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 https://socialsciences.uoregon.edu/political-science/courses

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, LERC 406, 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, LERC 406, and OINT 488 (Internships) and must be earned at the UO or through UO programs abroad.

*Majors who declared prior to Fall 2018 will satisfy 100 & 200 level requirements with ANY three lower division PS courses. For full details, visit the major requirements PS page.

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, 405 or 408
- 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, LERC 406, 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. Students may be awarded a Career Path Certificate of Completion, if they complete one gateway course and four upper-division courses within a Career Path. Find details on the Career Path page.

Honors in Political Science

Junior and Senior standing Political Science majors with a minimum major GPA of 3.7 and a minimum cumulative UO GPA of 3.5 are eligible to participate in the department’s Honors Program. The Honors Thesis is a yearlong research project based within any specific area of Political Science that interests the student. Find more information on the Honors Requirements page.

Advising Resources

Tykeson College and Career Advising is the academic and career advising destination for all PS majors & minors, as well as exploring students. Tykeson Advisors can help you explore your interests, schedule classes, plan for graduation, discuss career interests, and more. To schedule an appointment, visit advising.uoregon.edu/tykeson.

Email: ppsiflightpath@uoregon.edu  Phone: 541-346-9200

PS Undergraduate Coordinator is available to assist students with general questions, Registrar forms that require department stamps (ex: late add/drop petitions, audit forms), departmental forms & processes (ex: incomplete grade contracts, exceptions, override requests), and for info about the Honors Program, PS Scholarships, and Commencement.

Email: polisci@uoregon.edu  Phone: 541-346-4864

PS Peer Advisors are available to share their experience and expertise in regard to: Political Science courses, processes, and requirements; study strategies; campus resources and tools.

Email: pspeers@uoregon.edu  Phone: 541-346-4875

PS Director of Undergraduate Studies is available to answer questions related to PS requirements, exception requests, Career Paths, and credit for internships. They are also available to discuss graduate school options and PS Peer Advisor training.

Email: psdus@uoregon.edu  Phone: 541-346-4886

Find more information at Departmental Advising and Support.

PS Majors List Serve and PS Website

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

- Departmental deadlines, news, and updates
- Department sponsored events or events featuring PS faculty
- Information about the Honors Program, scholarships, and commencement

Please visit our website at socialsciences.uoregon.edu/political-science for more information about everything discussed above as well as upcoming events, news, and research information; department directory and faculty profiles; upcoming course offerings and much more!

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