

# POLITICAL SCIENCE: GLOBAL POLITICS, BS

## Degree Requirements

**Requirements for Students Matriculating in or before Academic Year 2024-2025.** Learn more about University Academic Regulation 3.1 (<http://catalog.okstate.edu/university-academic-regulations/#matriculation>).

**Minimum Overall Grade Point Average: 2.00**

**Total Hours: 120**

Code	Title	Hours
<b>General Education Requirements</b>		
<i>English Composition</i>		
See Academic Regulation 3.5 ( <a href="http://catalog.okstate.edu/university-academic-regulations/#english-composition">http://catalog.okstate.edu/university-academic-regulations/#english-composition</a> )		
ENGL 1113	Composition I	3
or ENGL 1313	Critical Analysis and Writing I	
ENGL 1213	Composition II	3
or ENGL 1413	Critical Analysis and Writing II	
or ENGL 3323	Technical Writing	
<i>American History &amp; Government</i>		
HIST 1103	Survey of American History	3
or HIST 1483	American History to 1865 (H)	
or HIST 1493	American History Since 1865 (DH)	
POLS 1113	American Government	3
<i>Analytical &amp; Quantitative Thought (A)</i>		
MATH or STAT course designated (A)		3
<i>Humanities (H)</i>		
Courses designated (H)		6
<i>Natural Sciences (N)</i>		
Must include one Laboratory Science (L) course		
Courses designated (N)		6
<i>Social &amp; Behavioral Sciences (S)</i>		
SPCH 2713	Introduction to Speech Communication (S)	3
or SPCH 3733	Elements of Persuasion (S)	
<i>Additional General Education</i>		
Courses designated (A), (H), (N), or (S)		10
<b>Hours Subtotal</b>		<b>40</b>
<b>Diversity (D) &amp; International Dimension (I)</b>		
May be completed in any part of the degree plan		
Select at least one Diversity (D) course		
Select at least one International Dimension (I) course		
<b>College/Departmental Requirements</b>		
<i>First Year Seminar</i>		
(Transfer students with 15 hours exempt)		1
<i>Arts &amp; Humanities</i>		
See note 2.a.		3
<i>Natural &amp; Mathematical Sciences</i>		
See note 2.b.		9
<i>Foreign Language</i>		

0-6 hours. See note 3.

<i>Upper-Division General Education</i>		
Select 6 hours outside major department. See note 2.c.		
<b>Hours Subtotal</b>		<b>13</b>
<b>Major Requirements</b>		
Minimum GPA 2.50 with a minimum grade of "C" in each course.		
<i>Core Requirements</i>		
POLS 2013	Introduction to International Relations (S)	3
POLS 2113	Introduction to Comparative Politics (IS)	3
POLS 2213	Fundamentals of Political Science	3
POLS 3103	Introduction to Political Inquiry	3
POLS 4043	Global Political Economy	3
POLS 4903	Senior Capstone Seminar	3
Select 12 hours from:		12
POLS 2010	Topics in International Relations (I)	
POLS 2110	Topics in Comparative Politics (I)	
POLS 3033	International Law	
POLS 3053	Introduction to Central Asia Studies (IS)	
POLS 3123	Russian & Eurasian Politics (I)	
POLS 3143	European Politics (I)	
POLS 3163	African Politics (I)	
POLS 3193	Latin American Politics (IS)	
POLS 3223	Asian Politics	
POLS 3313	Middle Eastern Politics	
POLS 3893	Terrorism & Counterterrorism	
POLS 4010	Advanced Topics in International Relations	
POLS 4013	American Foreign Policy	
POLS 4020	Advanced Topics in Comparative Politics	
POLS 4113	International Organization	
POLS 4053	War And World Politics (I)	
Select 9 hours of upper-division courses. <sup>1</sup>		9
<b>Hours Subtotal</b>		<b>39</b>
<b>Electives</b>		
Select 28 hours. <sup>1</sup>		28
May need to include 6 hours of a foreign language (see note 3).		
May need to include 6 hours upper-division general education outside major department (see note 2.c.), and 10 additional upper-division hours.		
<b>Hours Subtotal</b>		<b>28</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>120</b>

<sup>1</sup>

With approval from the advisor and department head, a maximum of 30 hours from an accredited doctoral law program may be used for these areas.

## Other Requirements

- See the College of Arts and Sciences Requirements.
- Minimum 2.0 GPA in all POLS courses.
- **Upper-Division Credit:** Total hours must include at least 40 hours in courses numbered 3000 or above.

