


## UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM CHANGE MEMO

Date: February 20, 2024

From: Political Science & Public Administration

Through: Gaspare Genna, **Department Chair** 

Through: **Selfa Chew-Melendez**, Liberal Arts Curriculum Committee Chair

To: Anadeli Bencomo, **Dean, College of Liberal Arts**

Proposal Title: Addition of POLS 3300 and Subsequent Degree Plan Changes

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This proposal will change our required research methods course from 6 to 3 credit hours. This means we must propose a new course, POLS 3300, deactivate POLS 3600, and edit our degree plan to represent these changes. As newer faculty have entered the department, research methods have become more likely to be included in substantive classes, reducing the need of 6 hours of methods training in one structured course. This change will also allow both our major and minor students to take an additional substantive course.

## COURSE ADD

All fields below are required

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College : Liberal Arts

Department : Political Science & Public Administration

Effective Term : Fall 25

Rationale for adding the course:

POLS 3300 - Research in Political Science will be replacing POLS 3600.

All fields below are required

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Subject Prefix and # POLS 3300

Title (29 characters or fewer): Research in Political Science

Dept. Administrative Code : 2340

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Departmental Approval Required  Yes  No

Course Level  UG  GR  DR  SP

Course will be taught:  Face-to-Face  Online  Hybrid

Course minimum grade: if N leave blank, if Y provide grade 0

- How many times may course be repeated to satisfy minimum grade requirement? 3

How many times may the course be taken for credit? (Please indicate 1-9 times): 1

Should the course be exempt from the "Three Repeat Rule?"  Yes  No

Grading Mode:  Standard  Pass/Fail  Audit

Description and 2-3 keywords (600 characters maximum):

*(Keywords are for Facilitation of course searches and should be words not already included in course title or description)*

Help students learn how to carry out research and write papers in political science, and to provide professional training and similar experiential learning opportunities. Topics include the scientific method, research design, data sources and management, statistics, and qualitative methods. The course introduces appropriate formats for papers in the discipline and reinforces writing skills.

Contact Hours (per week): 3 Lecture Hours Lab Hours Other

Types of Instruction (Schedule Type): Select all that apply

- A Lecture  H Thesis  
 B Laboratory  I Dissertation

- C Practicum
- D Seminar
- E Independent Study
- F Private Lesson

- K Lecture/Lab Combined
- O Discussion or Review (Study Skills)
- P Specialized Instruction
- Q Student Teaching

**Fields below if applicable**

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If course is taught during a part of term in addition to a full 16-week term please indicate the length of the course (ex., 8 weeks): No

TCCN (Use for lower division courses) :

| Prerequisite(s):                 |  |   |
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| Course Number/<br>Placement Test | Minimum Grade Required/<br>Test Scores | Concurrent Enrollment<br>Permitted? (Y/N) |
| POLS 2310                        | C                                      | Y   |
| POLS 2311                        | C                                      | Y   |
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| Corequisite Course(s): |
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| Equivalent Course(s): |
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| Restrictions:         |  |
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| <b>Classification</b> |  |
| <b>Major</b>          |  |

*The curriculum office recommends consulting with other programs to determine whether there is significant overlap between the proposed course and any existing courses, especially when the course is part of an interdisciplinary program. Evidence of this consultation will facilitate the work of the curriculum committees.*

# COURSE DEACTIVATION FORM

All fields below are required

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**College :** Liberal Arts                      **Department :** Political Science & Public Administration  
**Effective term :** Fall 25

**Rationale for deactivating the courses:**  
POLS 3600 is being replace by POLS 3300 so we are deactivating the course to streamline the catalogue.

**Courses to be deactivated:** (You may list several on the same sheet)

| Course Prefix and Number | Course Title                  | Effective Term |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Ex. POLS 2310            | Introduction to Politics      | Fall 2018      |
| POLS 3600                | Research in Political Science | Fall 2025      |
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## Degree Plan Changes from Catalog Form

