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B.S. in Political Science **Description**

The B.S. in Political Science is a more technical and quantitative degree than the B.A. in Political Science. While both degrees provide strong grounding in core knowledge, the B.S. degree will prepare students for more empirically demanding areas of employment in fields such as business, big data, marketing, campaign work, and sectors of law

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 120

Course Requirements

The B.S. in Political Science will require 42 hours of course work, including POL 101, POL 102, POL 103, POL 251, POL 352, and 27 additional Political Science hours.

Students may choose from the following optional emphasis areas by completing at least four courses from an emphasis area. At the discretion of the department chair or undergraduate academic adviser, Study Abroad (Pol 380), Internships (Pol 389), Senior Seminars (Pol 401, Pol 421, Pol 431), and Special Topics (Pol 398) courses can count toward an emphasis area if the content is appropriate to the emphasis.

Campaigns and Elections

- Pol 308. Voting and Political Participation
- Pol 309. Public Opinion and Political Psychology
- Pol 310. Political Parties and Interest Groups
- Pol 311. Political Communication
- Pol 391. Applied Politics

International Conflict and Cooperation

- Pol 331. International Organization
- Pol 332. Ethnic Conflict and International Terror
- Pol 335. Intl. Politics of Nuclear Weapons
- Pol 334. Politics of World Economy
- Pol 339. International Conflict
- Pol 363. War in World Politics

Politics of Developing Countries

- Pol 321. Politics of Latin America
- Pol 324. Politics of China
- Pol 329. Transitions to Democracy
- Pol 336. Political Economy of International Development
- Pol 337. Asia in World Affairs
- Pol 342. Politics of Mexico and Central America
- Pol 349. Middle East Politics
- Pol 387. Political Economy of East Asia

Law and Courts

- Pol 300. Judicial Process
- Pol 304. American Legislative Process
- Pol 305. Judicial Behavior
- Pol 306. Constitutional Law I
- Pol 307. Constitutional Law II

Other Academic Requirements

Students must also complete a MATH course at the 100 level or above except for MATH 245 and 246. At least 21 hours must be in non-Z-graded courses at the 300 level or above. Grades lower than C in political science courses will not be counted toward the political science major or minor.

18 hours of related subjects will be required. These will be selected from Computer science, economics, mathematics, sociology, psychology.

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The academic regulations for this degree program, as entered in the University of Mississippi Catalog, are in effect for the current or selected academic year and semester. The University of Mississippi reserves the right to 1) change or withdraw courses; 2) change rules for registration, instruction, and graduation; and 3) change other regulations affecting the student body at any time.



General Education

REQUIREMENT	HOURS	DESCRIPTION
First Year Writing I	3	Complete Hon 101 , Writ 100 or Writ 101 with a passing grade.
First Year Writing II	3	Complete one of the following courses with a passing grade: Liba 102 , Writ 102 or Hon 102 .
3 hrs fine arts	3	The course may be chosen from art history, music, dance, and theatre arts. Studio and workshop courses cannot be used to satisfy this requirement. Courses that satisfy this requirement are any Art History (AH); Liba 130 , 204 , 314 ; Mus 101 , 102 , 103 , 104 , 105 ; Danc 200 ; Thea 201 , 202 . Students who have completed 30 semester hours of undergraduate course work may fulfill the requirement with a 300- or 400-level art history course.
6 hrs literature survey	6	Complete 6 hours of literature survey with a passing grade. Choose from the following courses: Eng 220 , 221 , 222 , 223 , 224 , 225 , or Eng 226 .
6 hrs modern/ancient language 200+	6	Successfully complete at least 6 hours at the 200 level or above in one modern or ancient language.
6 hrs social science	6	Successfully complete 6 semester hours in anthropology, economics, political science, psychology, or sociology.
6 hrs social science/humanities	6	Complete 6 hours of additional social science or humanities coursework. The courses may be chosen from African American studies, anthropology, classical civilization, economics, gender studies, history, Liba 202 , philosophy, political science, psychology, religious studies, Rhet 201 , sociology, and Southern studies.
6 hrs science	6	Successfully complete 2 courses of laboratory science.
2 science labs	8	Successfully complete at least two science laboratory courses.

General Education II

REQUIREMENT	HOURS	DESCRIPTION
3 hrs math 100+	3	Successfully complete 3 hours of Math at the 100 level or above except for Math 245 and Math 246 .
18 hrs Related subjects	18	Complete 18 hrs of related subjects chosen from Computer science, economics, mathematics, sociology, psychology.
Related subject GPA		
Related subjects residence	6	Students must complete at least 6 of the required 18 hours of related subject course work in residence.
Related subjects residence GPA		

Major Requirements

REQUIREMENT	HOURS	DESCRIPTION
Pol 101	3	Complete Pol Sci 101 with a grade of C or better.
Pol 102	3	Complete Pol 102 with a grade of C or better.
Pol 103	3	Complete Pol 103 with a grade of C or better.
Pol 251	3	Complete Pol 251 with a grade of C or better.
Pol 352	3	Complete Pol 352 with a grade of C or better.
27 add'l Pol courses	27	Complete an additional 27 hours of Political Science courses with a grade of C or better.

