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- POLS 3360: Political Parties-Interest Grp
- POLS 3364: Politics and The Media
- POLS 4334: Const Law I: Civ Rights & Librts
- POLS 4335: Const Law II: Gov Pwr/St-Fed Rel
- POLS 4372: Political Attitudes & Behavior

**Major**

Political Science electives

Any Approved Minor

Electives

Total Hours 120

1. MATH 1332 or MATH 1369 is recommended.

2. Additional Requirements:
   - Minimum of 12 hours of Political Science must be taken in residence.
   - No grade below a C in a Political Science course will count toward the major.
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3. Recommended POLS 2304.

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POLS (International Relations/ Comparative Politics)

POLS 3377, 3378, or 3373

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2. Satisfies the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area I (Communications).
3. Satisfies the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VI (U.S. History).
4. Recommend POLITS 2304.
5. See, below International Relations/Comparative Politics course listing (select one).
6. See, below American Politics course listing (select one).

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The BS in Political Science is designed to provide graduates with the following marketable skills:

• Develop students’ analytical, writing, speaking, interpersonal, and professional skills.
• Develop students’ ability to work as effective members of a team.
• Develop students’ ability to utilize technology to solve problems and accomplish goals.
• Prepare students for professional careers in the 21st century
• Prepare students to make meaningful contributions to local, state, national, and global communities.