

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

I. UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS-CORE CURRICULUM			
	Required	Done	Remaining
COMMUNICATION (6 CORE HOURS)			
ENGL 1301/ Prior to Fall 2021 ENGL 1303 _____	3		
ENGL 1302/ Prior to Fall 2021 ENGL 1304 _____	3		
MATHEMATICS (3 CORE HOURS)			
MATH 1314/ Prior to Fall 2021 MATH 1310 _____	3		
CAO -MATH/REASONING (3 CORE HOURS) POLS 3312 or 3316			
_____	3		
LANGUAGE, PHILOSOPHY AND CULTURE (3 CORE HOURS)			
_____	3		
CREATIVE ARTS (3 CORE HOURS)			
_____	3		
LIFE AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES (6 CORE HOURS)			
_____	6		
SOCIAL SCIENCE (3 CORE HOURS)			
_____	3		
WRITING IN THE DISCIPLINES (3 CORE HOURS)			
_____	3		
AMERICAN HISTORY (6 CORE HOURS)			
HIST 1377 or 1376 _____	3		
HIST 1378 or 1379 _____	3		
GOVERNMENT/POLITICAL SCIENCE (6 CORE HOURS)			
GOVT 2306/ Prior to Fall 2021 POLS 1336 _____	3		
GOVT 2305/ Prior to Fall 2021 POLS 1337 _____	3		
TOTAL	42		
II. FORMAL SCIENCE/NATURAL SCIENCE REQUIREMENTS			
NATURAL SCIENCE (2 HOURS)			
_____	2		
FORMAL SCIENCE/MATH REASONING (6 HOURS)			
_____	6		
A total of 12 hours of Math/Math Reasoning is required for the BS degree. 6 hours must be MATH.	TOTAL	8	
III. COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS – Three Requirements			
1. LIBERAL ARTS/SOCIAL SCIENCES BLOCK (6 HOURS)			
_____	6		
2. SECOND OPTION (One of the following must be declared, in addition to the major) :			
Minor, Double Major, Double Degree, Honors Thesis, Teaching Certification			
For requirements, see an advisor in the department of the intended option.			
3. CLASS Diversity list (3 HOURS)			
_____	3		
TOTAL	15-39		
IV. DEPARTMENTAL REQUIREMENTS			
POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR (30 HOURS)			
3 HOURS Political Theory: POLS 3310*, POLS 3348*, POLS 3349* (CHOOSE 1)	3		
3 HOURS Methodology: - POLS 3312**, OR 3316** (CHOOSE 1)	3		
6 HOURS International Affairs: - POLS 3309, 3311, 3313, 3315, 3333, 3336 (CHOOSE 2)	6		
6 HOURS POLS (1000 - 4000 LEVEL) _____	6		
12 HOURS ADV. POLS (3000-4000 LEVEL) _____	12		
*Core: Writing in the Discipline **Core: Math/Reasoning	TOTAL	30	
V. ELECTIVES			
Number of hours remaining to bring the total number of hours to 120 and total advanced hours (3000-4000 level) to 36.	TOTAL		
TOTAL HOURS FOR DEGREE (MINIMUM 120)	120		

A MINIMUM OF 120 HOURS (INCLUDING 36 ADVANCED HOURS) MUST BE COMPLETED FOR THE DEGREE.

No more than 66 semester hours of lower division transfer hours may be applied toward a bachelor's degree. The last 30 semester hours to be applied toward a bachelor's degree must be completed, uninterrupted, at the University of Houston, main campus.

Government core classes [Govt 2306/POLS 1336 or GOVT 2305/POLS 1337] cannot be used to satisfy POLS 30 credit hour requirement

NOTES FOR POLS B.S. CHECKLIST

* Completion of a core curriculum is required for all Bachelor's degrees. COURSES APPROVED TO SATISFY THE CORE CURRICULUM ARE LISTED AT:

<http://publications.uh.edu/content.php?catoid=36&navoid=13119>

* POLS majors may satisfy Math/Reasoning core with POLS 3312 or POLS 3316, which will also count toward the POLS major requirements. However, note the course will count for a total of three credits towards the 120 needed for the degree.

* POLS majors may satisfy the Language, Philosophy and Culture core requirement with POLS 3340, 3342, or 4343, any of which will also count as an advanced elective in the major. However, note the course will only count for a total of three credits towards the 120 needed for the degree

* POLS majors may satisfy the Creative Arts requirement with POLS 2346, which will also count as a lower division elective in the major. However, note the course will only count for a total of three credits towards the 120 needed for the degree.

* POLS majors may satisfy the core curriculum requirement of three hours of Writing in the Disciplines with any of the Political Theory courses. Again, note that the course will only count for a total of three credits towards the 120 needed for the degree.

* Candidates for any Bachelor of Science degree must complete at least 12 semester hours (including core hours) in the formal sciences, i.e. mathematics, computer science, formal logic, or statistics, AT LEAST SIX SEMESTER HOURS OF WHICH MUST BE IN MATHEMATICS. Courses applied to this requirement must either be core approved mathematics or math/reasoning courses or have as prerequisites at least six hours of such courses.

*The College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences (CLASS) requires all majors to take 6 semester hours of courses from two different fields of study in CLASS. These courses must be:

- i. Outside the major field;
- ii. From any of the major, minors or programs within the College.
- iii. in addition to the core curriculum; and
- iv. in addition to the 2000 level courses used to satisfy the foreign language requirement for a Bachelor of Arts degree or to fulfill the requirement of math/reasoning for the BS.

* Please note the following:

- i. At least 24 of the 30 semester hours in political science must be advanced.
- ii. Students must complete at least 15 of the required 30 semester hours in political science in residence at the University of Houston.
- iii. Nine of the 15 resident hours must be advanced.
- iv. No more than six total semester hours of D in political science will be counted toward degree requirements in the major.
- v. No more than six semester hours of special problems courses/and or internships may be used to satisfy any major requirements in political science.
- vi. Government core classes [Govt 2306/POLS 1336 or GOVT 2305/POLS 1337] cannot be used to satisfy POLS 30 credit hour requirement

*See the current Undergraduate Catalog or an Academic Advisor for details.

Website can be found at: <https://uh.edu/class/political-science/>