

BA IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

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Social Sciences & Interdisciplinary Studies

Academic Organization: (Department)

Political Science

Catalog Year Effective:

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Type of Program Proposal:

Major

Program Change Type:

Substantive

Title of the Program:

BA in Political Science

Designation: (degree terminology)

Bachelor of Arts

Briefly describe the program proposal (new or change) and provide a justification:

Allow students with a 3 or higher score on the AP American Government Exam to satisfy requirement for POLS 1, as it shows sufficient competence in this area.

Expand options in upper-division major required courses from POLS 110 or POLS 111 to POLS 110 or POLS 111 or POLS 112 (adding POLS 112 as an option to choose from in that category).

Add Introduction to Comparative Politics (POLS 140) as a requirement for the BA

Increase total units required from 39 to 42

Justification: Expanded options in the requirement in political theory (Political Thought courses POLS 110, 111 or 112) will allow students more flexibility in pursuing their interests and completing requirements in a timely fashion.

Comparative Politics is a primary subfield in the discipline of Political Science and a requirement in almost all undergraduate political science programs, as well as the major exposure undergraduates receive to the domestic political institutions and cultures of non-U.S. societies.

The expansion of unit requirement is to require the same number of electives for depth of the major; as one of the lowest unit majors on campus, Political Science will still be below average and will be able to continue the steady progression of students without delays, while recent hires were specifically made to expand our ability to offer POLS 140 in multiple sections on a regular basis.

Objectives of the degree program:

Provide a comprehensive education in the broad fields of Political Science and develop skills and knowledge that allow students to analyze and address politics and dynamics of governance.

University Learning Goals

Undergraduate Learning Goals:

Competence in the disciplines

Knowledge of human cultures and the physical and natural world

Integrative learning

Personal and social responsibility

Intellectual and practical skills

Will this program be required as part of a teaching credential program, a single subject, or multiple subject waiver program (e.g., Liberal Studies, Biology) or other school personnel preparation program (e.g., School of Nursing)?

No

Do these changes impact the Smart Planner roadmap?

Yes

Please attach the Smart Planner roadmap:

Roadmap POLS DRAFT.pdf

Briefly describe the change:

Students are encouraged to complete GOVT/POLS 140, Comparative Politics, in their junior year of work.

Catalog Description:

Units required for Major: 42

Total units required for BA: 120

Program Description

The Political Science major complements a student's liberal arts education with an emphasis on understanding the theoretical and practical aspects of government and politics. The department offers a BA in Political Science, a BA in Political Science-Journalism, and the minor in Political Science. The Political Science major is structured to provide students with a comprehensive background in the basic fields of political science, as well as to permit them a range of choice in completing the program. The Political Science Department offers several courses integral to interdisciplinary programs such as California Studies, Environmental Studies, Ethnic Studies, Peace and Conflict Resolution Studies, and Women's Studies.

The department emphasizes its expectation that students seek faculty advice when planning their program. Students may ask any faculty member's assistance initially. As specific interests are developed, students may wish to seek the advice of faculty sharing their interests.

Note: Although it is not a requirement of the major, the department **strongly recommends** that students take an introductory statistics course as part of their undergraduate work. A course in statistics may be used to satisfy the GE requirement in mathematics.

Admission Requirements: Course prerequisites and other criteria for admission of students to the degree major program, and for their continuation in it.

Minimum GPA Requirement

Students are required to maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA in the Major.

As defined by policy <http://www.csus.edu/umannual/acadaff/fsm00010.htm>, a change in units constitutes a substantive change to the program. If your changes constitute a substantive change, please refer back to the "Program Change Type" field above to ensure that "Substantive" is selected.

Program Requirements: (If new courses are being created as part of a new program, it will be useful to propose courses first.)

