## Political Science - Public Service

### Major Requirements

**Major: Political Science - Public Service Option**

*Degree Type: B.A. or B.S.*

*Required Degree Credits to Graduate: 122*

### Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences

#### Degree Requirements

- **Bachelor of Science (B.S.) Degree** – The completion of a minor program of study, a second major, or a second degree is required.

- **Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Degree** – Second year language proficiency at college level required.

### General Education Requirements

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<th>First Year Experience (F):</th>
<th>UNIV 189</th>
<th>Skills For Academic Success (Students transferring in 24 or more credits do not need to take UNIV 189.)</th>
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<td>Communication (C):</td>
<td>ENGL 110</td>
<td>College Composition I</td>
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<td>ENGL 120</td>
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<td>One Course in Upper Level Writing.</td>
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<td>Business and Professional Writing</td>
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<td>ENGL 321</td>
<td>Writing in the Technical Professions</td>
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<td>ENGL 358</td>
<td>Writing in the Humanities and Social Sciences</td>
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<td>ENGL 459</td>
<td>Researching and Writing Grants and Proposal</td>
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<td>COMM 110</td>
<td>Fundamentals of Public Speaking</td>
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<td>Quantitative Reasoning (R):</td>
<td>STAT 330</td>
<td>Introductory Statistics</td>
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<td>Science &amp; Technology (S):</td>
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<td>A one-credit lab must be taken as a co-requisite with a general education science/technology course unless the course includes an embedded lab experience equivalent to a one-credit course. Select from current general education list</td>
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<td>Humanities &amp; Fine Arts (A):</td>
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<td>Social &amp; Behavioral Sciences (B):</td>
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<td>or POLS 115</td>
<td>American Government</td>
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<td>Wellness (W): Select from current general education list</td>
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<td>Cultural Diversity (D): Select from current general education list</td>
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### Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences College Requirements

An additional 9 credits are required by the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences for all Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts degree programs of study, except the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree, the Bachelor of Music degree, Bachelor of Landscape Architecture degree, and the Bachelor of Science in Architecture degree:

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<td><strong>AH&amp;SS College Requirements</strong></td>
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<td>Courses used to satisfy any general education requirement cannot be used to also count toward the AH&amp;SS College Requirements. A minimum of three credits is required in each of the 3 following areas for a total of 9 credits. Choose only those courses with the prefixes listed for each area. A course with the WGS prefix can only be used in one area.</td>
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<td><strong>Area One: Humanities</strong></td>
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<td>ARB, ENGL, FREN, GERM, HIST, HUM, PHIL, RELS, SPAN, or WGS</td>
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<td><strong>Area Two: Social Sciences</strong></td>
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ANTH, CJ, COMM, EMGT, POLS, SOC, or WGS

Area Three: Fine Arts
ARCH, ART, ENVD, LA, MUSC, or THEA

Total Credits

9

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Pre-Political Science Requirements: Must complete the following 12 credits of pre-political science courses with an average GPA of 3.00.

- POLS 110: Introduction to Political Science
- or POLS 115: American Government
- POLS 220: International Politics
- or POLS 225: Comparative Politics
- POLS 240: Political Ideologies
- POL 100 or 200 level

Professional Major Requirements: Professional courses will require a minimum 3.0 GPA.

- POLS 215: Problems and Policies In American Government
- POLS 325: Applied Research Methods
- POLS 420: Political Behavior-Executive-Legislative Process
- POLS 422: State and Local Politics
- POLS 423: Public Policy Analysis
- POLS 430: Constitutional Law-Civil Liberties
- or POLS 431: Constitutional Law-Criminal Justice
- POLS 442: Global Policy Issues
- or POLS 444: International Law
- or POLS 446: Current Topics in International Law
- POLS 450: Politics of the Developing Countries
- or POLS 451: Politics of the Industrialized Countries
- or POLS 452: Comparative Political Economy
- POLS 489: Senior Seminar
- POLS 496: Field Experience

Supplemental Requirements: Pre-requisites apply to all courses. Select 5 courses from the following:

- ACCT 200: Elements of Accounting I
- ACCT 201: Elements of Accounting II
- MGMT 320: Foundations of Management
- COMM 383: Organizational Communication I
- ECON 202: Principles of Macroeconomics
- EMGT 101: Emergencies, Disasters, and Catastrophes
- ENGL 320: Business and Professional Writing
- SOC 115: Social Problems
- HDFS 353: Children, Families and Public Policy

Degree Requirements: Potential of 9 credits to reach 122

Total Credits

122

### Degree Requirements and Notes

- Students should refer to www.ndsu.edu/cjps for information regarding application to professional program.
- The department will review applications on a rolling basis. Student must apply to be a major or minor no later than the first day of classes of the semester in which they intend to graduate.
- To apply, a student must have completed a minimum of 36 credit hours and achieve a minimum GPA of 3.0 in the pre-political science courses and 2.75 overall in NDSU coursework.
- Once admitted to the professional political science program, failure to maintain a minimum GPA of 3.00 in the professional political science courses and a cumulative 2.75 in all coursework will result in an academic warning issued by the department for the first violation. Students will receive
notification of this warning at their NDSU email address. Failure to return to these minimum standards will result in being administratively removed from the program.

- Internal and external transfer students will be handled similarly to students who commence their studies in the pre-professional program.
- Students who entered the University and declared political science as their major prior to fall 2012 will be grandfathered into the program and will not be subject to these guidelines.
- These guidelines apply for all majors and minors of political science.