### Public Administration and Service

This area requires a minimum GPA of 2.0

| Code  | Title                            | Hours |
|---|----------------------------------|-------|
| <b>Required Courses:</b>                    |                                  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 2310</a>                   | Introduction to Politics         | 3     |
| <a href="#">POLS 2311</a>                   | American Gover & Politics        | 3     |
| <a href="#">POLS 3350</a>                   | Intro to Public Administration ° | 3     |
| <a href="#">POLS 3300</a>                   | Research in Political Science °  | 3     |
| <b>Major Electives:</b>                     |                                  |       |
| Select three courses from the following:    |                                  | 9     |
| <a href="#">POLS 3351</a>                   | The Public Policy Process        |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3353</a>                   | State and Local Administration   |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3354</a>                   | Internship                       |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4356</a>                   | Non-Profit Organizations         |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4357</a>                   | Leadership/Civic Participation   |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4358</a>                   | Special Topics in Public Admin   |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4359</a>                   | Urban Planning                   |       |
| <b>Additional Electives:</b>                |                                  |       |
| Select three courses from the following:    |                                  | 9     |
| <a href="#">POLS 3312</a>                   | Party System, Campaigns Elect.   |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3313</a>                   | Pub Opinion/Media & Technology   |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3314</a>                   | Ethnicity & Race In Amer Pol     |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3342</a>                   | American Political Thought       |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4310</a>                   | American Legislatures            |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4311</a>                   | The Presidency                   |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4313</a>                   | Southwestern Border Politics     |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4314</a>                   | Women, Power and Politics        |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4315</a>                   | Latinos In Amer Political Syst   |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4319</a>                   | Special Topics in Am. Politics   |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4340</a>                   | The American Constitution        |       |
| <b>Upper-Division POLS:</b>                 |                                  |       |
| Select <u>six</u> hours from the following: |                                  | 6     |
| <a href="#">POLS 3312</a>                   | Party System, Campaigns Elect.   |       |

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| Code                      | Title                          | Hours |
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| <a href="#">POLS 3313</a> | Pub Opinion/Media & Technology |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3314</a> | Ethnicity & Race In Amer Pol   |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3315</a> | Judicial Process               |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3321</a> | Civil Rights & Liberties       |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3322</a> | Law and Society                |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3323</a> | Internatl & Comparative Courts |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3324</a> | Indigenous Law and Politics    |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3325</a> | Peru: Politics of Surprise     |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3326</a> | Politics of East Asia          |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3332</a> | Political Geography            |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3334</a> | Politics in World Regions      |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3337</a> | Latin American Politics        |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3339</a> | Comparative Political Systems  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3340</a> | Western Political Heritage I   |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3341</a> | Western Political Heritage II  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3342</a> | American Political Thought     |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3345</a> | Democracy and Democratization  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3351</a> | The Public Policy Process      |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3353</a> | State and Local Administration |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3354</a> | Internship                     |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3360</a> | International Relations        |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3361</a> | International Security         |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3362</a> | International Law and Politics |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3365</a> | Political Simulations          |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4300</a> | Adv Rsrch Methods/Pol Science  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4304</a> | Envir. Just. & Min. Comm U.S.  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4310</a> | American Legislatures          |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4311</a> | The Presidency                 |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4313</a> | Southwestern Border Politics   |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4315</a> | Latinos In Amer Political Syst |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4317</a> | U.S. Constitutional Structure  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4318</a> | Teaching Democracy             |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4319</a> | Special Topics in Am. Politics |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4320</a> | Judicial Politics              |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4322</a> | Legal Reasoning                |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4323</a> | Courts in Action               |       |

| Code                      | Title                          | Hours |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|-------|
| <a href="#">POLS 4324</a> | Introduction to Private Law    |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4325</a> | Spec Topics in Law & Politics  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4328</a> | Politics of China              |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4329</a> | Elections Around the World     |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4330</a> | Foreign Policy of the U.S.     |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4337</a> | The Politics of Mexico         |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4339</a> | US-Latin American Relations    |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4340</a> | The American Constitution      |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4342</a> | Contemporary Political Thought |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4343</a> | Politics of Brazil             |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4344</a> | Sp Topics in Political Theory  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4346</a> | Russia's Challenges/21st Cent  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4347</a> | European Union Politics        |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4348</a> | Politics/Developing Countries  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4350</a> | Sp Topics in Comparative Gov   |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4356</a> | Non-Profit Organizations       |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4357</a> | Leadership/Civic Participation |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4358</a> | Special Topics in Public Admin |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4359</a> | Urban Planning                 |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4363</a> | North American Relations       |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4364</a> | Internat'l Political Economy   |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4365</a> | International Organizations    |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4366</a> | Sp Topics/Internat'l Relations |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4367</a> | Ethnic Conflict and Civil Wars |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4368</a> | Conflict Analysis              |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4370</a> | Independent Reading in Pol Sci |       |

**Total Hours** **36**

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Course requires a grade of C or better.

