

## UCF Degree Programs

### Political Science (B.A.)

#### College of Sciences

#### Department of Political Science,

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This degree program may be completed online, although not all elective options or program prerequisites may be offered online. Newly admitted students choosing to complete this program exclusively via UCF online classes may enroll with a reduction in campus-based fees. See <http://ucf.edu/online> for more information.

#### Admission Requirements

- None

#### Degree Requirements

- Students who change degree programs and select this major must adopt the most current catalog
- Co-op or internship credit cannot be used in this major without prior departmental approval
- Students should consult with a departmental advisor
- Departmental Residency Requirement consists of at least 21 semester hours of regularly scheduled courses taken from the UCF Department of Political Science
- All prerequisites of courses taught within the College of Sciences will be enforced.
- Courses designated in 1 (General Education Program) and 2 (Common Program Prerequisites) are usually completed in the first 60 hours.

#### Double major/dual degree policy in Political Science programs and minors

- 1. Students who double major/degree in any Political Science track and International and Global Studies shall not count more than two courses toward both programs, except the following:

POS 2041	American National Government	3 hrs
POS 3703	Scope and Methods of Political Science	3 hrs

- 2. Students who major in International and Global Studies, and minor in Political Science, shall not count more than one course toward both programs, except the following:
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| POS 2041 | American National Government | 3 hrs |
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- 3. Students who major in any Political Science track, and minor in International and Global Studies, shall not count more than one course toward both programs.
  - 4. Students who double minor in Political Science and International and Global Studies shall not count more than one course toward both programs.

#### 1. UCF General Education Program (GEP) (36 hrs)

##### A: Communication Foundations (9 hrs)

Required	ENC 1101 Composition I	3 hrs
Prefer	ENC 1102 Composition II	3 hrs
Prefer	SPC 1608 Fundamentals of Oral Communication	3 hrs

##### B: Cultural & Historical Foundations (9 hrs)

##### For Track 1 (American Politics) students

Prefer	AMH 2010 U.S. History: 1492-1877	3 hrs
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##### For Track 2 (Int'l & Comp) students:

Prefer	EUH 2001 Western Civilization II or	3 hrs
Prefer	WOH 2022 World Civilization II	3 hrs
	Select two courses from B.2.	6 hrs

##### C: Mathematical Foundations (6 hrs)

##### - 1. Math (3 hrs)

Prefer	MGF 1106 Finite Mathematics or	3 hrs
Prefer	MGF 1107 Explorations in Mathematics or	3 hrs
	You may substitute a higher level math with appropriate scores on the Math Placement Test.	3 hrs

<b>- 2. Statistics</b>		<b>3 hrs</b>
Prefer	STA 2014C Principles of Statistics or	3 hrs
	May substitute a higher level Statistics course.	3 hrs

##### D: Social Foundations (6 hrs)

Required	POS 2041 American National Government	3 hrs
	Select from GEP D.2 list	3 hrs

##### E: Science Foundations (6 hrs)

##### 2. Common Program Prerequisites (CPP) (3 hrs)

- See "Common Prerequisites" in the Transfer and Transitions Services section for more information.

- See Transfer Notes for possible substitutes.

POS 2041	American National Government	GEP
POS 3703	Scope and Methods of Political Science	3 hrs

##### 3. Core Requirements: Basic Level

- Courses specifically identified in the preceding Common Program Prerequisites section of this catalog are also required in the Basic Core, and must be taken.

POS 2041	American National Government	GEP/ CPP
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##### 4. Core Requirements: Advanced Level (18 hrs)

- Courses specifically identified in the preceding Common Program Prerequisites section of this catalog are also required in the Basic Core, and must be taken.

POS 3703	Scope and Methods of Political Science	CPP
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##### Two courses from Area A (6 hrs)

##### Two courses from Area B (6 hrs)

##### Two courses from Area C (6 hrs)

POS 4961	Exit Exam	0 hrs
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##### 5. Restricted Electives (12 hrs)

- Choose one of the following tracks.

