

Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts

Political Science Major

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Students earning the AS, AA, or AA&S (or university parallel) degree from a Virginia Community College automatically satisfy the lower division general education requirements. **General Education courses marked with * require a grade of C or better to transfer. The remaining lower division courses are automatically satisfied by the AS (including foreign language), regardless of the grade earned.** Additionally, courses in which a grade of C- or below was earned will not transfer. Therefore Community College degree holders who meet the General Education requirements may require additional credits to meet the 120 credit hour graduation minimum. (AS=Associate degree)

Entrance Writing Sample Placement Test: _____

LOWER DIVISION GENERAL EDUCATION

A. Skills *VCCS Equivalent*
Written Communication _____ 3 Eng 111
(Grade of C required in _____ 3 Eng 112 or 210
ENGL 110C and ENGL 111C before declaring major)

Oral Communication _____ 3 Select 1 course
COMM 101R, 103R, or 112R from Transfer guide

Mathematics _____ 3 Select 1 course
from Transfer guide
(BS requires C or better in STAT 130M (MTH 146, 157, 240, 241 OT 242)*; STAT 130M is also recommended for the BA degree)
MATH 101M, 102M, 162M, or STAT 130M

Foreign Language Skills _____ 0-12 See Transfer guide
(BS students' competence must be at the 102 level. BA students must have competence through the 202 level. Competence is not automatically met by the associate degree.)

Computer Skills _____ 3 CSC/155 or ITE 115 OR 215*
CS 101D required

B. Perspectives
Fine and Performing Arts _____ 3 See Transfer guide

ART 121A, ARTS 122A, COMM/THEA 270A, MUSC 264A, DANC 185A, THEA 241A

History _____ 3 Select 2 courses
HIST 101H, 102H, 103H, 104H _____ 3 from Transfer
or 105H guide

Literature _____ 3 Select 1 course
ENGL 112L, 144L, or FLET 100L from Transfer guide

Philosophy _____ 3 Select 1 course
PHIL 110P, 120P, or 150P from Transfer guide

Natural Science and Technology
Eight credit hours of Natural Science with labs in sequence. Additionally, 3-4 Natural Science or Technology are required. Select sequence from transfer guide.
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Social Science
ECON 201S _____ 3 ECO 201*
ECON 202S or _____ 3 ECO 202*
GEOG 100S GEO 210*

Foundation courses (BA, 12 hours; BS, 15 hours)

NAME: _____

UIN: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

Departmental requirements not automatically met by associate degree)
POLS 100S Intro to Intl Politics _____ 3 PLS 241, or 242*
POLS 101S Intro to Am Politics _____ 3 PLS 30,135,211 or 212*
POLS 102 Intro to Comparative _____ 3 _____
Government & Politics
POLS 308 Research Design (BS requires C- or better) _____ 3 _____
POLS 418 Quant Meth (BS only) _____ 3 _____
Political Science 300-400 level electives (BA:24 hrs; BS:21 hrs)
B.A. requires 24 hours with at least nine at the 400 level. B.S. requires 21 hours with at least nine at the 400 level. Both require a minimum of nine hours in each of two emphasis areas: American politics/public law and international relations/comparative politics. No more than three hours can be taken from POLS 367 and 368, and no more than three hours can be taken from POLS 497. One elective must be writing intensive. All majors must complete a capstone paper and submit it to the department in the junior or senior year.
POLS 300-400 electives _____ 12 _____
POLS 300-400 elective (BA only) _____ 3 _____
POLS 400 electives _____ 9 _____
See course listings in this Catalog for elective choices.

Requirements are as follows:
UPPER DIVISION GENERAL EDUCATION
Option A. Approved Minor, 12-24 hours; also second degree or second major. (Satisfied by Professional Education core for Social Sciences teaching licensure students.)

Option B. Cluster, 9 hours (3 hours may be in the major area of study.)

Graduation requirements include a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.00 overall and in the major, 120 credit hours, passage of the Exit Examination of Writing Proficiency, and completion of Senior Assessment for the non-teacher education track.