French and Spanish majors must fulfill this requirement in a language other than their major.



## Law and Politics

This area requires a minimum GPA of 2.0

| Code                                  | Title                           | Hours |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| <b>Required Courses:</b>              |                                 |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 2310</a>             | Introduction to Politics        | 3     |
| <a href="#">POLS 2311</a>             | American Gover & Politics       | 3     |
| <a href="#">POLS 3315</a>             | Judicial Process                | 3     |
| <a href="#">POLS 3320</a>             | Constitutional Law              | 3     |
| <a href="#">POLS 3300</a>             | Research in Political Science ° | 3     |
| <b>Major Electives:</b>               |                                 |       |
| Select four courses of the following: |                                 | 12    |
| <a href="#">POLS 3321</a>             | Civil Rights & Liberties        |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3322</a>             | Law and Society                 |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3323</a>             | Internatl & Comparative Courts  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3324</a>             | Indigenous Law and Politics     |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3362</a>             | International Law and Politics  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4320</a>             | Judicial Politics               |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4322</a>             | Legal Reasoning                 |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4323</a>             | Courts in Action                |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4324</a>             | Introduction to Private Law     |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4325</a>             | Spec Topics in Law & Politics   |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4340</a>             | The American Constitution       |       |
| <b>Additional Electives:</b>          |                                 |       |
| Select two courses of the following:  |                                 | 6     |
| <a href="#">POLS 3312</a>             | Party System, Campaigns Elect.  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3313</a>             | Pub Opinion/Media & Technology  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3314</a>             | Ethnicity & Race In Amer Pol    |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4310</a>             | American Legislatures           |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4311</a>             | The Presidency                  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4313</a>             | Southwestern Border Politics    |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4314</a>             | Women, Power and Politics       |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4315</a>             | Latinos In Amer Political Syst  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4319</a>             | Special Topics in Am. Politics  |       |
| <b>Additional Requirement:</b>        |                                 |       |
| Select one of the following:          |                                 | 3     |

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| Code               | Title                                 | Hours     |
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| POLS 3339          | <u>Comparative Political Systems</u>  |           |
| POLS 3360          | <u>International Relations</u>        |           |
| POLS 3325          | <u>Peru: Politics of Surprise</u>     |           |
| POLS 3326          | <u>Politics of East Asia</u>          |           |
| POLS 3332          | <u>Political Geography</u>            |           |
| POLS 3334          | <u>Politics in World Regions</u>      |           |
| POLS 3337          | <u>Latin American Politics</u>        |           |
| POLS 3345          | <u>Democracy and Democratization</u>  |           |
| POLS 4328          | <u>Politics of China</u>              |           |
| POLS 4329          | <u>Elections Around the World</u>     |           |
| POLS 4337          | <u>The Politics of Mexico</u>         |           |
| POLS 4343          | <u>Politics of Brazil</u>             |           |
| POLS 4346          | <u>Russia's Challenges/21st Cent</u>  |           |
| POLS 4347          | <u>European Union Politics</u>        |           |
| POLS 4348          | <u>Politics/Developing Countries</u>  |           |
| POLS 4350          | <u>Sp Topics in Comparative Gov</u>   |           |
| POLS 3361          | <u>International Security</u>         |           |
| POLS 4330          | <u>Foreign Policy of the U.S.</u>     |           |
| POLS 4339          | <u>US-Latin American Relations</u>    |           |
| POLS 4363          | <u>North American Relations</u>       |           |
| POLS 4364          | <u>Internat'l Political Economy</u>   |           |
| POLS 4365          | <u>International Organizations</u>    |           |
| POLS 4366          | <u>Sp Topics/Internat'l Relations</u> |           |
| POLS 4367          | <u>Ethnic Conflict and Civil Wars</u> |           |
| POLS 4368          | <u>Conflict Analysis</u>              |           |
| <b>Total Hours</b> |                                       | <b>36</b> |

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# Minor in Political Science

## Degree Plan

This area requires a minimum GPA of 2.0.