##### Track 1: American Politics and Policy

Two courses from Area A		6 hrs
Two courses from any Area		6 hrs

##### Track 2: International Relations-Comparative Politics

Two courses from Area B		6 hrs
Two courses from any Area		6 hrs

##### Track 3: Prelaw

- Please see Political Science - Prelaw Track

##### Areas of Specialization

##### A. American Politics and Policy Area

POS 3076	American Indian Politics or	3 hrs
POS 3122	State Government and Public Policy or	3 hrs
POS 3173	Southern Politics or	3 hrs
POS 3182	Florida Politics or	3 hrs
POS 3233	Public Opinion or	3 hrs
POS 3234	Protest in American Politics or	3 hrs
POS 3235	Mass Media and Politics or	3 hrs
POS 3258	Politics in Film or	3 hrs
POS 3273	Voting and Elections or	3 hrs
POS 3272	Civic Engagement or	3 hrs
POS 3413	The American Presidency or	3 hrs
POS 3424	Congress and the Legislative Process or	3 hrs
POS 3443	Political Parties and Processes or	3 hrs
POS 3463	Interest Groups or	3 hrs
POS 3733	Designing Political Science Research or	3 hrs
POS 4030	The Politics of Sports or	3 hrs
POS 4074	Latino Politics or	3 hrs
POS 4142	Metropolitan Politics or	3 hrs
POS 4204	Political Behavior or	3 hrs
POS 4244	Political Socialization or	3 hrs
POS 4284	Judicial Process and Politics or	3 hrs
POS 4412	Presidential Campaigning or	3 hrs
POS 4603	American Constitutional Law I or	3 hrs
POS 4604	American Constitutional Law II or	3 hrs
POS 4622	Politics and Civil Rights or	3 hrs
POS 4764	GIS for Political Analysis or	3 hrs
PUP 3203	Environmental Politics or	3 hrs
PUP 3204	Sustainability or	3 hrs
PUP 3314	Minorities in American Politics or	3 hrs
PUP 4003	American Public Policy or	3 hrs
PUP 4209	Urban Environmental Policy or	3 hrs
PUP 4323	Women and Public Policy or	3 hrs
PUP 4404	Education and Politics or	3 hrs

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PUP 4503	Government and Science or	3 hrs
PUP 4510	Space Policy or	3 hrs
PUP 4744	Government and Business or	3 hrs
PUP 4931	Topics in Public Policy	3 hrs

