

POLITICAL SCIENCE B.A.

All students must meet the Degree and University Requirements.

All students must meet the Catamount Core Curriculum Requirements.

All students must meet the College Requirements.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

30 credits in major courses, plus 3-6 credits in ancillary courses, including:

Requirement Description		Credits
LEVEL AND RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS		
4 courses at the 1000-level		12
2 courses/6 credits at the 2000-level or above taken at UVM		6
2 additional courses/6 credits at the 2000-level or above taken at UVM or on a collegiate study abroad program		6
1 additional course/3 credits at the 3000-level or above taken at UVM		3
3 additional credits at any level		3
COURSE REQUIREMENTS		
CORE COURSES.		
POLS 1200	Intro to Political Theory	
or POLS 1012 FYS Intro to Political Theory		
POLS 1300	US Political System	
or POLS 1013 FYS US Political System		
POLS 1500	Intro International Relations	
or POLS 1015 FYS Intro Int'l Relations		
POLS 1700	Comparative World Politics	
or POLS 1017 FYS Comparative World Politics		
SUBFIELDS. Choose three of the following options:		
Political Theory. 1 course/3 credits in POLS numbered 2200 to 2299, or 3200 to 3299		
US Politics. 1 course/3 credits in POLS numbered 2300 to 2499, or 3300 to 3499, or POLS 4310		
International Relations. 1 course/3 credits in POLS numbered 2500 to 2699, or 3500 to 3699		
Comparative Politics. 1 course/3 credits in POLS numbered 2600 to 2799, or 3600 to 3799		
SEMINAR. 1 course/3 credits from the following:		
POLS numbered 3200 to 3799		

POLS 4310	VT Legislative Research Srv	
RESIDENCY. 4 courses/12 credits must be taken at UVM.		
ELECTIVE. 3 additional credits in POLS		
With the approval of the chair or the director of undergraduate studies, certain CAS 2920 internship experiences may be substituted for the POLS elective.		
SKILLS REQUIREMENT		
Choose 1 of the following options:		3-6
STATISTICS AND METHODOLOGY. Choose 1 of the following options:		
Option A:		
POLS 2800/ SOC 2500	Social Research Methods	
and 1 course/3 credits in STAT		
POLS 2800/SOC 2500: Social Research Methods may be used within the major and for the Skills Requirement.		
Option B:		
2 courses/6 credits in STAT		
POLITICAL ECONOMY.		
ECON 1400 & ECON 1450	Principles of Macroeconomics and Principles of Microeconomics	
LANGUAGE. 1 additional course/at least 3 credits in language above the current College of Arts and Sciences language requirement. The course must be in the same language as that used to meet the CAS language requirement.		
PHILOSOPHY.		
PHIL 1400	Introduction to Logic	
and 1 additional course/3 credits in PHIL		
GEOGRAPHY.		
GEOG 2510	Geog Info:Cncpts & Applic	
GEOG 2550	Qualitative Research Methods	

OTHER INFORMATION

In the College of Arts and Sciences (CAS), only one course may overlap between a major and a minor or between two CAS majors.

Courses for the major and/or its pre/co-requisites that are cross-listed in the catalog or schedule of courses under another course prefix may be taken under that other prefix and still count for these requirements.

With the approval of the chair/director, courses that applied to the major in previous years but have since been deactivated may be applied to this year's major requirements if they are reactivated.

For a Bachelor of Arts degree, no more than 45 credits in courses with the same departmental prefix may be used toward completion of the 120 credits required for graduation.

At least half of the credits used to complete major requirements must be taken at the University of Vermont.