| Code   | Title                           | Hours |
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| Required Courses:                                      |                                 |       |
| Subfields:   |                                 |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3300</a>                              | Research in Political Science ° | 3     |
| Select one course in three of the following subfields: |                                 |       |
| American Political Behavior:                           |                                 |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3312</a>                              | Party System, Campaigns Elect.  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3313</a>                              | Pub Opinion/Media & Technology  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3314</a>                              | Ethnicity & Race In Amer Pol    |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4304</a>                              | Envir. Just. & Min. Comm U.S.   |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4310</a>                              | American Legislatures           |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4311</a>                              | The Presidency                  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4313</a>                              | Southwestern Border Politics    |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4314</a>                              | Women, Power and Politics       |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4315</a>                              | Latinos In Amer Political Syst  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4318</a>                              | Teaching Democracy              |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4319</a>                              | Special Topics in Am. Politics  |       |
| Law and Politics:                                      |                                 |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3315</a>                              | Judicial Process                |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3320</a>                              | Constitutional Law              |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3321</a>                              | Civil Rights & Liberties        |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3322</a>                              | Law and Society                 |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3323</a>                              | Internatl & Comparative Courts  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3324</a>                              | Indigenous Law and Politics     |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4320</a>                              | Judicial Politics               |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4322</a>                              | Legal Reasoning                 |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4323</a>                              | Courts in Action                |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4324</a>                              | Introduction to Private Law     |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4325</a>                              | Spec Topics in Law & Politics   |       |

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| <a href="#">POLS 4326</a> | International Law and the US   |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4327</a> | Intl. and Regional Courts      |       |
| International Relations:  |                                |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3360</a> | International Relations        |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3361</a> | International Security         |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3362</a> | International Law and Politics |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4330</a> | Foreign Policy of the U.S.     |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4339</a> | US-Latin American Relations    |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4363</a> | North American Relations       |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4364</a> | Internat'l Political Economy   |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4365</a> | International Organizations    |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4366</a> | Sp Topics/Internat'l Relations |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4367</a> | Ethnic Conflict and Civil Wars |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4368</a> | Conflict Analysis              |       |
| Comparative Politics:     |                                |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3325</a> | Peru: Politics of Surprise     |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3326</a> | Politics of East Asia          |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3332</a> | Political Geography            |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3334</a> | Politics in World Regions      |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3337</a> | Latin American Politics        |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3339</a> | Comparative Political Systems  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3345</a> | Democracy and Democratization  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4328</a> | Politics of China              |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4329</a> | Elections Around the World     |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4337</a> | The Politics of Mexico         |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4343</a> | Politics of Brazil             |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4346</a> | Russia's Challenges/21st Cent  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4347</a> | European Union Politics        |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4348</a> | Politics/Developing Countries  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4350</a> | Sp Topics in Comparative Gov   |       |
| Public Administration:    |                                |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3350</a> | Intro to Public Administration |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3351</a> | The Public Policy Process      |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3353</a> | State and Local Administration |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4356</a> | Non-Profit Organizations       |       |

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| Code                      | Title                          | Hours |
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| <a href="#">POLS 4357</a> | Leadership/Civic Participation |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4358</a> | Special Topics in Public Admin |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4359</a> | Urban Planning                 |       |

Minor Electives:

Select six additional hours of upper-division POLS

**Total Hours**

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BA in Political Science (No concentration)

| Code   | Title                           | Hours        |
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| <b>Minor Required</b>  |                                 |              |
| This program requires the selection of a minor.                          |                                 | 18           |
| <b>University Core Curriculum</b>  |                                 |              |
| <a href="#">Complete the University Core Curriculum requirements.</a>    |                                 | 42           |
| <b>Political Science Major (This area requires a minimum GPA of 2.0)</b> |                                 |              |
| <b>Required Courses:</b>   |                                 |              |
| POLS 2310  | Introduction to Politics        | 3            |
| POLS 2311  | American Gover & Politics       | 3            |
| <b>Subfields:</b>  |                                 |              |
| <del>POLS 3300</del>   | Research in Political Science ° | <del>3</del> |
| Select one course in three of the following subfields:                   |                                 | 9            |
| <b>American Political Behavior:</b>                                      |                                 |              |
| POLS 3312  | Party System, Campaigns Elect.  |              |
| POLS 3313  | Pub Opinion/Media & Technology  |              |
| POLS 3314  | Ethnicity & Race In Amer Pol    |              |
| POLS 4304  | Envir. Just. & Min. Comm U.S.   |              |
| POLS 4310  | American Legislatures           |              |
| POLS 4311  | The Presidency                  |              |
| POLS 4313  | Southwestern Border Politics    |              |
| POLS 4314  | Women, Power and Politics       |              |
| POLS 4315  | Latinos In Amer Political Syst  |              |
| POLS 4317  | U.S. Constitutional Structure   |              |
| POLS 4318  | Teaching Democracy              |              |
| POLS 4319  | Special Topics in Am. Politics  |              |
| <b>Law and Politics:</b>   |                                 |              |
| POLS 3315  | Judicial Process                |              |
| POLS 3320  | Constitutional Law              |              |
| POLS 3321  | Civil Rights & Liberties        |              |
| POLS 3322  | Law and Society                 |              |
| POLS 3323  | Internatl & Comparative Courts  |              |
| POLS 3324  | Indigenous Law and Politics     |              |
| POLS 4320  | Judicial Politics               |              |
| POLS 4322  | Legal Reasoning                 |              |

