

# Bachelor of Arts (BA) – Political Science

## Catalog Year 2021

For Advising Purposes Only

### GENERAL EDUCATION CORE CURRICULUM

42 HOURS

#### COMMUNICATION – CODE 010 (6 HOURS)

- ENG 1310, ENG 1320, ENG 1321<sup>1</sup>, HON 2301A<sup>1</sup>, HON 2301B<sup>1</sup>, or any 010 coded course

#### MATHEMATICS – CODE 020 (3 HOURS)

- MATH 1312, MATH 1315, MATH 1316, MATH 1317, MATH 1319, MATH 1329, MATH 2321, MATH 2417, MATH 2471, HON 2302A<sup>1</sup>, HON 2302B<sup>1</sup>, or any 020 coded course

#### LIFE AND PHYSICAL SCIENCE – CODE 030 (6 HOURS)

- Choose two: ANTH 2301/2101, BIO 1320, BIO 1321, BIO 1330, BIO 1331, CHEM 1310, CHEM 1330, CHEM 1335, CHEM 1341, CHEM 1342, GEO 1305, GEOL 1410, GEOL 1420, PHYS 1310, PHYS 1315, PHYS 1320, PHYS 1325, PHYS 1340, PHYS 1350, PHYS 1360, PHYS 1370, PHYS 1430, PHYS 2425, HON 2303A<sup>1</sup>, HON 2303B<sup>1</sup>, HON 2303C<sup>1</sup>, HON 2303D<sup>1</sup>, or any 030 coded course

#### LANGUAGE, PHILOSOPHY, AND CULTURE – CODE 040 (3 HOURS)

- ENG 2310<sup>1</sup>, ENG 2320<sup>1</sup>, ENG 2330<sup>1</sup>, ENG 2340<sup>1</sup>, ENG 2359<sup>1</sup>, ENG 2360<sup>1</sup>, ENG 2371<sup>1</sup>, PHIL 1305<sup>1</sup>, PHIL 1320<sup>1</sup>, HON 2304A<sup>1</sup>, HON 2304B<sup>1</sup>, HON 2304C<sup>1</sup>, or any 040 coded course

#### CREATIVE ARTS – CODE 050 (3 HOURS)

- ART 2313, DAN 2313, MU 2313, TH 2313, HON 2305A<sup>1</sup>, HON 2305B<sup>1</sup>, HON 2305C<sup>1</sup>, HON 2305D<sup>1</sup>, or any 050 coded course

#### AMERICAN HISTORY – CODE 060 (6 HOURS)

- HIST 1310<sup>1</sup>, HIST 2327<sup>1</sup>, HIST 2381<sup>1</sup>, HON 2306D<sup>1</sup>, HON 2306E<sup>1</sup>, HON 2306F<sup>1</sup>, or any 060 coded course  
 HIST 1320<sup>1</sup>, HIST 2328<sup>1</sup>, HIST 2382<sup>1</sup>, HON 2306A<sup>1</sup>, HON 2306B<sup>1</sup>, HON 2306C<sup>1</sup>, or any 060 coded course

#### POLITICAL SCIENCE – CODE 070 (6 HOURS)

- POSI 2310 and POSI 2320 (satisfied in major)

#### SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES – CODE 080 (3 HOURS)

- ANTH 1312, CA 2351, ECO 2301, ECO 2314, GEO 1310, PFW 1301, PSY 1300, SOCI 1310, HON 2308A<sup>1</sup>, or any 080 coded course

