

Political Science - Peace and Justice Studies Emphasis, B.S.

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Requirements

Political science enjoys a central position among the social sciences. Aristotle characterized politics as the “queen of the sciences.” It is a broad discipline that encompasses philosophical, historical and analytical studies of governments, politics and policies. Political science students learn not only the concepts, theories and methods associated with the discipline, but also gain the cognitive and presentational skills required of tomorrow’s public and private leaders. At its core, politics is about building and maintaining communities at the local, state, national and international levels that enable citizens to live enriching and fulfilling lives. Political science students develop not only an understanding of those communities, but also the ability to influence them.

Total Program Credits: 120

General Education Requirements:		35 Credits
	ENGL 1010 Introduction to Academic Writing CC	3
or	ENGL 1010 Literacies and Composition Across Contexts CC (5)	
	ENGL 2010 Intermediate Academic Writing CC	3
Complete one of the following:		3
	MAT 1030 Quantitative Reasoning QL (3) (recommended)	
	MAT 1035 Quantitative Reasoning with Integrated Algebra QL (6) (recommended)	
	STAT 1040 Introduction to Statistics QL (3)	
	STAT 1045 Introduction to Statistics with Algebra QL (5)	
	MATH 1050 College Algebra QL (4) (recommended for business, Education, Science, and Health Professions majors)	
	MATH 1055 College Algebra with Preliminaries QL (5)	
Complete one of the following:		3
	HIST 1700 American Civilization AS (3)	
	HIST 2700 US History to 1877 AS (3)	
and	HIST 2710 US History since 1877 AS (3)	
	HIST 1740 US Economic History AS (3)	
	POLS 1000 American Heritage SS (3)	
Complete the following:		
	PHIL 2050 Ethics and Values IH	3
	HLTH 1100 Personal Health and Wellness TE (2)	
or	EXSC 1097 Fitness for Life TE	2
Distribution Courses:		
	Biology	3
	Physical Science	3
	Additional Biology or Physical Science	3
	Humanities	3
	Fine Arts	3

Social/Behavioral Science		3
Discipline Core Requirements:		30 Credits
POLS 1100	American National Government AS	3
POLS 2100	Introduction to International Relations SS	3
POLS 2200	Introduction to Comparative Politics SS	3
POLS 230G	Introduction to Political Theory GI	3
POLS 3000	Political Analysis	3
POLS 4990	Senior Seminar WE (3)	
or	POLS 480R Internship WE	3
or	PJST 4900 Peace and Justice Studies Capstone WE (3)	
Quantitative Requirement		
POLS 3010	Political Analysis II	3
Complete 9 credits from the following courses:		9
POLS 3020	Public Program Analysis (3)	
POLS 3040	Survey Research and Design Methods (3)	
POLS 3050	Experimental Methods in Political Science (3)	
POLS 3060	Qualitative Analysis (3)	
POLS 3070	Policy Analysis (3)	
Elective Requirements:		25 Credits
Any courses numbered 1000 or higher. (3 credit hours must be upper division (3000-4000 level courses))		25
Emphasis Requirements:		30 Credits
PJST 3000	Introduction to Peace and Justice Studies WE	3
PJST 3400	Conflict Transformation Resolution and Sustainable Peace	3
Complete 12 credits from the following courses:		12
CNST 4795	Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (3)	
PJST 3020	The Ethics of War and Peace (3)	
PJST 3030	The Scientific Study of War and Peace (3)	
PJST 3040	Peace in Historical Context (3)	
PJST 3100	Introduction to Human Security (3)	
PJST 3200	Global Poverty Facts Causes and Solutions (3)	
PJST 3300	Community Development (3)	
PJST 4200	Advanced Poverty Studies:Global Problems and Policies (3)	
PJST 4300	Race Gender and Class in Peace and Justice (3)	
PJST 475R	Issues in Peace and Justice Studies (3)	
POLS 3100	Survey of International Terrorism (3)	
POLS 3650	Model United Nations (3)	
POLS 4500	International Conflict and Security (3)	

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	SOC 3460	Political Sociology (3)	
	Complete any 12 elective credits (at least 4 credits must be upper division, and at least 3 credits must be a POLS Writing Enriched course)		12

Graduation Requirements:

1. Completion of a minimum of 120 or more semester credits, 40 credits must be upper-division.
2. Overall grade point average of 2.0 (C) or above, with no POLS course grade below C-.
3. Residency hours: minimum of 30 credit hours through course attendance at UVU, with at least 10 hours earned in the last 45 hours.
4. Completion of GE and specified departmental requirements.
5. Successful completion of at least one Global/Intercultural course.

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Graduation Plan**

This graduation plan is a sample plan and is intended to be a guide. Your specific plan may differ based on your Math and English placement and/or transfer credits applied. You are encouraged to meet with an advisor and set up an individualized graduation plan in [Wolverine Track](#).

Semester 1	Course Title	Credit Hours
ENGL 1010 or ENGH 1005	Introduction to Academic Writing CC or Literacies and Composition Across Context CC	3
POLS 1100	American National Government AS	3
HLTH 1100 or EXSC 1097	Personal Health & Wellness TE or Fitness for Life TE	2
Fine Arts		3
Lower-Div Elective		3
Lower-Div Elective		3
Semester total:		17
Semester 2	Course Title	Credit Hours
ENGL 2010	Intermediate Academic Writing CC	3
MAT 1030	Quantitative Reasoning QL	3
American Institutions		3
Humanities		3
POLS 2100	Introduction to International Relations SS	3
Semester total:		15
Semester 3	Course Title	Credit Hours
PHIL 2050	Ethics & Values IH	3
Biology		3
Physical Science		3
Social/Behavioral Science		3
POLS 230G	Introduction to Political Theory GI	3
Semester total:		15
Semester 4	Course Title	Credit Hours
Biological/Physical Science		3
POLS 2200	Introduction to Comparative Politics SS	3
POLS 3310	Introduction to Public Policy WE	3
Lower-Div Elective		3
Lower-Div Elective		3
Semester total:		15
Semester 5	Course Title	Credit Hours
POLS 3250	Introduction to Law and Politics	3
PJST 3000	Introduction to Peace and Justice Studies WE	3
POLS 3000	Political Analysis	3
POLS 3300	Introduction to Public Administration	3
Lower-Div Elective		3

Semester total:		15
Semester 6	Course Title	Credit Hours
Quantitative Requirement		3
POLS 3010	Political Analysis II	3
PJST 3400	Conflict Transformation: Resolution and Sustainable Peace	3
POLS Concentration		3
Upper-Div. Elective		3
Semester total:		15
Semester 7	Course Title	Credit Hours
Quantitative Requirement		3
POLS Concentration		3
POLS Concentration		3
POLS Concentration		3
Lower-Div Elective		3
Semester total:		15
Semester 8	Course Title	Credit Hours
Quantitative Requirement		3
POLS 480R/4990	Internship WE or Senior Seminar WE	3
PJST 4900	Peace and Justice Studies Capstone WE	3
Lower-Div Elective		4
Semester total:		13
Degree total:		120