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| Code                            | Title                          | Hours |
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| POLS 4323                       | Courts in Action               |       |
| POLS 4324                       | Introduction to Private Law    |       |
| POLS 4325                       | Spec Topics in Law & Politics  |       |
| <b>International Relations:</b> |                                |       |
| POLS 3360                       | International Relations        |       |
| POLS 3361                       | International Security         |       |
| POLS 3362                       | International Law and Politics |       |
| POLS 4330                       | Foreign Policy of the U.S.     |       |
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| POLS 4365                       | International Organizations    |       |
| POLS 4366                       | Sp Topics/Internat'l Relations |       |
| POLS 4367                       | Ethnic Conflict and Civil Wars |       |
| POLS 4368                       | Conflict Analysis              |       |
| <b>Comparative Politics:</b>    |                                |       |
| POLS 3325                       | Peru: Politics of Surprise     |       |
| POLS 3326                       | Politics of East Asia          |       |
| POLS 3332                       | Political Geography            |       |
| POLS 3334                       | Politics in World Regions      |       |
| POLS 3337                       | Latin American Politics        |       |
| POLS 3339                       | Comparative Political Systems  |       |
| POLS 3345                       | Democracy and Democratization  |       |
| POLS 4328                       | Politics of China              |       |
| POLS 4329                       | Elections Around the World     |       |
| POLS 4337                       | The Politics of Mexico         |       |
| POLS 4343                       | Politics of Brazil             |       |
| POLS 4346                       | Russia's Challenges/21st Cent  |       |
| POLS 4347                       | European Union Politics        |       |
| POLS 4348                       | Politics/Developing Countries  |       |
| POLS 4350                       | Sp Topics in Comparative Gov   |       |
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| Code   | Title                          | Hours |
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| <b>Public Administration:</b>                      |                                |       |
| POLS 3350  | Intro to Public Administration |       |
| POLS 3351  | The Public Policy Process      |       |
| POLS 3353  | State and Local Administration |       |
| POLS 4356  | Non-Profit Organizations       |       |
| POLS 4357  | Leadership/Civic Participation |       |
| POLS 4358  | Special Topics in Public Admin |       |
| POLS 4359  | Urban Planning                 |       |
| <b>Additional Hours:</b>                           |                                |       |
| Select <del>eighteen</del> hours of the following: |                                | 18    |
| POLS 3312  | Party System, Campaigns Elect. |       |
| POLS 3313  | Pub Opinion/Media & Technology |       |
| POLS 3314  | Ethnicity & Race In Amer Pol   |       |
| POLS 3315  | Judicial Process               |       |
| POLS 3320  | Constitutional Law             |       |
| POLS 3321  | Civil Rights & Liberties       |       |
| POLS 3322  | Law and Society                |       |
| POLS 3323  | Internatl & Comparative Courts |       |
| POLS 3324  | Indigenous Law and Politics    |       |
| POLS 3325  | Peru: Politics of Surprise     |       |
| POLS 3326  | Politics of East Asia          |       |
| POLS 3332  | Political Geography            |       |
| POLS 3334  | Politics in World Regions      |       |
| POLS 3337  | Latin American Politics        |       |
| POLS 3339  | Comparative Political Systems  |       |
| POLS 3340  | Western Political Heritage I   |       |
| POLS 3341  | Western Political Heritage II  |       |
| POLS 3342  | American Political Thought     |       |
| POLS 3345  | Democracy and Democratization  |       |
| POLS 3350  | Intro to Public Administration |       |
| POLS 3351  | The Public Policy Process      |       |
| POLS 3353  | State and Local Administration |       |
| POLS 3354  | Internship                     |       |
| POLS 3360  | International Relations        |       |

