

AMERICAN POLITICS CONCENTRATION, POLITICAL SCIENCE (BA)

A concentration in American Politics focuses on American political institutions and behavior.

Course Requirements

Core Courses: 8 quarter hours

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
PSC 120	THE AMERICAN POLITICAL SYSTEM	4
Plus one other 100-level offering:		4
PSC 130	INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL THEORY	
PSC 140	INTRODUCTION TO INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS	
PSC 150	INTRODUCTION TO COMPARATIVE POLITICS	

Intermediate Courses: 20 quarter hours

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
Select three 200-level courses of the following:		12
PSC 211	POLITICAL PSYCHOLOGY	
PSC 212	LATINO POLITICS	
PSC 213	POLITICAL SOCIALIZATION	
PSC 216	AMERICAN POLITICAL CULTURE	
PSC 217	WOMEN AND POLITICS	
PSC 218	AFRICAN-AMERICAN POLITICS	
PSC 219	TOPICS IN POLITICAL CULTURE	
PSC 220	THE AMERICAN PRESIDENCY	
PSC 221	CONGRESS AND THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS	
PSC 222	POLITICAL PARTIES AND ELECTIONS	
PSC 223	URBAN POLITICS	
PSC 225	STATE POLITICS	
PSC 226	LATINO POLITICAL BEHAVIOR	
PSC 229	TOPICS IN AMERICAN POLITICS	
Select two additional 200-level courses from the following areas:		8
Political Thought (PSC 230 through PSC 239)		
International Relations (PSC 240 through PSC 249)		
Comparative Politics (PSC 250 through PSC 259)		

Advanced Courses: 16 quarter hours

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
Select two 300-level courses from the following:		8
PSC 310	POLITICAL CULTURE AND DEVELOPMENT	
PSC 312	LGBTQ POLITICS	
PSC 315	INTERNET, TECHNOLOGY, AND POLITICS	
PSC 316	RELIGION, NATIONALISM AND POLITICS	

PSC 319	ADVANCED TOPICS IN POLITICAL CULTURE
PSC 321	MASS MEDIA AND AMERICAN POLITICS
PSC 322	URBAN POLICYMAKING
PSC 323	CHICAGO GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS
PSC 324	INEQUALITY IN AMERICAN SOCIETY
PSC 326	POLITICAL IDEOLOGY AND ECONOMICS
PSC 327	PUBLIC OPINION
PSC 328	ADVANCED TOPICS IN AMERICAN POLITICS
PSC 329	ADVANCED TOPICS IN PUBLIC POLICY

Two Additional 300-Level Courses from the Following Areas

- Methodology (PSC 300 through PSC 309)
- Political Thought (PSC 330 through PSC 339)
- International Relations (PSC 340 through PSC 349)
- Comparative Politics (PSC 350 through PSC 359)
- Public Law (PSC 360 through PSC 369)
- Civic Engagement (PSC 380 through PSC 389)

PSC Electives: 12 quarter hours

- Three additional PSC courses at the 200 or 300 level

Open Electives

Open elective credits are required in order to meet the minimum graduation requirement of 192 hours. These courses are to be selected in consultation with the student's faculty adviser and may include courses in fields such as economics, history, English, sociology, etc. Students may choose to use their open electives as part of a minor or to complete a double major.