organizations.

The fields of study are:

- American Politics
- Political Theory and Methods of Political Analysis
- Comparative and Area Studies
- International Politics
- Law and Politics
- Public Policy and Administration

REQUIREMENT FOR A MAJOR IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

39 credits total = **33** POL credits + **6** related credits

POL CREDITS

33 POL credits = **11** courses

9 required credits.

POL 166, American Political System

1. **166** _____

POL 245, Political Analysis and Interpretation

2. **245** _____

One Course from Political Theory Group chosen

3. _____

From: **POL 226, 227, 228, 229, 319, 321, or 322**

And **24** Additional credits:

Students may select any **8 POL** courses at the **200, 300,**
or **400** level courses in any field. Students should take **200**
level first. Students must take at least four courses at the **300**
or **400** level.

4. _____
5. _____
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7. _____
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9. _____
10. _____
11. _____

And **6** related credits = **2** courses

Select two from **ANT 211, ECO 166, ECO 167, PHI 169**
or **ENW 201** (or w/POL Dept. approval, **PHI 169, PHI 170 or PHI 230**)

1. _____
2. _____

Recommended internship opportunities:

In NYC: **POL 470, 471, or 365.**

In Albany (Spring), and Washington, D.C. (Summer) with stipends

Transfer students should consult with a department adviser regarding transfer credits.

DOUBLE MAJOR IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

33 POL credits, including **POL 166, POL 245**, and political theory course are required.
(**6** related credits not required).

MINORS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

15-18 credits, including **POL 166**. Please see Minor (green) sheet.

HONORS

Department Honors: Majors need cumulative **GPA of 3.2** and **GPA of 3.5** in Political Science,
and **POL 481** (Honors Tutorial).

Pi Sigma Alpha is the Political Science National Honor Society

Required: **18** credits in Political Science, with cumulative **GPA of 3.0** and **GPA of 3.2** POL
courses.