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| POLS 3361 | International Security         |       |
| POLS 3362 | International Law and Politics |       |
| POLS 3365 | Political Simulations          |       |
| POLS 4300 | Adv Rsrch Methods/Pol Science  |       |
| POLS 4304 | Envir. Just. & Min. Comm U.S.  |       |
| POLS 4310 | American Legislatures          |       |
| POLS 4311 | The Presidency                 |       |
| POLS 4313 | Southwestern Border Politics   |       |
| POLS 4314 | Women, Power and Politics      |       |
| POLS 4315 | Latinos In Amer Political Syst |       |
| POLS 4317 | U.S. Constitutional Structure  |       |
| POLS 4318 | Teaching Democracy             |       |
| POLS 4319 | Special Topics in Am. Politics |       |
| POLS 4320 | Judicial Politics              |       |
| POLS 4322 | Legal Reasoning                |       |
| POLS 4323 | Courts in Action               |       |
| POLS 4324 | Introduction to Private Law    |       |
| POLS 4325 | Spec Topics in Law & Politics  |       |
| POLS 4328 | Politics of China              |       |
| POLS 4329 | Elections Around the World     |       |
| POLS 4330 | Foreign Policy of the U.S.     |       |
| POLS 4343 | Politics of Brazil             |       |
| POLS 4337 | The Politics of Mexico         |       |
| POLS 4339 | US-Latin American Relations    |       |
| POLS 4340 | The American Constitution      |       |
| POLS 4342 | Contemporary Political Thought |       |
| POLS 4344 | Sp Topics in Political Theory  |       |
| POLS 4346 | Russia's Challenges/21st Cent  |       |
| POLS 4347 | European Union Politics        |       |
| POLS 4348 | Politics/Developing Countries  |       |
| POLS 4350 | Sp Topics in Comparative Gov   |       |
| POLS 4356 | Non-Profit Organizations       |       |
| POLS 4357 | Leadership/Civic Participation |       |
| POLS 4358 | Special Topics in Public Admin |       |
| POLS 4359 | Urban Planning                 |       |
| POLS 4363 | North American Relations       |       |

| Code   | Title                          | Hours      |
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| POLS 4364  | Internat'l Political Economy   |            |
| POLS 4365  | International Organizations    |            |
| POLS 4366  | Sp Topics/Internat'l Relations |            |
| POLS 4367  | Ethnic Conflict and Civil Wars |            |
| POLS 4368  | Conflict Analysis              |            |
| POLS 4370  | Independent Reading in Pol Sci |            |
| <b>Open Electives</b>  |                                |            |
| Select additional hours to complete a total of one hundred twenty hours                                    |                                |            |
| <b>Foreign Language</b>  |                                |            |
| Select six credit of Foreign Language. All six credits must be in the same language sequence. <sup>1</sup> |                                | 6          |
| <b>Block Electives</b>   |                                |            |
| Complete twelve upper-division hours from the blocks below, with three to six hours in each                |                                | 12         |
| <b>Total Hours</b>   |                                | <b>120</b> |

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Course requires a grade of C or better.

## International Politics

This area requires a minimum GPA of 2.0

| Code                                     | Title                           | Hours |
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| <b>Required Courses:</b>                 |                                 |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 2310</a>                | Introduction to Politics        | 3     |
| <a href="#">POLS 2311</a>                | American Gover & Politics       | 3     |
| <a href="#">POLS 3339</a>                | Comparative Political Systems   | 3     |
| <a href="#">POLS 3360</a>                | International Relations         | 3     |
| <a href="#">POLS 3300</a>                | Research in Political Science ° | 3     |
| <b>Major Electives:</b>                  |                                 |       |
| Select three courses from the following: |                                 | 9     |
| <a href="#">POLS 3323</a>                | Internatl & Comparative Courts  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3325</a>                | Peru: Politics of Surprise      |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3326</a>                | Politics of East Asia           |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3332</a>                | Political Geography             |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3334</a>                | Politics in World Regions       |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3337</a>                | Latin American Politics         |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3345</a>                | Democracy and Democratization   |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4328</a>                | Politics of China               |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4329</a>                | Elections Around the World      |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4337</a>                | The Politics of Mexico          |       |
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| <a href="#">POLS 4346</a>                | Russia's Challenges/21st Cent   |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4347</a>                | European Union Politics         |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4348</a>                | Politics/Developing Countries   |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4350</a>                | Sp Topics in Comparative Gov    |       |
| <b>Additional Electives:</b>             |                                 |       |
| Select three courses of the following:   |                                 | 9     |
| <a href="#">POLS 3361</a>                | International Security          |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 3362</a>                | International Law and Politics  |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4330</a>                | Foreign Policy of the U.S.      |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4339</a>                | US-Latin American Relations     |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4363</a>                | North American Relations        |       |
| <a href="#">POLS 4364</a>                | Internat'l Political Economy    |       |

