



MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of 48 credits in undergraduate political science courses are required. Students must complete:

- minimum of two 100-level courses*
- minimum of two 200-level courses*
- minimum of 32 upper division credits
 - 8 of the 32 upper-division credits must be completed in courses numbered 407, 410, or 412-499
 - 20 of the 32 upper-division credits must be completed in residence at UO
- minimum of one Political Theory course (4 credits). The UO Class Schedule will indicate courses that satisfy this requirement with a “t” footnote. A list of permanent courses that satisfy this requirement is available at polisic.uoregon.edu.

Courses used to satisfy major requirements must be taken for letter grades and passed with C- or better.

- the department will accept one course (up to 4 credits) that is graded as Pass/No Pass (P/N) towards major requirements
- courses with a grading option that is restricted to P/N or P* will be applied towards major requirements (e.g. UO PS 403, PS 404, PS 408, PS 411, and AP/IB credits that have been accepted by UO)
- credits earned in PS 409 Practicum will not be applied to the major

Up to 16 credits of the following courses may be applied towards major requirements:

- 401 (Research), 403 (Thesis), 405 (Reading), 408 (Workshop), 411 (Honors Prospectus)
- 8 of the 16 credits may be from PS 404 and OINT 488 (Internships) and must be earned at the UO or through UO programs abroad.

Students who declare and/or transfer with junior or higher standing (90+ credits) must contact the department at polisci@uoregon.edu to request an initial degree guide review within their first term of enrollment or declaration. *Majors who declared prior to Fall 2018 will satisfy 100 & 200 level requirements with ANY three lower division PS courses.

MINOR REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of 24 credits in undergraduate political science courses are required. Students must complete:

- 16 of the 24 credits must be upper-division
- Up to 6 credits of the following courses may be applied to the minor: 401 or 405
- Up to 8 credits may be transferred from another institution
- Courses used to satisfy minor requirements must be taken for letter grade and passed with a C- or better
- The following courses do not count towards the minor: 403, 404, 409, 411, and OINT 488. Enrollment in these courses is restricted to political science majors.



Career Paths for PS Majors

Students majoring in Political Science may opt to complete a Political Science Career Path. Each path will lead students through the program, from introductory to advanced courses and toward career goals, and has a set of related courses that satisfy major requirements. Students may be awarded a Career Paths Certificate of Completion, if they complete one gateway course and four upper-division courses within a Career Path. Find details at polisci.uoregon.edu/career-path.

Second Bachelor's Degree or Second Major

Students who want to earn a second bachelor's degree or a second or double major in political science must complete 48 credits in political science, as outlined above under [Major Requirements](#). Students who are considering a second bachelor's degree and have prior political science credits, should consult with the undergraduate advisor, as some prior political science credits may not be applicable to a second bachelor's degree.

Honors in Political Science

Junior and Senior standing Political Science majors with a major GPA of 3.7 and a cumulative UO GPA of 3.5 are eligible to participate in the department's Honors Program. The Honors Thesis is a year long research project based within any specific area of Political Science that interests the student. Find more information at polisci.uoregon.edu/undergraduates/honors-program.

Peer Advising

Peer Advisors are Poli Sci majors who offer a low-key venue to get most of your basic degree questions answered. The peer advising office is located in PLC 907. Peer advising is available during the academic year; drop-in office hours are posted on the door.

The Peer Advisors can also be reached by email at pspeers@uoregon.edu.

PS Majors List Serve and PS Website

PS Majors will be subscribed to our list serve "PSmajors". We will post information about:

- Department Administrative Deadlines and News
- Department Sponsored Events
- Events Featuring PS Faculty
- Graduation instructions
- Major requirement updates

Please visit our website at for lots of helpful information including the following:

- Upcoming Events, News, and Research information
- Department directory and Faculty Profiles
- Upcoming course offerings
- Department forms
- Commencement information and much more!