# Political Science, Bachelor of Science

Offered by Department of Political Science (http://catalog.unk.edu/undergraduate/departments-programs/political-science/)

## General Studies

**Foundational Requirements (LOPERs 1-4)**
- **12** credit hours
- Including:
  - LOPER 4: Mathematics, Statistics, and Quantitative Reasoning
    - STAT 235 Introduction to Statistics for Social Sciences
    - or STAT 241 Elementary Statistics

**Broad Knowledge Requirements (LOPERs 5-8)**
- **12** credit hours

**Dispositional Requirements (LOPERs 9-10)**
- **6** credit hours
- Including:
  - LOPER 9: Civic Competency and Engagement
  - PSCI 140 Democracies Around the World
  - LOPER 10: Respect for Human Diversity
  - PSCI 168 Introduction to International Relations

**Wellness (LOPER 11) Optional**
- **0** credit hours

## BS Science-related course requirements

- Complete all required courses: **0** credit hours

## Major Option

- Complete all required courses: **36** credit hours

## Minor or 2nd Major

- Complete all required courses: **24** credit hours

## Unrestricted electives

- Needed to reach 120 credit hour minimum: **30** credit hours

### Total Credit Hours

- **120** credit hours

## Major Option

### Code | Title | Credit Hours
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### Political Science Core

- PSCI 110 Introduction to American Politics
- PSCI 381 Introduction to Political Inquiry
- PSCI 489 Senior Seminar

### Political Science Requirements

Select at least 3 credit hours from five separate subfields: **15** credit hours

#### Political Thought

- PSCI 372 Theoretical Foundations of American Politics and Law
- PSCI 373 Ancient Political Thought
- PSCI 374 Modern Political Thought
- PSCI 375 Democratic Political Thought
- PSCI 376 20th & 21st Century Political Thought
- PSCI 377 Topics in Political Thought
- PSCI 378 Feminist Political Thought

#### American Government

- PSCI 212 Introduction to Public Administration
- PSCI 252 The Courts and the Judicial Process
- PSCI 351 The American Congress
- PSCI 352 The American Presidency
- PSCI 360 Topics in American Politics
- PSCI 361 State and Local Government
- PSCI 410 Advanced Study in American Government: Special Topics

#### Mass Political Behavior

- PSCI 347 Comparative Political Behavior
- PSCI 365 Campaigns and Elections
- PSCI 366 Political Parties and Interest Groups
- PSCI 371 Religion & Politics
- PSCI 382 Public Opinion and Political Problems
- PSCI 420 Advanced Study in Political Behavior: Special Topics

#### Public Law

- PSCI 252 The Courts and the Judicial Process
- PSCI 300 American Constitutional Law
- PSCI 325 Individual Liberties and Civil Rights
- PSCI 368 International Law and Organization

#### Public Policy Administration

- PSCI 212 Introduction to Public Administration
- PSCI 332 Environmental Politics & Policy
- PSCI 333 The Politics and Policy of Health Care
- PSCI 341 Politics of the Drug War
- PSCI 353 Race & Politics
- PSCI 355 Public Budgeting
- PSCI 356 Public Personnel Administration
- PSCI 370 American Foreign Policy
- PSCI 385 Foundations of Public Policy
- PSCI 400 Public Administration
- PSCI 486 Policy Analysis

#### Comparative Politics

- PSCI 340 Topics in Comparative Politics
- PSCI 341 Politics of the Drug War
- PSCI 344 Politics of the Developed World
- PSCI 345 Politics of the Developing World
- PSCI 346 Latin American Politics
- PSCI 347 Comparative Political Behavior
- PSCI 348 Military Politics and Civil-Military Relations
- PSCI 362 Dynamics of Humanitarian Crises and Global Society
- PSCI 390 Politics & Culture of Asia
- PSCI 440 Advanced Study in Comparative Politics: Special Topics
- PSCI 450 Nations in Transition

#### International Relations

- PSCI 269 The Institutions and Processes of the United Nations
- PSCI 320 Politics and Law of International Human Rights
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**Political Science Electives**

Take 12 credit hours of any PSCI courses 200-499  

It is strongly recommended that at least one elective course be in experiential learning: PSCI 456 Field Study (6 hours max), PSCI 475 Internship in Political Science (9 hours max) AND/OR PSCI 490 Directed Research

Total Credit Hours 36

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1. Students without sufficient preparation will also need to take the following courses, increasing the total credit hours needed:
   - MATH 102
   - MATH 103

2. Designated courses with the appropriate content may be approved to satisfy one of the Broad Knowledge requirements plus LOPER 9 or Broad Knowledge plus LOPER 10. Courses may be approved to satisfy LOPER 9 or LOPER 10 alone. (Courses satisfying LOPER 9 or LOPER 10 alone must be 3 credit hours.) Students applying this option will need to take additional hours in other categories to meet the required GS hours.

3. A minor or second major is required for a complete degree program. The number of required electives needed to reach 120 total credit hours overall will depend upon the specific program chosen.

4. May be repeated once with different topic.