Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science in Political Science

The Department of Political Science offers a program leading to a bachelor of science (BS) or a bachelor of arts (BA) degree. This program is designed to

1. provide students with substantive expertise in political institutions, key policy issues, salient ideologies, law and regulation, and political identities in local, national, and global contexts
2. prepare students for graduate work or professional careers in law, business, government, teaching, journalism, social activism, or the academic community

Bachelor of Arts Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Two 100-level courses		8
Two 200-level courses		8
Course in political theory (any level) [1]		4
Two 400-level courses [2]		8
Additional upper-division courses [3,4]		20
Total Credits		**48**

1. Political theory courses are indicated by a footnote in the Class Schedule.
2. A minimum of two 400-level courses numbered 407, 410, or 412–499 are required.
3. If the political theory course is upper-division, the total number of additional upper-division credits needed will total 20. If it is lower-division, the total number of additional upper-division credits needed will total 24.
4. A minimum of 20 upper-division credits must be completed in residence at the University of Oregon.

Additional Requirements

The 48 credits that satisfy major requirements must be taken for letter grades and passed with C– or better with the exception that one course (as many as 4 credits) may be taken pass/no pass (P/N). Courses such as Thesis (PS 403) and Honors Thesis Prospectus (PS 411) are offered pass/no pass only and may be applied to the 48 credits. Credits earned in Terminal Project (PS 409) may not be applied to the major.

No more than a total of 16 credits in Research: [Topic] (PS 401), Thesis (PS 403), Internship: [Topic] (PS 404), Reading and Conference: [Topic] (PS 405), Workshop: [Topic] (PS 408), Honors Thesis Prospectus (PS 411), and Overseas Study: Internships (OINT 488) may be applied toward the 48-credit requirement. Overseas Study: Internships (OINT 488) is subject to preapproval by the political science department.

No more than 8 credits of Internship: [Topic] (PS 404) or Overseas Study: Internships (OINT 488) may be applied toward the 48 credits. This work must be done under the direction of a faculty member who, prior to registration, must approve and set up academic criteria to evaluate the work. Credit for these courses must be earned at the University of Oregon.

UO bachelor's degree requirements also apply.

Bachelor of Science Degree Requirements

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