



Pittsburg State University
College of Arts and Sciences Program Guide

Degree: Bachelor of Arts
 Major: Political Science
 Emphasis/Option:
 Minor (if required):

As of Fall 2017

Core (12 hours)

- POLS 101: U.S. Politics3
- POLS 103: Comparative Political Institutions3
- POLS 320: Introduction to Political Science3
- POLS 686: Senior Seminar in Political Science3

American Government (3 hours)

- POLS 516: Political Parties and Elections3
- or POLS 517: U.S. Congress3
- or POLS 604: The American Presidency3
- or POLS 609: Administrative Law3
- or POLS 616: Interest Groups and Social Movements3

International (3 hours)

- POLS 530: International Relations3
- or POLS 630: International Political Economy3

Political Philosophy (3 hours)

- POLS 450: Political Philosophy3
- or POLS 578: Democratic Theory and Public Opinion3

Regional Politics (3 hours)

- POLS 524: European Politics3
- or POLS 525: Middle Eastern Politics3
- or POLS 526: Latin American Politics3
- or POLS 527: African Politics3

Political Science electives (12 hours)

- POLS 301: State and Local Government and Politics3
- POLS 412: Law in Film and Literature3
- POLS 450: Political Philosophy3
- POLS 492: Directed Readings in Political Science1-3
- POLS 512: Environmental Politics3
- POLS 516: Political Parties and Elections3
- POLS 517: U.S. Congress3
- POLS 524: European Politics3
- POLS 525: Middle Eastern Politics3
- POLS 526: Latin American Politics3
- POLS 527: African Politics3
- POLS 530: International Relations3
- SOC 534: Political Sociology3
- JUST 538: Philosophy of Law3
- POLS 562: Law and Politics3
- POLS 571: Political Studies-Selected Topics (____)1-3
- POLS 578: Democratic Theory and Public Opinion3
- POLS 587: U.S. Foreign Policy3
- POLS 604: The American Presidency3
- POLS 609: Administrative Law3
- POLS 616: Interest Groups and Social Movements3
- POLS 630: International Political Economy3
- POLS 660: Political Science Internship (____)1-3

- POLS 661: Constitutional Law I3
- POLS 662: Constitutional Law II3
- POLS 680: War: The Politics of Violence3

Statistics Requirement (3-4 hours)

- MATH 143: Elementary Statistics3
- or SOSCI 388: Social Research Analysis4

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

(46-52 hrs.)

Basic Skills		12-13 hours
COMM 207	Speech Communication	3
ENGL 101	English Composition.....	3
ENGL 190	Honors English Composition	3
OR ENGL 299	Introduction to Research Writing	3
Mathematics (Select one)		
MATH 110	College Algebra with Review	5
MATH 113	College Algebra	3
MATH 126	Pre-Calculus	4
MATH 133	Quantitative Reasoning.....	3
MATH 143	Elementary Statistics.....	3
Sciences		8-9 hours
Natural Sciences (<i>Select one</i>)		
BIOL 111/112	General Biology and Laboratory	5
BIOL 113	Environmental Life Science	4
BIOL 211	Principles of Biology I.....	4
Physical Sciences (<i>Select one</i>)		
CHEM 105/106	Introductory Chemistry and Laboratory.....	4
CHEM 107/108	Chemistry for Life Sciences and Laboratory	4
PHYS 160/165	Physical Geology and Laboratory.....	4
PHYS 166/167	Meteorology and Laboratory.....	4
PHYS 171/172	Physical Science and Laboratory	4
PHYS 175/176	Descriptive Astronomy and Laboratory.....	4
PHYS 375/176	Solar System Astronomy and Laboratory	4
Social Studies		3 hours
SOC 100	Introduction to Sociology	3
WGS 200	Introduction to Women's Studies	3
Political Studies (Select one)		3 hours
POLS 101	U.S. Politics	3
POLS 103	Comparative Political Institutions.....	3
Producing and Consuming		5-6 hours
<i>(Select one from two of the following three categories)</i>		
Economy		
ECON 191	Issues in Today's Economy.....	3
FCS 230	Consumer Ed. and Personal Finance	3
Technology		
EET 247	Computer Programming for Electronic Sys.	3
GT 190	Introduction to Technological Systems	2
GT 350	Technology and Civilization.....	3
EDTH 330	Technology for the Classroom.....	3
TE 551	Integrated Technology for Educators.....	3
TM 350	Societal Influence of Technology.....	3
Business		
ACCTG 201	Financial Accounting	3
CIS 130	Computer Information Systems	3
MGT 101	Introduction to Business	3
MGT 105	Introduction to Entrepreneurship.....	3
Fine Arts and Aesthetic Studies (Select one)		2-3 hours
ART 155	Printmaking and Paper Arts.....	3
ART 178	Introduction to the Visual Arts.....	3
ART 188	The Designed World	3
ART 217	Crafts I.....	3
ART 222	Jewelry Design I.....	3
ART 233	Drawing I	3
ART 244	Ceramics I.....	3
ART 266	Sculpture I.....	3
ART 277	Painting I.....	3

