B.A. in Political Science

**Overview**

Political science is the study of political institutions and political behavior at the local, state, national, and international levels. Students of political science will develop critical thinking, writing, and oral communication skills essential to effective citizenship, as well as many careers.

**Degree Requirements**

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 120

**General Education Requirements**

See the 'General Education/Core Curriculum' for the College of Liberal Arts.

**Course Requirements**

A major in political science for the B.A. degree consists of 33 semester hours chosen from the subfields of American government and politics, comparative government and politics, international relations, and political analysis, including Pol 101, 102, 103, and 251.

**Other Academic Requirements**

At least 18 hours must be in non-Z-graded courses at the 300 level or above. Grades lower than C in political science courses will not be counted toward the political science major or minor.