

POLITICAL SCIENCE: GENERAL POLITICAL SCIENCE, BALAS

for the degree of Bachelor of Liberal Arts & Sciences Major in Political Science, General Political Science concentration

department page:
department website: <https://www.pol.illinois.edu>
department faculty: Political Science Faculty (<https://pol.illinois.edu/directory/faculty>)
overview of college admissions & requirements: Liberal Arts & Sciences (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/las>)
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Political Science Core Requirements

General education: Students must complete the Campus General Education (<https://courses.illinois.edu/gened/DEFAULT/DEFAULT>) requirements including the campus general education language requirement.

Minimum required major and supporting course work: Normally equates to 70 hours. Twelve hours of 300- and 400-level in the major must be taken on this campus.

Minimum hours required for graduation: 120 hours.

Code	Title	Hours
PS 100	Intro to Political Science	3
	Select 6 hours from any additional 100- or 200-level Political Science courses	6
	Select 6 hours from any 300- or 400-level Political Science courses ¹	6
	Students will select a second major, or a minor, or a set of courses of at least 12 hours of thematically-related coursework outside political science, developed in conjunction with an academic advisor.	12
Total Hours		27

¹ Students may count a maximum of six (6) hours of credit of any combination of hours from PS 494 toward the advanced hours requirement. Not more than 6 hours of individual study courses in political science (PS 490) or 6 hours of internships (PS 491) or 6 hours of supervised research (PS 492) may be included in the major; a student with any mix of independent study hours and internship hours and supervised research hours may include a maximum of 9 hours of such credit in the major. (PS 496) is reserved for those seniors doing honors theses for distinction in political science and may not be counted in the 45-hour minimum required for the major.

General Political Science Concentration Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
	Select any additional 100- or 200-level Political Science courses	3
	Select any 300- or 400-level Political Science courses	9
	Select Political Science courses at any level	6
Total Hours		18