## College of Arts and Sciences Requirements

1. **Hours in One Department:** For B.A. and B.S. degrees, no more than 54 hours in one department may be required to meet degree requirements. Courses used to satisfy the General Education English Composition, U.S. History, American Government, and Mathematics or Statistics requirements will not count toward the 54-hour maximum required from one department.
2. **A&S College/Departmental Requirements**
  - a. Arts and Humanities are defined as any course carrying an (H) designation or courses from AMST, ART, DANC, ENGL (except ENGL 3323 Technical Writing) HIST, MUSI, PHIL (except PHIL 1313 Logic and Critical Thinking (A), PHIL 3003 Symbolic Logic (A) and PHIL 4003 Mathematical Logic and Computability), REL, TH, and foreign languages.
  - b. Natural and Mathematical Sciences are defined as any course from the following prefixes: ASTR, BIOC, BIOL, CHEM, CS (except CS 4883 Social Issues in Computing), GEOL, MATH, MICR, PBIO, PHYS, and STAT; or courses from other departments that carry an (A) or (N) general education designation.
  - c. Six upper-division hours are required from General Education or any CAS courses outside the student's major department (<http://catalog.okstate.edu/college-arts-sciences-major-departments/>). This requirement may be satisfied by courses also used to satisfy any part of a student's degree program (i.e., in General Education, College Departmental Requirements, Major Requirements or Electives).
  - d. Non-Western Studies Requirement for B.A. and B.F.A.; One course in Non-Western Studies (N.W.). This requirement may be satisfied by courses also used to satisfy any part of a student's degree program (i.e., in General Education, College Departmental Requirements, Major Requirements or Electives).
  - e. The College of Arts & Sciences requires a minimum 2.0 GPA in all major requirements and a minimum 2.0 GPA in all major-prefix courses applied to the degree.
3. **Foreign Language Proficiency**
  - a. The foreign language requirement for the B.A. may be satisfied by 9 hours college credit in the same language, which must include 3 hours at the 2000-level, or equivalent proficiency (e.g., passing an advanced standing examination; TOEFL exam; presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates the high school was primarily conducted in a language other than English; etc.). Computer Science courses may not be used to satisfy this requirement. Currently Arabic and Mvskoke are not offered at the 2000-level at OSU.
  - b. The foreign language requirement for the B.S., B.M. and B.F.A. may be satisfied by presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates two years of study of a single foreign language (passing grades at second-year level of study). It may also be satisfied by 6 hours college credit in the same language, which must include language courses 1713 and 1813, or equivalent proficiency (e.g., passing an advanced standing examination; TOEFL exam; presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates the high school was primarily conducted in a language other than English; etc.). Computer Science courses may not be used to satisfy this requirement.
  - c. In addition to a. and b., students pursuing teacher certification must meet novice-high foreign language proficiency by presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates two

years of study of a single foreign language with no grade below B. Or, students may complete 3 hours college credit in a single language with no grade below C (or pass an advanced standing examination, College Level Examination Program (CLEP) exam, or Oral Proficiency Interview developed by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, equivalent to 3 hours of college credit.) Or, students may meet the requirement by transfer of documentation of meeting the foreign language competency from one of the teacher education programs in the State of Oklahoma approved by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

4. **Exclusions.** Courses with ATHL or LEIS prefixes and leisure activity courses may not be used for degree credit.

## Additional State/OSU Requirements

- At least: 60 hours at a four-year institution; 30 hours completed at OSU; 15 of the final 30 or 50% of the upper-division hours in the major field completed at OSU.
- Limit of: one-half of major course requirements as transfer work; one-fourth of hours earned by correspondence; 8 transfer correspondence hours.
- Students will be held responsible for degree requirements in effect at the time of matriculation and any changes that are made, so long as these changes do not result in semester credit hours being added or do not delay graduation.
- Degrees that follow this plan must be completed by the end of Summer 2030.

## Example Plan of Study

### Finish in Four Plan of Study

The plan below is an **example** of how students can successfully complete degree requirements in four years. This suggested class schedule plan may be used as a guide and can be adjusted based on individual needs. Students are required to meet with an academic advisor prior to enrollment each semester to plan their class schedule, and students are ultimately responsible for completing all degree requirements.

Course	Title	Hours
<b>Freshman</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
MATH 1483 or MATH 1493 or MATH 1513 or STAT 2013 or STAT 2053	Mathematical Functions and Their Uses (A) or Applications of Modern Mathematics (A) or College Algebra (A) or Elementary Statistics (A) or Elementary Statistics for the Social Sciences (A)	3
POLS 1113	American Government	3
General Education courses		10
<b>Hours</b>		<b>16</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
POLS 2013 or POLS 2113	Introduction to International Relations (S) or Introduction to Comparative Politics (IS)	3
General Education courses		11
<b>Hours</b>		<b>14</b>
<b>Sophomore</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
POLS 2213	Fundamentals of Political Science	3
General Education courses		12
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
POLS 3103	Introduction to Political Inquiry	3

College and Elective courses	12
<b>Hours</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Junior</b>	
<b>Fall</b>	
Major, College, and Elective courses	15
<b>Hours</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>	
Major, College, and Elective courses	15
<b>Hours</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Senior</b>	
<b>Fall</b>	
Major, College, and Elective courses	15
<b>Hours</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>	
POLS 4903 Senior Capstone Seminar	3
Major, College, and Elective courses	12
<b>Hours</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>120</b>