

2026-2027 Political Science BA/BS Degree Plan



Student name: _____ UMID: _____ Date: _____
 Advisor name: _____ Concentration: **None**

The Purpose of General Education is to Gain:

- Knowledge of Human Cultures and the Physical and Natural World
- Intellectual and Practical Skills
- Personal and Social Responsibility
- Integrative and Applied Learning

Key Courses For General Education (50 hours)

- First Year Experience (3)**
 Choose: UM 101 or HNRS 101 3 _____
1. **Written Composition (6)**
 Choose: ENG 101 or 103. 3 _____
 Choose: ENG 102 or 104. 3 _____
2. **Humanities & Fine Arts (18)**
 Choose one: ENG 231, 233, 232 or 234.* 3 _____
 *Students must complete a six-hour sequence in either History or Literature. Students may complete both sequences.
 Choose: COMS 101 or 102. 3 _____
 Choose one Fine Arts: ART 100, 120, 220; MC 100, 325; MUS 121 or 122, 125, 211, 240, 255, 342; THEA 120 or 122, 123. 3 _____
 Choose one Humanities: AAS 200; ASL 101, 102, 201, 202; ENG 231 or 233, 232 or 234; FRN 101, 102, 150, 201, 202, 250; SPN 101 or 103, 102 or 104, 150, 201, 202, 250; GER 101, 102, 201, 202; PHIL 110 or 111, 180, 220 or 221, 230, 280, 290; REL 110. 3 _____
 Choose two of the following (not used above):
 AAS 200; ASL 101, 102, 201, 202; ART 100, 120, 220; ENG 231 or 233, 232 or 234; FRN 101, 102, 150, 201, 202, 250; SPN 101 or 103; 102 or 104, 150, 201, 202, 250; GER 101, 102, 201, 202; MC 100, 325; MUS 121 or 122, 125, 211, 240, 255, 342; PHIL 110 or 111, 180, 220 or 221, 230, 280, 290; REL 110; THEA 120 or 122, 123. 3 _____
3. **Natural Sciences & Mathematics (11)**
 Choose one lab science from two different disciplines:
 BIO 100, 105-107; CHEM 100-102, 121, 122; 4 _____
 ESCI 100; GEOL 110, 115; PHYS 100 or higher. 4 _____
 Choose: MATH 147 or 154 (or MATH 144 or higher). 3 _____
4. **History, Social & Behavioral Sciences (12)**
 Political Science majors must complete the six-hour sequence in History. Students may also complete the Literature sequence.
 Choose: HIST 101 or 103. 3 _____
 Choose: HIST 102 or 104. 3 _____
 Choose: POS 200. 3 **
 Choose one of the following not used above:
 EC 231, 232; GEOG 231; POS 250; 3 _____
 PSYC 201/202; SOC 101 or 102; SWK 203, 260, 322.
5. **Personal Development (3)**
 Choose one of the following: ART 250, 255; 3 _____
 COMS 141; CS 161; ED 447; ENG 261 ; ES 200; EXNS 120, 281; MATH 261; MIS 161; MUS 228; PJS 200.

**Indicates requirement is satisfied in major course requirements.

Additional Requirements for Degree (7-12 hours)

Choose and complete only **one** requirement below:

Bachelor of Science Requirements (7)

Choose additional 7 hours in mathematics and/or science not used toward requirement #3 above.

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Bachelor of Arts Requirements (up to 12 hours)

Students must complete either:

- the second-year course sequence in ASL, FRN, GER, or SPN.
- OR the first-year course sequence in two different languages.

Other options to complete the BA requirements are found in the Bulletin.

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Major Course Requirements (30 hours)

- POS 200 (American National Government) 3 _____
 POS 300 (Introduction to Political Science) 3 _____
 POS 370 (Research Methods in Social Sciences) 3 _____
 POS 455 (International Relations) 3 _____
 POS 475 (Constitutional Law) 3 _____
 POS 499 (Political Science Senior Seminar) 3 _____
 POS Elective 3 _____
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 Choose one of the following: 3 _____
 POS 444 (Public Policy)
 POS 446 (Social Policy)
 POS 447 (The Politics of Sin)
 POS 448 (Environmental Policy)

Students who are planning to seek teaching certification should contact the Graduate Program for information on the Alt. Master's program or PCTF.

General Electives (28-33 hours)

Minor Course Requirements (Optional)

Title: _____ Hrs. Req. _____

GENERAL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

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| 1. 50% of crs in major area at UM | 5. 45 hr limit of non-traditional credit |
| 2. 30 hrs 300/400 at UM | 6. 6-hr sequence in history or literature |
| 3. 30 of last 40 hours at UM | 7. Capstone experience within major |
| 4. 60 hr limit from 2-year school | 8. 2.0 or higher UM GPA and in all major and minor areas |

Total Hours Required: 120
 Total Hours Completed to Date: _____
 Hours Remaining for Completion: _____
 Hours Currently Registered: _____
 Hours Remaining: _____

For planning only. Refer to Degree Works for official degree evaluation.