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Units
Required Lower Division Courses (3 Units)		
POLS 1	Essentials Of Government ^{1,2}	3
Required Upper Division Courses (18 Units)³		
POLS 100	Introduction to Research Methods in Political Science	3
POLS 110	Political Thought I	3
or POLS 111	Political Thought II	
or POLS 112	Current Political Thought	
POLS 120A	Constitutional Law	3
or POLS 120B	Constitutional Rights and Liberties	
POLS 130	International Politics	3
POLS 140	Comparative Politics	3
POLS 170	Public Policy Development ⁴	3
Electives (21 Units)		
Select 21 units ⁵		21
Total Units		42

¹ POLS 150 or a score of 3 or higher on the AP American Government Exam may be used in place of POLS 1 to satisfy the requirement.

² Course also satisfies General Education (GE)/Graduation Requirement.

³ The Department recommends students take no more than two of these required courses a semester.

⁴ POLS 170 should be taken in the final year of a student's undergraduate work.

⁵ 18 of the 21 elective units must be upper division even though all 21 required elective units may be satisfied with upper division courses. POLS 10 and POLS 35 may be taken to fulfill 3 lower division units of the elective requirement.

Select courses from the following Fields below. A seminar and/or internship is strongly recommended.

- Political Theory
- Public Law and Judicial Studies
- International and Comparative Politics
- American Governments, Politics and Policy

These courses **must** be selected in consultation with an advisor from the Political Science Department.

Notes:

- POLS 150 may not be counted as an elective toward the major, but may be used in place of POLS 1 or as its equivalent as a prerequisite;
- Students may take a maximum of 6 units of a POLS 195 (Internship) within the major, but may use no more than 3 of those units to complete the 36 units of required upper division work.
- Students should be aware that the Department offers a concentration in International Relations that is distinct from a field emphasis within the major. See complete International Relations Concentration description.

General Education Requirements ¹

Code	Title	Units
Area A: Basic Subjects (9 Units)		
A1	Oral Communication	3
A2	Written Communication	3
A3	Critical Thinking	3
Area B: Physical Universe and Its Life Forms (13 Units)		
B1	Physical Science	3
B2	Life Forms	3
B3	Lab (Note: Lab experience to be taken with one of the following: B1, B2 or B5)	1
B4	Math Concepts	3
B5	Additional Course (Any B to reach 12 units) - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements.	3
Area C: Arts and Humanities (12 Units)		
C1	Arts	3
C2	Humanities	3
C1/C2	Area C Course	3
C1/C2	Area C Course - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements.	3
Area D: The Individual and Society (9 Units)		
	Area D Course ²	0
	Area D Course	3
	Area D Course	3
	Area D Course - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements.	3
Area E: Understanding Personal Development (3 Units)		
	Area E Course	3
Total Units		46

¹ To help you complete your degree in a timely manner and not take more units than absolutely necessary, there are ways to use single courses to meet more than one requirement (overlap). For further information, please visit the General Education page (<http://catalog.csus.edu/colleges/academic-affairs/general-education/>).

Note: There is no way to list all possible overlaps so please consult with a professional advisor. The Academic Advising Center can be visited online (<http://www.csus.edu/acad/>), by phone (916) 278-1000, or email (advising@csus.edu).

² Required in Major; also satisfies GE.

Graduation Requirements ¹

Code	Title	Units
Graduation Requirements (required by CSU) (6 Units)		
	American Institutions: U.S. History	3
	American Institutions: U.S. Constitution & CA Government ²	0
	Writing Intensive (WI)	3
Graduation Requirements (required by Sacramento State) (12 Units)		
	English Composition II	3

Race and Ethnicity in American Society (RE)	3
Foreign Language Proficiency Requirement ³	6

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² Required in Major; also satisfies Graduation Requirement.

³ If not satisfied before entering Sacramento State, it may be satisfied in General Education Area C2 (Humanities). "C- or better required." The alternative methods for satisfying the Foreign Language Proficiency Requirement are described here: <https://www.csus.edu/wll/flgr/>

Fiscal Impact to Change an Existing Program

Indicate programmatic or fiscal impact which this change will have on other academic units' programs, and describe the consultation that has occurred with affected units:

No other programs will be affected

Provide a fiscal analysis of the proposed changes:

No new costs.

