Nebraska Wesleyan University

Catalog 2025-2026

Major:

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

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/Programs:

Political Science

Political Science Major (B.A. or B.S., 36 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

Politicial Science Electives

- Eight (8) hours of the electives credit must be completed at the 3000/4000 level
- A minimum of two (2) courses must be completed in each of the two (2) subfields (US Politics/International Politics) listed below:

US Electives (select two from the following):

- POLSC 2030 Elections
- POLSC 2100 Social Policy
- POLSC 2110 Making Social Change: Political Activism and Grassroots Organizing
- POLSC 2200 Race and Politics
- POLSC 2350 Judicial Politics
- POLSC 2450 State Politics and Policy
- POLSC 2500 Constitutional Law
- POLSC-2550
- POLSC 2720 Global Environmental Politics
- POLSC-2730
- POLSC 3300 Public Opinion
- POLSC-3400

International Politics Electives (select two from the following):

- POLSC 2630 Foreign Policy
- POLSC 2640 Terrorism and Political Violence
- POLSC-2660
- POLSC-2670
- POLSC 2700 Women and Power
- POLSC-3720
- POLSC-3730

Capstone

POLSC-4990

In some cases, senior research may be completed instead through a project undertaken in conjunction with POLSC 2970 Internship.

Required Minor

Political Science majors must also complete one or more minors. Students pursuing a double major may substitute their second major for the

** 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.