

University of California, Riverside
Department of Political Science

Requirements for the BA degree in
Political Science

Completion of the following course requirements will satisfy the major requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science. **ALL MAJOR COURSES MUST BE TAKEN FOR LETTER GRADES, SATISFACTORY/NO CREDIT (S/NC) NOT ALLOWED.**

POSC (52-60 units)

Lower-Division Requirements* (16-20 units)

POSC 005(W*), 005H, or POSC 007(W*)
 Political Ideologies or Introduction to Political Theory (5 units)

POSC 010(W) or 010H _____
 American Politics (5 units)

POSC 015, 015H or POSC 017 (5 units) _____
 Comparative Politics or Politics of the Underdeveloped World

POSC 020 or 020H _____
 World Politics (5 units)

(*Students must complete two of the four lower division POSC courses with "C" or better. Writing Across the Curriculum courses (WAC) require ENGL 007: Writing Workshop enrollment.)

Upper-Division Requirements
 (9 courses, at least 36 units)

Complete at least ONE course from each of the following areas:

U.S. Government & Politics:

POSC 100, 101, 104 or 104S, 108,
 143 or 143S, 144 or 144S, 145, 146,
 148 or 148H or 148S, 149,
 166, 167, 168, 170, 171, _____
 173 or 173S, 180 or 180S,
 181, 182E, 183E, 184 or 184S, 186

Comparative Government & Politics:

POSC 102 or 102S, POSC 109/RLST 173,
 120, 151 or 151S, 152, 153, 154, 155 or
 155S, 156, 157 or 157S, POSC158/LNST148,
 159 or 159S, 160 or 160S, _____
 POSC161/LNST188,
 POSC 162/LNST 142 or 162S/LNST 142S,
 163 or 163S, 164 or 164S,
 165 or 165S, 178 or 178S, 188 or 188S

International Relations & Foreign Policy:

POSC 123, 124 or 124S, 125, 126 or 126S,
 POSC 127/SEHE 127 or 127S/SEHE 127S,
 128, 129, 130, 132 or 132S,
 134 or 134S, 135, 136 or 136S,
 POSC 137/SEHE 137 or 137S/SEHE 137S,
 138 or 138S, 139 or 139S, 147 or 147S,
 150 or 150S, 169, 182F or 182G, 183F _____

Political Theory:

POSC 106/SEHE 136 or 106S/SEHE 136S,
 107, 110 or 110S, 111 or 111S,
 112 or 112S, 113, 115 or 115S, 116 or 116S,
 117 or 117S, 119,
 POSC 121(S)/CLA 121(S)/CPAC 121(S),
 122 or 122S _____

Note: POSC 114(S)(L) DOES NOT satisfy the upper division theory requirement and applies to additional area only!

Choose FIVE additional courses in Political Science

(No more than 2 courses from the POSC 190, POSC 142L, or POSC 142M series are allowed.) NOTE: POSC 198I: Individual Internship (Prerequisite: GPA of 2.70 or better.)

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Department Recommendation: a course in statistics (Optional). **Note: STAT 004 or *STAT 008.**

*Please visit the classes.ucr.edu website or view the UCR General Catalog for a complete list of prerequisite courses to determine eligibility for course enrollment. UCR Catalog, <https://registrar.ucr.edu/registering/catalog> .

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Students must complete 180-quarter units including Breadth, Lower-division, and Upper-division requirements. Both a CUM and Major GPA (Average of all Upper-division major courses) must be a 2.0 or higher to clear for graduation.