ART 288	Introduction to Art History I.....	3
ART 289	Introduction to Art History II	3
ART 311	Art Education	3
ART 351	Printmaking, Papermaking, Bookarts and the Letterpress.....	3
ART 430	Automotive: Art and Design	3
COMM 105	Performance Appreciation.....	3
COMM 205	Performance Studies.....	3
COMM 295	Theatre History	3
ENGL 250	Introduction to Creative Writing	3
HHP 151	Dance Appreciation.....	3
MUSIC 120	Music Appreciation.....	3
MUSIC 121	Introduction to Music Literature	2

Cultural Studies (Select one)		3 hours
ANTH 101	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology.....	3
MLL 114	Chinese Language and Culture I	3
MLL 124	French Language and Culture I	3
MLL 154	Spanish Language and Culture I	3
MLL 184	Russian Language and Culture I	3
MLL 194	Korean Language and Culture I.....	3
GEOG 106	World Regional Geography	3
GEOG 300	Elements of Geography.....	3
GEOG 304	Human Geography.....	3
WGS 399	Global Women's Issues.....	3

Health and Well Being		4-6 hours
Psychological		
PSYCH 155	General Psychology	3
Physical (<i>Select one</i>)		
FCS 203	Nutrition and Health.	3
FCS 301	Nutrition	3
HHP 150	Lifetime Fitness Concepts.....	1
NURS 303	Introduction to Public Health.....	3

Human Heritage		6 hours
<i>(Select one from two of the following three categories)</i>		
History		
HIST 101	World History to 1500.....	3
HIST 102	World History from 1500.....	3
HIST 201	American History to 1865	3
HIST 202	American History from 1865.....	3
Literature		
ENGL 113	General Literature	3
ENGL 114	General Literature(Genre)	3
ENGL 116	General Literature(Theme).....	3
ENGL 120	Literature and Film	3
ENGL 315	Mythology	3
ENGL 320	Literature and Film	3
Philosophy		
PHIL 103	Introduction to Philosophy.	3
PHIL 105	Ethics.....	3
PHIL 112	Biomedical Ethics.....	3
PHIL 113	Business Ethics.....	3
PHIL 114	Environmental Ethics.....	3
PHIL 207	Critical Thinking	3
PHIL 208	Logic.....	3
PHIL 231	World Religions.....	3

Notes All Political Science majors (including those in the pre-law emphasis area) are required to take MATH 143 Elementary Statistics, 3 hours, or SOSCI 388 Social Research Analysis, 4 hours.

MATH 143 can be used as a General Education substitute for MATH 113 College Algebra.

NOTE: The information contained herein is intended to be used for the planning of a student's academic program and does not constitute a contract. While this guide was prepared with the latest information, courses, graduation requirements, and curricula are subject to change.

When a student attains 85 semester hours of credit (including current enrollment) the student must apply for a degree check in the Office of the Registrar (Degree Checking Section), Room 102 Russ Hall.

MINIMUM GENERAL REQUIREMENTS: The minimum requirements for graduation include 124 semester hours of which 60 hours must be from a four year university. In addition, 45 semester hours must be upper division and 30 hours in residence at PSU (including 24 of the last 30). Minimum GPA for non-education degree is 2.0 overall [2.0 in major], secondary education degree is 2.5 overall [2.75 in major], and early/late childhood/unified degree is 2.80 overall [3.0 in major]. A minimum GPA of 2.0 in any minor and in residence coursework is required. General Education and all degree requirements are provided in the online catalog. Refer to individual departments for specific requirements.