Nebraska Wesleyan University

Political Science (B.A., B.S.)

Catalog

2024-2025

Program Description

The choice of a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree is available to political science majors. If a student has a second major, the degree choice may be determined by the other major.

Departments

1. Political Science

Political Science Major (B.A. or B.S., 40 hours)

Core Courses	36 hours
POLSC 1010 United States Government and Politics or POLSC 1010FYW United States Government and Politics	4 hours
POLSC 1100 Introduction to International Politics	4 hours
POLSC 2000 Introduction to Political Science Statistics	4 hours
POLSC 2300 Introduction to Political Science	2 hours
POLSC 3010 Research Methods: Qualitative Research	2 hours
POLSC 3020 Research Methods: Quantitative Research	2 hours
American Politics area (select from the following) • POLSC 2030 Elections • POLSC 2090 Introduction to Public Policy • POLSC 2200 Race and Politics • POLSC 2210 Immigration • POLSC 2350 Judicial Politics • POLSC 2400 Congress • POLSC 2450 State Politics and Policy • POLSC 2460 Media and Politics • POLSC 2630 Foreign Policy • POLSC 2900/POLSC 3900 Selected Topics (when applicable) • POLSC 3300 Public Opinion	6 hours

Core Courses	36 hours
International Politics area (select from the following) • POLSC 2610 Politics of Europe • POLSC 2620 Latin American Politics • POLSC 2640 Terrorism and Political Violence • POLSC 2650 War And Peace • POLSC 2700 Women and Power • POLSC 2710 Global Politics and the United Nations • POLSC 2720 Global Environmental Politics • POLSC 2900/POLSC 3900 Selected Topics (when applicable) • POLSC 3150 Democratization • POLSC 3700 International Law and Organization • POLSC 3710 Human Rights • POLSC 3750 International Security • POLSC 3800 Global Revolution and Rebellion	6 hours
Political Science Electives Select 6 hours of political science courses. 4 hours must be at the 3000- or 4000-level. Note: When selecting electives, keep in mind that a minimum of 12 hours of upper level courses are required in the major.	6 hours
Capstone	**4 hours**
POLSC 4990A Senior Seminar and POLSC 4990B Senior Seminar In some cases, senior research may be completed instead through a project undertaken in conjunction with POLSC 2970 Internship.	4 hours
Required Minor	
Political Science majors must also complete one or more minors. Students pursuing a double major may substitute their second major for the minor requirement.	

** Minimum 12 hours of 3000-4000 level work must be completed in major. Make sure to work with advisor to check that all upper-level hours are completed in plan.