### B. International Relations and Comparative

#### Government Area

CPO 3034	Politics of Developing Areas or	3 hrs
CPO 3057	Contemporary Revolution and Political Violence or	3 hrs
CPO 3103	Comparative Politics or	3 hrs
CPO 3104	Politics of Western Europe or	3 hrs
CPO 3132	Canadian Politics or	3 hrs
CPO 3403	Politics of the Middle East or	3 hrs
CPO 3614	Politics of Eastern Europe or	3 hrs
CPO 4062	Comparative Judicial Process or	3 hrs
CPO 4074	Political Economy or	3 hrs
CPO 4101	Politics of the European Union or	3 hrs
CPO 4123	Government and Politics of Great Britain or	3 hrs
CPO 4303	Comparative Latin American Politics or	3 hrs
CPO 4445	Comparative Political Parties or	3 hrs
CPO 4514	Politics of East Asia or	3 hrs
CPO 4541	Chinese Politics or	3 hrs
CPO 4553	Politics of Japan or	3 hrs
CPO 4643	Government and Politics of Russia or	3 hrs
CPO 4710	Women in Comparative Politics or	3 hrs
CPO 4731	Politics of Democratization or	3 hrs
CPO 4754	Comparative Political Institutions or	3 hrs
CPO 4784	Political and Economic Inequality in Comparative Perspective or	3 hrs
CPO 4794	Indigenous Politics and the Environment or	3 hrs
GEO 3471	World Political Geography or	3 hrs
INR 2002	International Relations-Theory and Practice or	3 hrs
INR 3016	Global Political Issues or	3 hrs
INR 3250	Politics of Pan-Africanism or	3 hrs
INR 3253	International Politics of Africa or	3 hrs
INR 4008	Global Perspectives or	3 hrs
INR 4011	Politics of Globalization or	3 hrs
INR 4030	Diplomacy or	3 hrs
INR 4035	International Political Economy or	3 hrs
INR 4054	Global Politics of Energy or	3 hrs
INR 4060	Causes of War or	3 hrs
INR 4063	The Cold War or	3 hrs
INR 4074	Immigration Policy or	3 hrs
INR 4075	Human Rights Policy or	3 hrs
INR 4076	Global Drug Policy or	3 hrs
INR 4084	Politics of International Terrorism or	3 hrs
INR 4085	Women, Gender, and Globalization or	3 hrs
INR 4102	American Foreign Policy or	3 hrs
INR 4104	Topics and Cases in American Foreign Policy or	3 hrs
INR 4114	American Security Policy or	3 hrs
INR 4115	Strategic Weapons and Arms Control or	3 hrs
INR 4224	Contemporary International Politics of Asia or	3 hrs
INR 4225	The Vietnam War or	3 hrs
INR 4243	International Politics of Latin America or	3 hrs
INR 4274	International Politics of the Middle East or	3 hrs
INR 4304	Issues in International Public Policy or	3 hrs
INR 4335	Coercion in International Politics or	3 hrs
INR 4350	Global Environmental Politics or	3 hrs
INR 4351	International Environmental Law or	3 hrs
INR 4363	Intelligence Analysis and Reporting or	3 hrs
INR 4364	The Intelligence Community or	3 hrs
INR 4401	International Law or	3 hrs
INR 4404	Space Law or	3 hrs
INR 4502	International Organizations or	3 hrs
INR 4714	Politics of International Trade Policy or	3 hrs
INR 4744	Militaries in World Politics or	3 hrs
INR 4764	Cyberwarfare Policy or	3 hrs
INR 4765	Emerging Space Powers or	3 hrs
INR 4774	Military Space Policy or	3 hrs
POS 3733	Designing Political Science Research or	3 hrs
PUP 3014	Comparative Public Policy or	3 hrs
PUP 4510	Space Policy	3 hrs

#### C. Political Theory Area

INR 4603	International Relations Theory or	3 hrs
POS 4206	Political Psychology or	3 hrs
POT 3204	American Political Thought or	3 hrs

POT 3302	Modern Political Ideologies or	3 hrs
POT 4003	Political Theory or	3 hrs
POT 4025	Ancient, Medieval and Early Modern Political Philosophy or	3 hrs
POT 4066	Contemporary Political Theory or	3 hrs
POT 4109	Politics and Literature or	3 hrs
POT 4305	Democracy, Capitalism, and the Individual or	3 hrs
POT 4314	Contemporary Democratic Theory or	3 hrs
POT 4331	Utopia/Dystopia or	3 hrs
POT 4345	Pan-Africanist Thought or	3 hrs
POT 4632	Religion and Politics	3 hrs

### 6. Capstone Requirements

- None

### 7. Foreign Language Requirements

#### Admissions

- Met by graduation requirement

#### Graduation

- Proficiency equivalent to one year of college instruction in a foreign language taught by the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures or Judaic Studies. Standardized examinations for foreign languages may be used to meet the requirement.

### 8. Electives

- Select primarily from upper level courses after meeting with a departmental advisor. Courses may be outside the department.
- Internship Program: For students who excel, a limited number of internships may be available each semester for three to six hours of credit. Under the Internship Director, the student is typically placed in an office of local, state, or national government, a law office, or a campaign headquarters.
- No more than 9 credits of a combination of Honors in the Major, Independent Study, and Internship may be counted toward the major in Political Science, provided that no more than 50% of an Area be covered by such credits.
- Students who qualify for Senior Scholars Program may enroll in graduate-level courses to satisfy major requirements to take Area courses.

### 9. Additional Requirements

- None

### 10. Required Minors

- None

### 11. Departmental Exit Requirements

- Students must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 in all courses taken in the major. If additional major courses are taken beyond the minimum required (e.g. additional restricted electives), those courses will be included in the GPA calculation.
- Complete the Educational Testing Service Field Exam in Political Science during the student's graduating semester while enrolled in the 0 credit Exit Exam Course.