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| <a href="#">POLS 4365</a>          | International Organizations                        |           |
| <a href="#">POLS 4366</a>          | Sp Topics/Internat'l Relations                     |           |
| <a href="#">POLS 4367</a>          | Ethnic Conflict and Civil Wars                     |           |
| <a href="#">POLS 4368</a>          | Conflict Analysis                                  |           |
| <b>Minor Electives:</b>            |  |           |
| Select one course of the following |  | 3         |
| <a href="#">POLS 3324</a>          | <a href="#">Indigenous Law and Politics</a>        |           |
| <a href="#">POLS 3312</a>          | <a href="#">Party System, Campaigns Elect.</a>     |           |
| <a href="#">POLS 3313</a>          | <a href="#">Pub Opinion/Media &amp; Technology</a> |           |
| <a href="#">POLS 3314</a>          | <a href="#">Ethnicity &amp; Race In Amer Pol</a>   |           |
| <a href="#">POLS 4304</a>          | <a href="#">Envir. Just. &amp; Min. Comm U.S.</a>  |           |
| <a href="#">POLS 4310</a>          | <a href="#">American Legislatures</a>              |           |
| <a href="#">POLS 4311</a>          | <a href="#">The Presidency</a>                     |           |
| <a href="#">POLS 4313</a>          | <a href="#">Southwestern Border Politics</a>       |           |
| <a href="#">POLS 4314</a>          | <a href="#">Women, Power and Politics</a>          |           |
| <a href="#">POLS 4315</a>          | <a href="#">Latinos In Amer Political Syst</a>     |           |
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| <a href="#">POLS 4318</a>          | <a href="#">Teaching Democracy</a>                 |           |
| <a href="#">POLS 4319</a>          | <a href="#">Special Topics in Am. Politics</a>     |           |
| <a href="#">POLS 3315</a>          | <a href="#">Judicial Process</a>                   |           |
| <a href="#">POLS 3320</a>          | <a href="#">Constitutional Law</a>                 |           |
| <a href="#">POLS 3321</a>          | <a href="#">Civil Rights &amp; Liberties</a>       |           |
| <a href="#">POLS 3322</a>          | <a href="#">Law and Society</a>                    |           |
| <a href="#">POLS 4320</a>          | <a href="#">Judicial Politics</a>                  |           |
| <a href="#">POLS 4322</a>          | <a href="#">Legal Reasoning</a>                    |           |
| <a href="#">POLS 4323</a>          | <a href="#">Courts in Action</a>                   |           |
| <a href="#">POLS 4324</a>          | <a href="#">Introduction to Private Law</a>        |           |
| <a href="#">POLS 4325</a>          | <a href="#">Spec Topics in Law &amp; Politics</a>  |           |
| <b>Total Hours</b>                 |  | <b>36</b> |

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# Bachelor of Arts in Political Science

Required Semester Credit Hours (SCH): 120

Refer to the University Catalog for all degree requirements at [catalog.utep.edu](http://catalog.utep.edu).

Many core curriculum courses are also offered in the summer (Su). Students are encouraged to register early and check Goldmine for course availability.

The flowchart below may not reflect all student schedules; courses can be shifted to different semesters where applicable.

