Political Science B.A. and B.S. PRE- FALL 2016

Requirements:

A. Foundation, 3 s.h.
   Complete the following:
   ___POLI:1100 Introduction to American Politics

B. Introductory Courses, 12 s.h.
   Choose four of the following
   ___POLI:1001 Introduction to Politics
   ___POLI:1002 Lawyers in the Amer. Political System
   ___POLI:1050 Big Ideas: Intro to Info and Society
   ___POLI:1200 Introduction to Political Behavior
   ___POLI:1300 Intro to Political Thought & Action
   ___POLI:1400 Introduction to Comparative Politics
   ___POLI:1401 Intro to the Politics Russia & Eurasia
   ___POLI:1403 Intro to Politics in the Muslim World
   ___POLI:1410 Intro to Asian International Relations
   ___POLI:1445 Introduction to Asian Politics: China
   ___POLI:1500 Introduction to International Relations
   ___POLI:1501 Intro to American Foreign Policy
   ___POLI:1600 Intro to Political Communication
   ___POLI:1601 Introduction to Social Media & Politics
   ___POLI:1700 Introduction to Political Analysis
   ___POLI:1800 Intro to Politics of Class and Inequality
   ___POLI:1900 Introduction to the Politics of Race
   ___POLI:1950 Introduction to the Politics of Religion

C. Advanced Coursework, 18 s.h.
   Typically six courses numbered 2000 and above

D. B.S. Only
   The 18 s.h. of advanced coursework must include
   ___POLI:3000 Understanding Political Research
   ___POLI:4701 Undergraduate Research Tutorial, OR
   an approved equivalent
   Choose one set of calculus and statistics
   Set 1:
   ___MATH:1380 Calculus & Matrix Algebra for Bus.
   ___STAT:4143 Intro to Statistical Methods
   ___STAT:6513 Intermediate Statistical Methods
   Set 2:
   ___MATH:1380 Calculus & Matrix Algebra for Bus.
   ___STAT:1030 Statistics for Business
   ___ECON: 2800 Statistics for Strategy Problems*
   Set 3:
   ___MATH:1850 Calculus I
   ___MATH:1860 Calculus II
   ___STAT:4143 Intro to Statistical Methods

*after summer 2018, see advisor for substitution

Total Hours Required for the Political Science Major
B.A.: 33 s.h.
B.S.: 42 s.h.

Honors in the major:
To graduate with honors in political science students must maintain at least a 3.33 UI GPA and a 3.5 major GPA. In addition, students must take POLI: 4000 Honors Seminar on the Study of Politics, one additional upper-level honors seminar in the major, and complete either POLI:4600 Honors Research Project or POLI:4601 Honors Senior Thesis. These courses count toward requirement “C” above.

Political Science Emphasis Areas—not required; students may complete up to two

- Political Theory
- American Institutions
- Law and Politics
- Political Communication
- Political Economy
- Politics of Democratization
- Politics of Developing Relations
- International Relations
- Identity Politics
- Political Processes
- Politics of Industrial Democracies
- American Political Practice

**See https://clas.uiowa.edu/polisci/undergraduate/emphasis-areas-political-science for more information**
Academic Advising for Political Science and International Relations

**Advising for first-year students**
First-year students and those with less than 24 s.h. earned are advised at the Academic Advising Center. The Center's team of advisors specializes in transitioning students to academic and student life at Iowa. Working with an assigned caseload, the advisors help each student plan for a successful academic start at Iowa.

**Advising during sophomore through senior years**
Martha Kirby serves as the academic advisor for Political Science students who have earned at least 24 s.h. She is available to assist students with all aspects of their academic life at Iowa, including add/drop forms, course registration, academic probation, transfer course review, comprehensive plans of study through graduation, and more.

In addition, when you achieve junior standing and above you will be assigned a faculty advisor; students and faculty are matched based on shared academic interests. While you will continue to see Martha Kirby for routine advising functions, your faculty advisor is available to serve as your mentor in the discipline, providing guidance for research projects, graduate school planning, supervision of off-site internships, and more.

**Honors Advising**
Students interested in graduating with honors are encouraged to consult with the Department of Political Science Faculty Honors Advisor. Professor John Nelson is available to discuss ways in which honors students may enhance their undergraduate education through research and other high impact academic activities.

**Special Opportunities for students:**
- Internships
- Career Workshops
- Departmental Scholarships
- Research with Faculty
- Study Abroad
- Living Learning Community

**Popular Co-Curricular Activities for Political Science/International Relations Students**
- Undergraduate Political Science Association
- Phi Alpha Delta (Pre-Law Fraternity)
- Political/Campaign Volunteering
- Internationally-themed student organizations
- Local non-profit organizations
- Pi Sigma Alpha (National Political Science Honors Society)
- Politically-affiliated student organizations
- Grad School (PhD, MPA, MPP, MPH, Urban Planning)

**Careers with a Political Science or International Relations Major**
- Campaigns and Elections
- Foreign Service
- Political Action Organizations
- Public Policy Research
- Law School
- Local, State, and Federal Government Administration
- Peace Corps
- Business (Banking, Real Estate, Insurance, Mgmt)
- Journalism
- Grad School (PhD, MPA, MPP, MPH, Urban Planning)

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