

POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR

Requirements

All majors must complete a minimum of 10 semester courses in political science including:

Course	Title	Credits
POSC 1100	Introduction to Politics	3
One methods intensive course (listed below) ¹		4
One course at the 2000 or 3000 level from three of the following four subfields (listed below):		11 to 12
American Politics		
Political Theory		
International Politics		
Comparative Politics		
One seminar course (listed below)		4
Select four electives from any course in political science above the 1000 level ^{2,3}		Varies

¹ The Methods Intensive course requirement was added in Fall 2017. Students who declared their major prior to Fall 2017 are not required to take this course, and may take an additional elective instead.

² Courses outside of political science with the POSC attribute may also fulfill this requirement, as may any course with the attributes POCP (Comparative Politics), POPT (Political Theory), POAP (American Politics), and POIP (International Politics).

³ POSC 1298 (transfer credit from AP Comparative Government and Politics) and POSC 1299 (transfer credit from AP US Government and Politics) may also fulfill this requirement.

Methods Courses

Courses in this group have the POMI attribute.

Course	Title	Credits
POSC 3211	The U.S. Congress - Methods Intensive	4
POSC 3215	American Political Parties	4
POSC 3231	Judicial Politics	4
POSC 3303	Political Polarization in American Politics	4
POSC 3309	Gender in American Politics	4
POSC 3312	Introduction to Environmental Politics	4
POSC 3313	Political Psychology	4
POSC 3610	Political Economy of Development	4
POSC 3616	Political Economy of Poverty	4
POSC 3636	China and the Global Economy	4
POSC 4022	Seminar: China in Global Affairs	4

Subfields

American Politics

Courses in this group have the POAP attribute.

Course	Title	Credits
ENST 3307	Environmental Politics	4
PJST 3200	Environmental Justice	4
POSC 2102	Introduction to Urban Politics	4

POSC 2202	Introduction to American Politics	3
POSC 2203	Introduction to the American Legal System	4
POSC 3120	New York City Internship	4
POSC 3121	New York City Politics	4
POSC 3131	Politics, Urban Health, and Environment	4
POSC 3209	Constitutional Law	4
POSC 3210	Civil Rights and Liberties	4
POSC 3211	The U.S. Congress - Methods Intensive	4
POSC 3213	Interest Group Politics	4
POSC 3214	The U.S. Congress	4
POSC 3215	American Political Parties	4
POSC 3216	American Political Institutions	4
POSC 3217	The American Presidency	4
POSC 3219	Constitutional Law and the Death Penalty	4
POSC 3223	Constitutional Law: Criminal Justice	4
POSC 3228	Civil Rights	4
POSC 3231	Judicial Politics	4
POSC 3301	Campaigns and Elections	4
POSC 3303	Political Polarization in American Politics	4
POSC 3307	Environmental Politics	4
POSC 3309	Gender in American Politics	4
POSC 3310	Racial and Ethnic Politics	4
POSC 3311	American Social Movements	4
POSC 3313	Political Psychology	4
POSC 3315	Political Participation	4
POSC 3316	Mass Media and American Politics	4
POSC 3319	Film and Politics	4
POSC 3321	American Public Policy	4
POSC 3326	Latino Politics	4
POSC 4015	American Economic Policymaking	4
POSC 4210	Seminar: State, Family, and Society	4
POSC 4215	Seminar: Presidential Elections	4
POSC 4305	Seminar: American Politics Research	4
POSC 4315	Seminar: Polarization in American Politics	4
SOCI 3002	The New Power Elite	4
SOCI 4420	Religious Freedom and American Democracy	4

Political Theory

Courses in this group have the POPT attribute.

Course	Title	Credits
MAND 3035	Confucius and the Analects	4
MLAL 3046	Democracy and Democratization in China	4
MLAL 3048	Political Thought in Modern Asia	4
MLAL 3049	Modern Chinese Political Thought	4
POSC 2401	Introduction to Political Philosophy	4
POSC 3404	American Political Thought	4
POSC 3411	Classical Political Thought	4
POSC 3412	Modern Political Thought	4
POSC 3413	Contemporary Political Philosophy	4
POSC 3414	Politics, Nature, and History	4
POSC 3415	Politics, Reason, and Revelation	4

POSC 3416	Liberalism and Its Critics	4
POSC 3418	Islamic Political Thought	4
POSC 3420	Women and Film	4
POSC 3421	Political Theory in Popular Culture	4
POSC 3422	Politics of the Present	4
POSC 3424	Political Philosophy between Islam and the West	4
POSC 3425	LGBTQ Politics and Theory	4
POSC 3427	Islam, Art, and Resistance	4
POSC 3429	Democratic Theory	4
POSC 3437	Democracy in a Global Context	3
POSC 3456	Late Modern Political Thought	4
POSC 3550	Decolonial Thought in Latin America	4
POSC 4400	Seminar: Global Justice	4
POSC 4420	Seminar: Nationalism and Democracy	4

International Politics

Courses in this group have the POIP attribute.