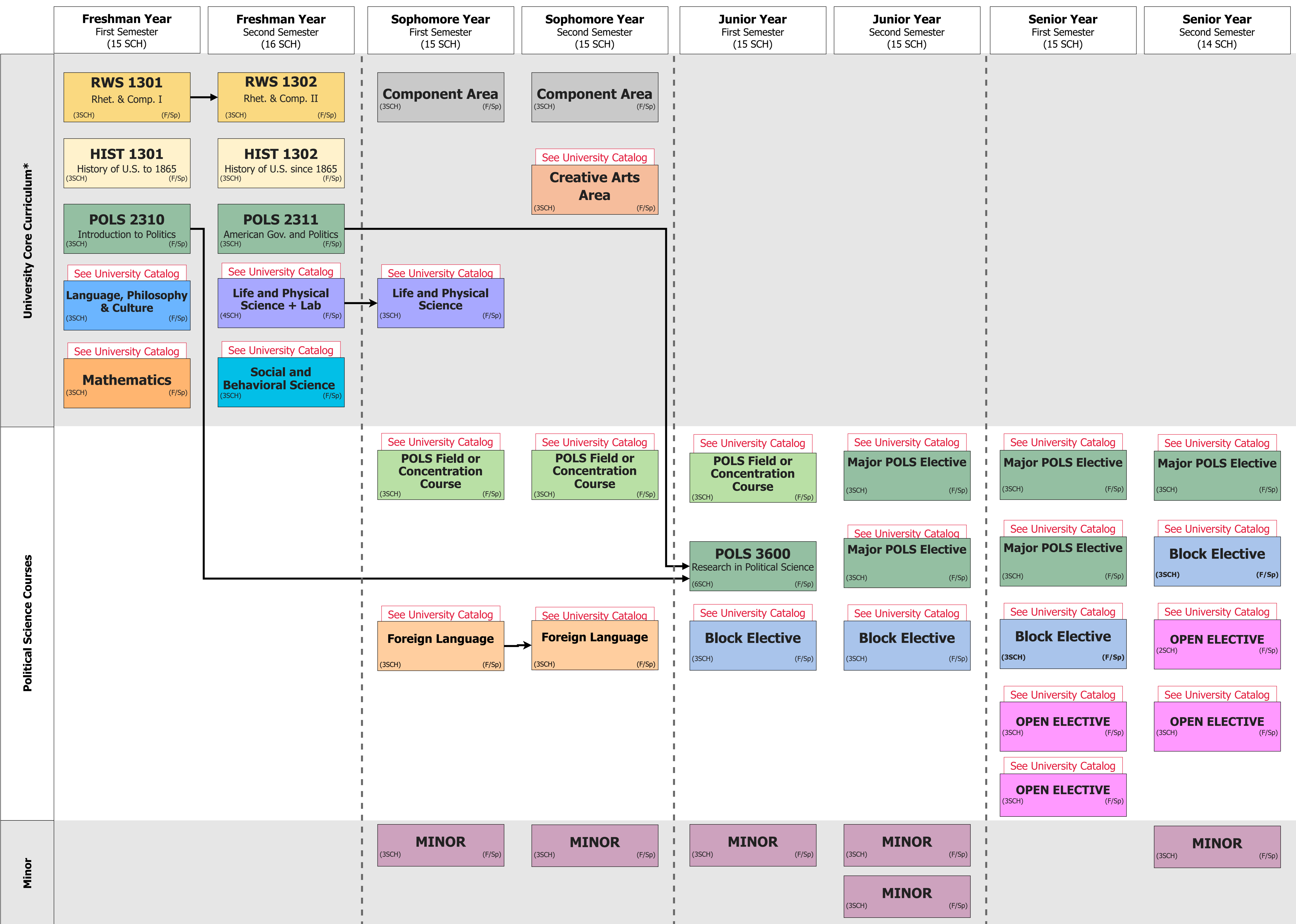
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Sample Degree Plan

\*C or better required.

Arrow indicates a prerequisite.

Color-coded boxes group the course subject.

F/Sp/Su indicates the semesters Fall/Spring/Summer.



# CURRICULUM PROPOSAL

## APPROVAL PAGE

Proposal Title: Addition of POLS 3300 and Subsequent Degree Plan Changes

College: Liberal Arts Department: Political Science & Public Administration

**DEPARTMENT CHAIR- Gaspare Genna**

I have read the enclosed proposal and approve this proposal on behalf of the department.



2/21/2024

Signature

Date

**COLLEGE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE CHAIR – Selfa Chew-Melendez**

I have read the enclosed documents and approve the proposal on behalf of the college curriculum committee.

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Signature

Date

**COLLEGE DEAN – Anadeli Bencomo**

I have read the enclosed documents and approve the proposal on behalf of the college. I certify that the necessary funds will be allocated by the college in support of this proposal.

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Signature

Date