#### TEXAS STATE AREA OPTION – CODE 090 (6 HOURS)

- COMM 1310, HON 2309B<sup>1</sup>, HON 2309F<sup>1</sup>, HON 2309L<sup>1</sup>, HON 2309O<sup>1</sup>, MATH 2472, MATH 2473, PHYS 2425, or any 091/092/093 coded course  
 ENG 2310<sup>1</sup>, ENG 2320<sup>1</sup>, ENG 2330<sup>1</sup>, ENG 2340<sup>1</sup>, ENG 2359<sup>1</sup>, ENG 2360<sup>1</sup>, ENG 2371<sup>1</sup>, HON 2309A<sup>1</sup>, HON 2309C<sup>1</sup>, HON 2309D<sup>1</sup>, HON 2309E<sup>1</sup>, HON 2309G<sup>1</sup>, HON 2309H<sup>1</sup>, HON 2309I<sup>1</sup>, HON 2309J<sup>1</sup>, HON 2309K<sup>1</sup>, HON 2309M<sup>1</sup>, HON 2309N<sup>1</sup>, HON 2309P<sup>1</sup>, HON 2309Q<sup>1</sup>, or any 094 coded course

Note: Honors course options are available to members of the Honors College. Visit [www.txstate.edu/honors](http://www.txstate.edu/honors) for more info.

### ADDITIONAL BA REQUIREMENTS

18-26 HOURS

#### MODERN LANGUAGE (6 HOURS)

Choose from: American Sign Language, Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Latin, Portuguese, Russian, or Spanish  
 1410\*  1420\*  2310  2320

\*Most students will need to complete the beginning level language courses (1410 & 1420) before attempting the intermediate level language courses (2310 & 2320).

#### ADDITIONAL SCIENCE (3 HOURS)

Choose one\*: ANTH 2301/2101, BIO (any), CHEM (any), CS (any), GEO 2410, GEOL (any), MATH (any), PHIL 2330, or PHYS (any)

\*Cannot be satisfied with courses taken for the 020 or 030 components of the core curriculum.

#### ADDITIONAL ENGLISH LITERATURE (3 HOURS)

Choose one\*: ENG 2310<sup>1</sup>, ENG 2320<sup>1</sup>, ENG 2330<sup>1</sup>, ENG 2340<sup>1</sup>, ENG 2359<sup>1</sup>, or ENG 2360<sup>1</sup>

\*Can be satisfied by taking sophomore literature courses for the 040 and 090/094 components of the core curriculum.

#### WESTERN OR WORLD CIVILIZATION COURSES (6 HOURS)

- HIST 2310<sup>1</sup> or HIST 2311<sup>1</sup>  
 HIST 2312<sup>1</sup> or HIST 2320<sup>1</sup>

### MINOR

18-29 HOURS

For a full list of minors, please visit the Undergraduate Catalog page at <http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/minors/>

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Note: A course cannot satisfy both major and minor requirements.

### MINIMUM GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- 120 total hours  
 36 advanced hours  
 30 hours taken at Texas State  
 24 advanced hours taken at Texas State  
 12 advanced hours in major taken at Texas State  
 24 of the last 30 hours taken at Texas State  
 9 Writing Intensive (WI) hours taken at Texas State  
 2.00 Texas State GPA  
 2.25 Major GPA  
 2.00 Minor GPA

Note: Depending on major and minor combination, some students may need to take open electives to reach the required number of total and/or advanced hours.

<sup>1</sup>Indicates a writing intensive (WI) course

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**POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR**  
36 HOURS

- POSI 2310 Principles of American Government
- POSI 2320 Functions of American Government
- PS 2304 Introduction to Political Science
- PS 3300 Basic Political Ideas<sup>1</sup>  
or PS 3301 Basic Political Institutions<sup>1</sup>

**POLITICAL SCIENCE GROUPS (12 HOURS)**

Choose 4 of the 5 groups:

- Group I Political Theory and Methodology
- Group II American Government
- Group III Public Law and Public Administration
- Group IV Comparative Politics
- Group V International Relations

**POLITICAL SCIENCE ADVANCED ELECTIVES (9 HOURS)**

- PS 3000 or 4000 level elective
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**SENIOR SEMINAR IN POLITICAL SCIENCE (3 HOURS)**