How will the above changes be accommodated within the department/College existing fiscal resources?

Current faculty will be offering regular sections of GOVT/POLS 140 as part of their expected teaching

Will the proposed changes require additional resources?

No

What additional space, equipment, operating expenses, library, computer, or media resources, clerical/technical support, or other resources will be needed?

None

Reviewer Comments:

212408496 (Wed, 10 Oct 2018 22:49:00 GMT):Corrected course list on behalf of author. As "or" options, GOVT 111 and GOVT 112 were entered incorrectly into the course list which caused a "Not Found" error to appear.

Jim Cox (jhcox) (Thu, 11 Oct 2018 21:40:11 GMT):Rollback: typos

Janett Torset (torsetj) (Mon, 15 Oct 2018 15:08:29 GMT):Rollback: Rolled back to correct Workflow error. Proposal skipped College level committee.

212408496 (Fri, 25 Jan 2019 17:47:51 GMT):Corrected "course not found errors" by switching GOVT subject code to correct POLS subject code.

212408496 (Wed, 27 Feb 2019 15:57:08 GMT):Approved on behalf of the Curriculum Subcommittee Chair, Kace Chalmers, after committee approval at the February 26, 2019 meeting.

Kathy Garcia (kathy.garcia) (Mon, 22 Apr 2019 20:25:58 GMT):Rollback: Comments from the Faculty Senate Executive Committee:1) The proposal lists POLS 112 as a new option in the Political Theory requirement. However, there is no "Political Theory" requirement listed in the proposal. In fact, there is no Political Theory requirement listed in the current catalog, so technically, it doesn't exist in terms of what students need to adhere to. The only requirements for a BA in POLS are the lower and upper division core courses and 21 units of electives. If the Department wishes to have additional requirements (e.g. a Political Theory requirement) they need to be listed in the catalog. 2) The current catalog shows that for the upper division core requirements either POLS 110 or 111 need to be taken, and either POL 120A or 120B need to be taken. The new proposal has omitted POLS 111 and POLS 120B as options for students to take but there is no justification for why they are being dropped. If this was an unintentional omission, then the courses should be simply added back to the proposal. If the omission was intentional, then a brief rationale should be included. 3) In the Notes section, it states that only 3 units of POLS 195 can count toward the 33 units of upper division coursework. However, with the additional of POLS 140, there are now 36 units of upper division coursework. My suggestion for a fix would be to simply have the sentence read: "Students may take a maximum of 6 units of a POLS 195 (Internship), but no more than 3 of those units may be applied to the major." In the version we were given for review (and there may have been updates already made to the online version?), The number of courses and units didn't seem to add up correctly. But there were other comments made to suggest that this might have been something to do with the version or the way the courses were listed, so it remained unclear. With respect to the added elective course, if they don't list electives in the catalog anyway, it doesn't seem like a program change. But if there is, in fact, a restricted list of approved electives (?), It should probably be included (as with Child Development a year or two ago). Otherwise something like "electives chosen in consultation with a major advisor" basically covers all bases and allows the faculty to switch what they're willing to accept from time to time as courses come and go.

212408496 (Fri, 17 May 2019 17:21:05 GMT):Rollback: Faculty Senate has rolled back this proposal for several reasons. Please see the email sent on May 17, 2019 sent to the associate Dean.

Marya Endriga (mendriga) (Wed, 11 Sep 2019 23:54:33 GMT):Rollback: Please see comments from Kathy Garcia, Senate Exec Committee. Once these changes are addressed, I will consult with the SSIS Curriculum Committee and approve.

Jim Cox (jhcox) (Tue, 17 Sep 2019 22:31:41 GMT):Rollback: Make edits

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