

Fiscal Unit/Academic Org Political Science - D0755
Administering College/Academic Group Arts and Sciences
Co-administering College/Academic Group Arts and Sciences
Semester Conversion Designation New Program/Plan
Proposed Program/Plan Name Political Science
Type of Program/Plan Undergraduate bachelors degree program or major
Program/Plan Code Abbreviation POLITSC
Proposed Degree Title Bachelor of Science

Credit Hour Explanation

Program credit hour requirements		A) Number of credit hours in current program (Quarter credit hours)	B) Calculated result for 2/3rds of current (Semester credit hours)	C) Number of credit hours required for proposed program (Semester credit hours)	D) Change in credit hours
Total minimum credit hours required for completion of program				33	
Required credit hours offered by the unit	Minimum			27	
	Maximum			33	
Required credit hours offered outside of the unit	Minimum			0	
	Maximum			6	
Required prerequisite credit hours not included above	Minimum			0	
	Maximum			3	

Program Learning Goals

Note: these are required for all undergraduate degree programs and majors now, and will be required for all graduate and professional degree programs in 2012. Nonetheless, all programs are encouraged to complete these now.

- Program Learning Goals**
- Students acquire a fundamental understanding of the theories, research methods, and substantive issues that guide the study of politics.
 - Students gain basic knowledge across the four major fields of political science: American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations, and Political Theory.
 - Students develop deeper knowledge of the scholarly literature in one of the four major fields.
 - Students become familiar with the analytic and critical thinking skills that are needed to rigorously evaluate competing arguments and to appraise value-based claims.

Assessment

Assessment plan includes student learning goals, how those goals are evaluated, and how the information collected is used to improve student learning. An assessment plan is required for undergraduate majors and degrees. Graduate and professional degree programs are encouraged to complete this now, but will not be required to do so until 2012.

Is this a degree program (undergraduate, graduate, or professional) or major proposal? Yes

Does the degree program or major have an assessment plan on file with the university Office of Academic Affairs? No

DIRECT MEASURES (means of assessment that measure performance directly, are authentic and minimize mitigating or intervening factors)

Classroom assignments

- Embedded testing (i.e. specific questions in homework or exams that allow faculty to assess students' attainments of a specific learning goal)
- Pre- and post-testing
- Other classroom assessment methods (e.g., writing assignments, oral presentations, oral exams)

INDIRECT MEASURES (means of assessment that are related to direct measures but are steps removed from those measures)**Surveys and Interviews**

- Student survey
- Alumni survey
- Student evaluation of instruction

Additional types of indirect evidence

- Job or post-baccalaureate education placement
- Student or alumni honors/recognition achieved
- Curriculum or syllabus review

USE OF DATA (how the program uses or will use the evaluation data to make evidence-based improvements to the program periodically)

- Meet with students directly to discuss their performance
- Analyze and discuss trends with the unit's faculty
- Analyze and report to college/school
- Make improvements in curricular requirements (e.g., add, subtract courses)
- Make improvements in course content
- Make improvements in course delivery and learning activities within courses
- Periodically confirm that current curriculum and courses are facilitating student attainment of program goals

Program Specializations/Sub-Plans

If you do not specify a program specialization/sub-plan it will be assumed you are submitting this program for all program specializations/sub-plans.

Pre-Major**Does this Program have a Pre-Major? Yes**

Students must complete one of the following courses prior to declaring the major.

- 1) POLITSC 1100 -- Introduction to American Politics
- 2) POLITSC 1200 -- Introduction to Comparative Politics
- 3) POLITSC 1300 -- Global Politics
- 4) POLITSC 1165 -- Introduction to Politics
- 5) POLITSC 2150 -- Voters and Elections
- 6) POLITSC 2300 -- American Foreign Policy
- 7) POLITSC 2400 -- Introduction to Political Theory

Attachments

- Poli Sci BS Proposal Final.pdf: Program proposal

(Program Proposal. Owner: Smith, Charles William)

- Weary_Manderschied support ltr BS PoliSci_BA World Politics.pdf: Letter from the College

(Letter from the College to OAA. Owner: Smith, Charles William)

Comments

Workflow Information

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