- PS 4399<sup>1</sup> or PS 4398<sup>1</sup>

**POLITICAL SCIENCE ADVANCED COURSES**

(Note: PS 3300 or PS 3301 is a corequisite for all advanced PS courses except PS 3351)

**GROUP I – POLITICAL THEORY AND METHODOLOGY**

- PS 3311 American Political Thought: From the Colonial Period to Civil War<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3313 Contemporary Political Theory<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3314 Politics and Personality<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3315 Quantitative Research in Political Science<sup>1</sup>
- PS 4311 Ancient & Medieval Political Thought (Greeks to 1600)<sup>1</sup>
- PS 4312 Modern Political Theory (1600-1900)<sup>1</sup>
- PS 4313 The Holocaust<sup>1</sup>

**GROUP II – AMERICAN GOVERNMENT**

- PA 3316 Metropolitan Politics<sup>1</sup>
- PA 3351 Urban Management and Regional Policy<sup>1</sup>
- PA 4362 Government, Nonprofit and America Business<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3321 Campaigns and Elections<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3322 Parties and Party Politics<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3323 Congress and the Legislative Process<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3324 The American Presidency<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3325 State and Local Government<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3326 Issues and Interest Groups: Power and Pressure in America<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3327 The American Founding<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3328 Politics in Film<sup>1</sup>
- PS 4321 American Foreign Policy<sup>1</sup>

- PS 4323 Latina/o Politics<sup>1</sup>
- PS 4324 Women in Politics<sup>1</sup>
- PS 4325 Texas Politics<sup>1</sup>
- PS 4326 Media and Public Opinion<sup>1</sup>
- PS 4327 Religion and American Public Life<sup>1</sup>

**GROUP III – PUBLIC LAW AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION**

- PA 3300 Introduction to Public and Nonprofit Administration<sup>1</sup>
- PA 3310 Public Finance Administration<sup>2</sup>
- PA 3330 Public Personnel and Human Resource Administration<sup>1</sup>
- PA 3340 Administrative Law<sup>1</sup>
- PA 3350 Public Policy Process<sup>1</sup>
- PA 4352 Comparative Public Administration<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3331 The Supreme Court and the Judicial Process<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3332 Constitutional Law: Basic Structures and Principles<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3333 Constitutional Law: Individual Liberties<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3334 Civil Law in American Society<sup>1</sup>
- PS 4333 Issues in Law and Public Policy<sup>1</sup>
- PS 4334 Legal Theories and Research<sup>1</sup>

**GROUP IV – COMPARATIVE POLITICS**

- PS 3341 Comparative Politics<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3342 African Politics<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3343 Government and Politics of Latin America<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3344 Government and Politics of Europe<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3345 Government and Politics of Russia<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3346 Government and Politics of Asia
- PS 3347 Politics of Modern Southeast Asia<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3348 Revolution and Nationalism<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3352 Theories of International Politics<sup>1</sup>
- PS 4331 Islamic Law and Politics<sup>1</sup>
- PS 4342 Economic Development in Latin America<sup>1</sup>
- PS 4343 Politics of Democratization in Developing Countries<sup>1</sup>
- PS 4344 The Politics of Extremism<sup>1</sup>
- PS 4346 Organization of American States<sup>1</sup>

**GROUP V – INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**

- PS 3351 Introduction to International Studies<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3352 Theories of International Politics<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3353 Issues in World Politics<sup>1</sup>
- PS 3354 United States-Latin American Relations<sup>1</sup>
- PS 4341 Civil-Military Relations in Comparative Politics<sup>1</sup>
- PS 4351 International Conflict and Security<sup>1</sup>
- PS 4352 International Law<sup>1</sup>
- PS 4353 International Organizations<sup>1</sup>
- PS 4354 Politics of International Economic Relations<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Indicates a writing intensive (WI) course

Note: Some courses may have additional prerequisite requirements; refer to the course description in the catalog for details.

To meet with an academic advisor, please contact:

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