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CSU ID #:

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Degree Requirements

Minimum Credits to Graduate	120 Total	42 Upper Division	30 Credits at CSU
Completed Credits			
Current Term Registered Credits			
Credits Remaining			

REQUIRED 2.0 GPA	
Cumulative GPA	
AUCC GPA	
MAJOR GPA	

AUCC - All University Core Curriculum - (31 credits)

CAT. 1A:	(3 credits)	CAT. 3B: Arts & Humanities	(6 credits)
CAT. 1B:	(3 credits)		
CAT. 1C:	(3 credits)	CAT. 3C: Social/Behavioral Science	(3 credits)
CAT. 2: Adv. Writing	(3 credits)		
CAT. 3A: Biological/Physical Science	(7 credits)	CAT. 3D: Historical Perspectives	(3 credits)
	3 credits		
	(4 credits, includes lab)		

Political Science Core Requirements (PPSZ-C 1) - (15 credits) All POLS courses *must be completed with a C grade or better!*

MUST take POLS101, 160, 232, & 241

POLS101: American Politics	(could double count as 3 credits of AUCC CAT. 3C)	(3 credits)
POLS160: Public Policy & Service	(could double count as 3 credits of AUCC CAT. 3C)	(3 credits)
POLS232: International Relations	(could double count as 3 credits of AUCC CAT. 1C)	(3 credits)
POLS241: Comparative Politics	(could double count as 3 credits of AUCC CAT. 1C)	(3 credits)

Advanced Writing (3 credits): CO 300, CO 301x, CO 302, JTC 300, LB 300

NOTE: This may be fulfilled with AUCC CAT. 2. POLS major does not allow CO 150 to count for this requirement

Political Science Upper Division Requirements - (24 credits) Even if upper-division POLS courses are listed in multiple places, they can only count in one

PPSZ-C 2: Analytical Tools - Choose one of the following (3 credits):

POLS320: Empirical Political Analysis

POLS459: Program Eval Public Admin

Reminder: All POLS courses must be completed with a C grade or better!

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Political Science Upper Division Requirements Continued - (24 credits) Even if upper-division POLS courses are listed in multiple places, they can only count in one

PPSZ-C 3: Political Science Sub-Fields - Choose two courses from different groups (6 credits):

1. American Politics and Law:

POLS302: US Parties & Elections	POLS306: Executive Politics	POLS405: Race/Ethnicity in U.S. Politics
POLS303: Organized Interests	POLS307: Media and Politics	POLS409: Urban & Regional Politics
POLS304: Legislative Politics	POLS308: Political Psychology	POLS410: American Constitution
POLS305: Judicial Politics	POLS320: Empirical Political Analysis	POLS413: Civil Rights and Liberties

2. International Relations:

POLS331: Pol & Society Along Mexican Border	POLS433: International Organization
POLS332/ECON332: International Political Economy	POLS435: US Foreign Policy
POLS362: Global Environmental Politics	POLS436: Comparative Foreign Policy
POLS431: International Law	POLS437: International Security

3. Comparative Politics:

POLS345: Russia, Central, & East Europe	POLS445: Asian Politics
POLS347: Comparative Authority	POLS446: South American Politics
POLS441: Comparative Indigenous Politics	POLS447: Politics-Mexico/Cent Am/Carib
POLS442: Environmental Politics in the Developing World	POLS449: Middle East Politics
POLS443: Comparative Social Movement	

4. Political Theory:

POLS420: History of Political Thought	POLS422: Democratic Theory
POLS421: Contemporary Political Theory	

PPSZ-C 4: Public Policy & Administration - Choose four courses (12 credits):

POLS351: Public Administration	POLS459: Program Eval Public Admin
POLS361: US Environmental Politics/Policy	POLS460: Public Policy Process
POLS364: US Energy Policy Process	POLS462: Global, Sustainable Justice
POLS365: Food Policy and Politics in US	POLS463: Urban Policy and Management
POLS367: Power, Equity and Inclusion	POLS465: Public Policy Analysis

PPSZ-C 5: Political Science Capstone Seminar - POLS 492 (3 credits)

Must have completed 90 credits and taken courses in at least four POLS subfields to enroll

Second Field Requirements (POLS-BAOP) - Choose one of the following options:

Minor

Second Major

Foreign Language

Methods Option

Student-Selected Course Group Option