POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR
BACHELOR OF ARTS
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

**Required Courses**

PSC 1013  American National Government *(or)*
PSC 1263  America National Government Honors
PSC 1023  State and Local Government
PSC 2043  Comparative Government *(or)* Global Politics *
PSC 4223  American Presidency
PSC 4303  (WI) Research Methods

*Since Fall, 2016, Global Politics is the required course. Students enrolled at HSU prior to Fall, 2016 may take either course.

**Directed Political Science Elective Courses**

In addition to the 15 hour core of required political science courses, political science majors must further take 18 hours of directed political science elective courses. Nine of these hours comprise the Subfield requirement. Students must take one three credit course in each of the three subfields of Political Science. The remaining nine credits can be any other Political Science course not already used to satisfy a requirement. For course availability, consult the Social Sciences Department semester course rotation pamphlet and the current Henderson undergraduate catalogue.

**Foreign Language Requirement**

Students must complete six hours in intermediate level or above of a principal modern foreign language.

**Liberal Arts Core Courses**

Political Science majors must satisfy the University’s liberal arts core requirements, as stipulated in the Henderson undergraduate catalogue.

**Minor**

Students majoring in political science must also complete the requirements for a minor in another field of study.

**NOTE**

All Henderson undergraduate students must complete at least one writing intensive (WI) course in the major to be eligible for graduation. Research Methods (PSC 4303) is the writing intensive course for all PSC majors.

See catalog course descriptions for Arkansas Course Transfer System (ACTS) course number equivalencies.
Major in Political Science (Course Check Sheet)

Required Courses (15 Hours):

- PSC 1013 American National Government ................................................................. (or)
- PSC 1263 American National Government Honors ......................................................... 3
- PSC 1023 State and Local Government ...........................................................................
- PSC 2193 Global Politics ................................................................................................ 3
- PSC 4223 The American Presidency ................................................................................ 3
- PSC 4303 (WI) Research Methods .................................................................................. 3

TOTAL: ................................................................................................................................. 15 Hrs.

Subfield Requirements (9 Hours): Select any one class from each of the following subfields.

Subfield A: American Government/Public Administration: Course ___________ 3 Hrs

- PSC 3033 Political Parties and Interest Groups
- PSC 3113 Legislative Process
- PSC 3143 Municipal Government
- PSC 4203 Popular Culture and American Politics
- PSC 4063 Public Administration
- PSC 4133 Political Behavior
- PSC 4163 Public Policy

Subfield B: Comparative Politics/International Relations: Course_____________ 3 Hrs.

- PSC 2043 Comparative Government
- PSC 3353 Contemporary U. S./Eurasian Relations
- PSC 4093 International Relations
- PSC 4103 American Foreign Policy
- PSC 4233 Comparative Politics in the Middle East
- PSC 4243 Comparative Politics in Africa
- PSC 4253 South Asian Politics

Subfield C: Political Theory/Law: Course_______________________________ 3 Hrs.

- PSC 3213 Judicial Politics
- PSC 4053 American Constitutional Development
- PSC 4073 Social and Political Theory
- PSC 4173 Rights, Freedoms and Justice

Total Subfield Requirements ........................................................................................................ 9 Hrs.

Directed Electives (9 Hours): Select any three unused courses listed above/below.

Other Options: PSC 4123 (Internship); PSC 4083 (Special Topics)

Directed Elective Courses Selected:______________________________________________ 9 Hrs.

Total Hours for Major: ........................................................................................................ 33 Hrs.

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