### 12. University Minimum Exit Requirements

- A 2.0 UCF GPA
- 60 semester hours earned after CLEP awarded
- 48 semester hours of upper division credit completed
- 30 of the last 39 hours of course work must be completed in residency at UCF.
- A maximum of 45 hours of extension, correspondence, CLEP, Credit by Exam, and Armed Forces credits permitted.
- Complete the General Education Program, the Gordon Rule, and nine hours of Summer credit.

### Total Semester Hours Required

- 120

### Honors In Major

- Interested students who meet the requirements are encouraged to participate in the HIM program. Contact the department for information about the program and the HIM coordinator.

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- No more than 9 credits of a combination of Honors in the Major, Independent Study, and Internship may be counted toward the major in Political Science, provided that no more than 50% of an Area be covered by such credits.

### Related Programs

- Economics
- History

### Certificates

- Diplomacy
- Intelligence and National Security
- Civics Teaching

### Related Minors

- Economics
- History
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Philosophy

### Advising Notes

- None

### Transfer Notes

- Lower division courses do not substitute for upper division courses.

■ Courses transferred from private and out-of-state schools must be evaluated for equivalency credit. The student must provide all supporting information.

### Acceptable Substitutes for Transfer Courses

- The following substitutions for common program prerequisites are acceptable if taken prior to transferring to UCF:

■ POS 2041: any three hours of introductory Political Science classes will satisfy the CPP. However since this course is required in the core of the major and is a prerequisite to subsequent courses, it still must be taken.

■ POS 3703: any three hours of introductory Political Science classes will satisfy the CPP. However since this course is required in the core of the major, it still must be taken.

### Plan of Study

■ This is one of numerous possible plans of study. See program description for all requirements. Consult a departmental advisor for alternate, new or more appropriate selections.

■ Prior to enrolling in Math, take Math Placement Test ~ <http://utc.sdes.ucf.edu>

■ You may be required to complete 9 hours of them during the Summer. Consult with an advisor to determine if you are exempt.

### Freshman Year - Fall 13 hrs

POS 2041	American National Government	3 hrs
AMH 2010	U.S. History: 1492-1877	3 hrs
ENC 1101	Composition I	3 hrs
Foreign Language		4 hrs

### Freshman Year - Spring 13 hrs

AMH 2020	U.S. History: 1877-Present	3 hrs
ENC 1102	Composition II	3 hrs
GEP - Math		3 hrs
Foreign Language		4 hrs

### Freshman Year - Summer 9 hrs

Restricted Elective		3 hrs
GEP		3 hrs
GEP		3 hrs

### Sophomore Year - Fall 15 hrs

Restricted Elective		3 hrs
Restricted Elective		3 hrs
GEP		3 hrs
GEP		3 hrs
Free Elective		3 hrs

### Sophomore Year - Spring 15 hrs

POS 3703	Scope and Methods of Political Science	3 hrs
Restricted Elective		3 hrs
Restricted Elective		3 hrs
GEP		3 hrs
Free Elective		3 hrs

### Junior Year - Fall 15 hrs

Restricted Elective		3 hrs
Restricted Elective		3 hrs
Free Elective		3 hrs
Free Elective		3 hrs
Free Elective		3 hrs

### Junior Year - Spring 15 hrs

Restricted Elective		3 hrs
Restricted Elective		3 hrs
Free Elective		3 hrs
Free Elective		3 hrs
Free Elective		3 hrs

### Senior Year - Fall 15 hrs

Restricted Elective		3 hrs
Restricted Elective		3 hrs
Free Elective		3 hrs
Free Elective		3 hrs
Free Elective		3 hrs

### Senior Year - Spring 13 hrs

Free Elective		3 hrs
Free Elective		3 hrs
Free Elective		3 hrs
Free Elective		3 hrs
Free Elective		1 hr
POS 4961	Exit Exam	0 hrs

### Program Academic Learning Compacts

- Program Academic Learning Compacts (student learning outcomes) for undergraduate programs are located at:

[http://www.oegas.ucf.edu/aic/academic\\_learning\\_compacts.htm](http://www.oegas.ucf.edu/aic/academic_learning_compacts.htm)

### Equipment Fees

- Part-Time Student: \$5 per term
- Full-Time Student: \$10 per term