

Department of Political Science
Campaigning and Governing in American Politics Concentration Plan of Study (2025-2026)

MAJOR COURSES

Requirement A

A minimum of 11 credits in POLS 1000-level courses. It's recommended these courses be taken during the first two years.

1. Nine credits from the following subdivisions, **with American Politics course required**:

Theory (1002), Comparative Politics (1202 or 1207), International Relations (1402/W), American Politics (1602/W)

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2. Two credits from POLS 1301 (Career Development for POLS) and 1386 (Introduction to POLS Research Methods)

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Requirement B

A minimum of 24 credits in POLS at the 2000-level or above from the following four areas (B1-4):

1. At least one course in two of the following six subdivisions (SD) (for a total of six credits).

Theory: 2002, 2012, 2017, 2023, 2062/W, 3019W, 3022W, 3025, 3027W, 3032, 3040, 3042, 3062, 3072, 3082

Comparative Politics: 2208WE, 2214, 2221/W, 2222, 2235, 2245, 2252, 3202/W, 3203, 3205, 3206, 3209E, 3212, 3216, 3228, 3249, 3250/W, 3256W

International Relations: 2429, 2450, 2460E, 3402, 3406/W, 3408, 3410, 3412, 3413/W, 3414, 3418/W, 3426, 3428, 3430, 3434W, 3437, 3440, 3442, 3450, 3462, 3464/W

Public Administration, Policy and Law: 2062/W, 2803W, 2807/W, 2827W, 3627, 3628, 3802, 3807, 3812, 3815, 3817, 3822/W, 3827, 3832, 3834, 3842, 3857

Intersectional Indigeneity, Race, Ethnicity, and Politics: 2019W, 2252, 2602W, 2807, 3027W, 3082, 3216, 3249, 3418/W, 3440, 3464/W, 3632/W, 3633, 3642, 3647, 3652, 3662, 3667, 3670, 3672, 3834

Methodology: 2973Q

SD:	SD:
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2. Two required courses (for a total of six credits)

- a. POLS 2972Q
b. POLS 3991

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3. At least four American Politics courses from the following groups (GR) (for a total of 12 credits).

- a. One course from **Group 1: National Politics:** 3603WQ, 3604, 3613
b. One course from **Group 2: Connecticut and State and Local Politics :** 2622, 3627, 3628
c. One course from **Group 3: Political Institutions, Processes, Behavior, and Analytics:** 2607/W, 3606, 3608, 3612, 3625/W, 3675
d. One course from Group 1 or Group 2 or Group 3

GR1	GR2	GR3	GR1/2/3
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4. At least one W course **within** the 24 major credits.

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Check to see which subdivisions your POLS 2998/Ws have fulfilled.

RELATED COURSES

At least 12 credits in courses related to POLS taken from one or more other departments. These courses must be at the 2000-level or above. All 2000-level or above courses in ANTH, ECON, GEOG, HIST, HRTS, PHIL, PP, and SOCI will meet this requirement. Any course within these departments that is cross-listed with POLS will count towards the major and not as a related. Certain other courses have been approved as relateds and are listed on the [Department of Political Science's website](#). Courses not in the departments listed above or included on the pre-approved list may be approved as relateds at the discretion of the advisor.

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NOTES

- In order to fulfill requirements, all courses must be taken as graded (not P/F).
- A W or Q may be substituted for the same numbered course.
- POLS courses that are listed under multiple groups/subdivisions may only be used to fulfill one group/subdivision.
- All POLS 2995, 2998/W, and 3995 courses may apply to the concentration and may count towards Requirement B1. The groups/subdivisions assigned to these courses can be found on the [Department of Political Science website](#).
- No more than six credits of 3999: Independent Study, 4894: Colloquium, 2996/3996: Directed Research, and/or 3991: Supervised Field Work can be counted toward the 24 credits. Of those six, only three may be from 3991.
- POLS 3993, 3999, 4994, and 4997W may not be counted towards any requirement.