Course	Title	Credits
ENST 3308	Catastrophe and Human Survival	4
PJST 4200	Conflict Resolution and Peacemaking	4
POSC 2501	Introduction to International Politics	4
POSC 2800	Introduction to Political Economy	4
POSC 3312	Introduction to Environmental Politics	4
POSC 3507	International Human Rights	4
POSC 3511	War and Peace	4
POSC 3516	Conflict Analysis/Resolution	4
POSC 3520	Mideast and the World	4
POSC 3521	Global Governance	4
POSC 3522	United Nations	4
POSC 3526	Democracy, Terrorism, and Modern Life	4
POSC 3527	United Nations Peace Operations	4
POSC 3530	U.S. Foreign Policy	4
POSC 3532	The Development of Human Rights Law	4
POSC 3534	The International Politics of Civilian Protection	4
POSC 3540	Politics of Cyberspace	4
POSC 3616	Political Economy of Poverty	4
POSC 3636	China and the Global Economy	4
POSC 3637	Russian Foreign Policy	4
POSC 3915	International Political Economy	4
POSC 4010	Taming "Wicked Problems": Social Science Research and Solutions Lab	4
POSC 4022	Seminar: China in Global Affairs	4
POSC 4040	Seminar: Sustainable Development	4
POSC 4515	Seminar: International Politics of Peace	4
POSC 4547	Seminar: War, Peace, Law, and the United Nations Security Council	4

Comparative Politics

Courses in this group have the POCP attribute.

Course	Title	Credits
FREN 3070	France Votes!	4
MAND 3060	Contemporary Chinese Politics	4
MLAL 3046	Democracy and Democratization in China	4
MVST 3501	Between Conquest and Convivencia: The Spanish Kingdoms of the Middle Ages	4
POSC 2102	Introduction to Urban Politics	4
POSC 2610	Introduction to Comparative Politics	4
POSC 3107	Dystopian Politics	4
POSC 3312	Introduction to Environmental Politics	4
POSC 3605	Comparative Democracy	4
POSC 3610	Political Economy of Development	4
POSC 3613	Political Movements	4
POSC 3614	Political Institutions	4
POSC 3620	British Government and Politics	4
POSC 3621	European Politics	4
POSC 3622	Politics of the European Union	4
POSC 3630	South Asian Politics	4
POSC 3631	China and Russia in Comparative Perspective	4
POSC 3632	China and U.S. in Global Era	4
POSC 3636	China and the Global Economy	4
POSC 3637	Russian Foreign Policy	4
POSC 3641	Latin American Politics	4
POSC 3645	Politics of Immigration	4
POSC 3651	Comparative Politics of the Middle East	4
POSC 3652	State-Society Relations in the Middle East	4
POSC 3653	Religion and Society in the Middle East	4
POSC 4001	Rhetorical Arts & Politics in the Ignatian Tradition: A London Study Tour	4
POSC 4022	Seminar: China in Global Affairs	4
POSC 4025	Youth and Politics	4
POSC 4037	Social Movements and Revolutions	4
POSC 4040	Seminar: Sustainable Development	4
POSC 4545	Seminar: Russian Politics and Society	4
POSC 4605	Political Violence	4
POSC 4620	Seminar: The World of Democracy	4

Seminar Courses

Courses in this group have the POSM attribute.

Course	Title	Credits
POSC 4002	Seminar: Global Migration	4
POSC 4022	Seminar: China in Global Affairs	4
POSC 4040	Seminar: Sustainable Development	4
POSC 4210	Seminar: State, Family, and Society	4
POSC 4215	Seminar: Presidential Elections	4
POSC 4216	Seminar: Campaigns and Elections	4
POSC 4240	Seminar: Black Ethnic Politics	4
POSC 4260	Seminar: Sex and Sexuality in U.S Politics	4
POSC 4305	Seminar: American Politics Research	4
POSC 4315	Seminar: Polarization in American Politics	4
POSC 4400	Seminar: Global Justice	4

POSC 4401	Seminar: Urban Politics	4
POSC 4420	Seminar: Nationalism and Democracy	4
POSC 4515	Seminar: International Politics of Peace	4
POSC 4526	Seminar: The Politics of Humanitarian Intervention	4
POSC 4535	Seminar: Post-Cold War Human Rights and Protection Architecture	4
POSC 4545	Seminar: Russian Politics and Society	4
POSC 4547	Seminar: War, Peace, Law, and the United Nations Security Council	4
POSC 4620	Seminar: The World of Democracy	4
POSC 4881	Seminar: Supreme Court	4
POSC 4900	Seminar: Democracy, Development, and the Global Economy	4

Availability

The major in political science is available at Fordham College at Rose Hill, Fordham College at Lincoln Center, and Fordham's School of Professional and Continuing Studies at Rose Hill and Lincoln Center.

Fordham College at Rose Hill students: The requirements above are in addition to those of the Core Curriculum.

Fordham College at Lincoln Center students: The requirements above are in addition to those of the Core Curriculum.

Professional and Continuing Studies students: The requirements above are in addition to those of the PCS Core Curriculum and any additional electives that may be required to earn a minimum of 124 credits.

CIP Code

45.1001 - Political Science and Government, General.

You can use the CIP code to learn more about career paths associated with this field of study and, for international students, possible post-graduation visa extensions. Learn more about CIP codes and other information resources.