

POLITICAL SCIENCE B.A.

Bachelor of Arts - Political Science

College Humanities & Sciences

Degree Specific Credits: 37

Required Cumulative GPA: 2.0

Catalog Year: 2017-2018

Note: Students pursuing a general political science degree must take a minimum of 37 credits of political science, including one 300-400 level course in four of the five major fields.

- 21 of the 37 credits must be in upper-division courses.
- No more than 7 credits of PSCI 492 and PSCI 498 combined may count toward the 37 required credits.
- A maximum of 60 PSCI credits can count towards the Political Science Major. An internship is strongly recommended.

General Education Requirements

Information regarding these requirements can be found in the General Education Section (<http://catalog.umn.edu/academics/general-education-requirements>) of the catalog.

Summary

Required Lower Division Courses	12
Upper Division Writing	1
Required Upper Division Field Courses	12
Public Administration	
Political Theory	
Comparative Government	
International Relations	
American Politics	
Degree Electives	12
Total Hours	37

Required Lower Division Courses

Rule: Must complete all of the following courses:

PSCI 210S	Intro to American Government	3
PSCI 220S	Intro to Comparative Govt	3
PSCI 230X	Intro to International Rel	3
PSCI 250E	Intro to Political Theory	3
Total Hours		12

Minimum Required Grade: C-

Upper Division Writing

Rule: Must complete the following course

PSCI 400	Adv Writing in Pol Science	1
Total Hours		1

Minimum Required Grade: C-

Required Upper Division Field Courses

Rule: Must complete 1 upper division course in 4 of the 5 fields:

Minimum Required Grade: C-

12 Total Credits Required

Public Administration and Public Policy

Select 3 credits from the following: 3

PSCI 344	State and Local Government
PSCI 360	Exp Offering: Public Admin
PSCI 361	Public Administration
PSCI 365	Pub Policy Issues and Analysis
PSCI 448	Health Care Policy
PSCI 449	Environmental Health Policy
PSCI 461	Administrative Law
PSCI 462	Human Resource Management
PSCI 463	Development Administration
PSCI 466	Nonprofit Adm & Pub Svc
PSCI 467	Adv Nonprofit Adm
PSCI 468	Public Policy Cycle and the Climate
PSCI 469	Ethics and Public Policy

Total Hours 3

Minimum Required Grade: C-

Political Theory

Select 3 credits from the following: 3

PSCI 350	Exp Offering: Political Theory
PSCI 352	American Political Thought
PSCI 354	Contemp Issues in Pol Theory
PSCI 450	Exp Offering: Political Theory
PSCI 452	Utopianism and its Critics
PSCI 453	Modern Political Theory

Total Hours 3

Minimum Required Grade: C-

Comparative Government

Select 3 credits from the following: 3

PSCI 311	Rev & Reform Modern China
PSCI 320	Exp Offering: Comp Politics
PSCI 322	Politics of Europe
PSCI 324	Climate Policies: China & U.S.
PSCI 325	Politics of Latin America
PSCI 326	Politics of Africa
PSCI 327	Politics of Mexico
PSCI 328	Politics of China
PSCI 420	Exp Offering: Comp Politics
PSCI 381	State Formation
PSCI 443	Politics of Social Movements
PSCI 456	Chinese Polit & Soc Thought

PSCI 481	Origins of Democracy and Authoritarianism	
Total Hours		3

Minimum Required Grade: C-

International Relations

Select 3 credits from the following: 3

PSCI 330	Exp Offering: Intrnt Relations
PSCI 332	Global Environmental Pol.
PSCI 334	International Security
PSCI 335	American Foreign Policy
PSCI 336	European Union
PSCI 337	Model United Nations
PSCI 430	Exp Offering: Intrnt Relations
PSCI 431	Politics of Global Migration
PSCI 433	International Law & Org
PSCI 463	Development Administration
PSCI 482	Politics of the World Economy

Total Hours		3
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Minimum Required Grade: C-

American Politics

Select 3 credits from the following: 3

PSCI 340	Exp Offering: American Govt
PSCI 341	Political Parties and Election
PSCI 342	Media, Public Opinion, Polling
PSCI 344	State and Local Government
PSCI 345	American Political System
PSCI 348	US Multicultural Politics
PSCI 352	American Political Thought
PSCI 365	Pub Policy Issues and Analysis
PSCI 370	Courts and Judicial Politics
PSCI 440	Exp Offering: American Govt
PSCI 443	Politics of Social Movements
PSCI 444	Am Political Participation
PSCI 445	Political Psychology
PSCI 468	Public Policy Cycle and the Climate
PSCI 471	American Constitutional Law
PSCI 474	Civil Rights Seminar
NASX 475	Tribal Sovereignty

Total Hours		3
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Minimum Required Grade: C-

Degree Electives

Rule: Must complete 12 additional elective credits from PSCI courses numbered 300 and above

Note: PSCI courses may only count toward one category of requirements.

Minimum Required Grade: C-

12 Total Credits Required

Teaching Government Track

Individuals interested in teaching in K-12 schools must complete a degree in the content area they want to teach plus the teacher preparation program through the Department of Teaching and Learning. Individuals must complete the teaching major/teaching track within that degree program, which may contain different course requirements than the academic major since the sequence of courses is designed to meet state standards. Upon completion of the degree program with the teaching track and the secondary licensure program, one will be eligible for a standard Montana teaching license in this content area.

- Secondary Education Licensure Program (<http://www.coehs.umt.edu/departments/currinst/undergradprograms/seced/default.php>)
- Licensure Degree Requirements (<http://catalog.umt.edu/past-catalogs/2017-2018/colleges-schools-programs/education-human-sciences/teaching-learning/lic-secondary-licensure>)

To sign up for this option, you need to contact the Teaching and Learning Department. Do not fill out a major/minor form for graduation or the major/minor/concentration section of the major change form. Approvals for this option must come from the Teaching and Learning Department.

Tracks will not appear on your UM transcript, diploma, university lists, student data system, or university publication and are used for advising purposes only. You do not fill out a major change for a track.

Note: Students with a teaching major in political science must also complete a teaching major or minor in a second field. For the political science teaching major, students must be formally admitted to the Teacher Education Program and complete all of the professional education licensure requirements. See the Department of Teaching and Learning (<http://catalog.umt.edu/past-catalogs/2017-2018/colleges-schools-programs/education-human-sciences/teaching-learning>) in the College of Education and Human Sciences for more information. A major GPA of 2.75 is required to be eligible for student teaching.

PSCI courses may only count toward one category of requirements.

Upper Division Core

Rule: Must complete the following course:

EDU 497	Teaching and Assessing	4
Total Hours		4

Minimum Required Grade: C-