

ADVISING WORKSHEET

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE MAJOR IN POLITICAL SCIENCE GENERAL BULLETIN 2024-2025

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GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS - SEE ATTACHED PAGE FOR SPECIFIC COURSES

General Education Category	Course #	Credits	Grade	Semester	Equivalent
Category I: Global Academic Skills (9 credits) A. Mathematics (3 credits) STAT 141 - Recommended					
B. English (3 credits)					
C. Communication & Information Literacy (3 credits)					
Category II: Natural Sciences (7 credits) 2 lectures (6 credits) & 1 lab (1 credit) (1 life science & 1 physical science & 1 lab)					
A. Social Science (3 credits) PSCI 210 & 220 – Major Requirements					
B. History (3 credits) PSCI 230 – Major Requirement					
Category IV: Cultural Diversity (3 credits)					
Category V: Arts & Humanities (6 credits) A. Fine Arts (3 credits)					
B. Humanities (3 credits)					

A minimum grade of "C-" required in all General Education courses.

Note: Certain degrees may require a minimum grade of "C" in General Education courses.

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CATEGO	ORY I: (GLOBAL ACADEMIC SKILLS	9 cred	lits	CATEGO	RY III:	SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HISTORY 6 CRI	EDITS
Students	are req	uired to take one course from each si	ıbcategor	y	Students	are requ	aired to take one course from each subcateg	gory
Subcate	gory A	- Mathematics	3 cred	lits	Subcateg	gory A -	- Social Sciences 3 cr	edits
M	105	Contemporary Mathematics		3	BGEN	105	Introduction to Business	3
M	114	Extended Technical Mathematics		3	COMX	106	Communicating in a Dynamic Workplace	3
M	121	College Algebra		3	ECNS	201	Principles of Microeconomics	3
M	122	College Trigonometry		3	ECNS	202	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
M	130	Mathematics for Elementary Teach	ers I	3	EDU	105	Education and Democracy	3
M	140	College Math for Healthcare		3	GPHY	141	Geography of World Regions	3
M	143	Finite Mathematics		4	HTH	110	Personal Health and Wellness	3
M	161	Survey of Calculus		3	PSCI	210	Introduction to American Government	
M	171	Calculus I		4	PSCI	220	Introduction to Comparative Government	
STAT	141	Introduction to Statistical Conce	pts	3	PSYX	100	Introduction to Psychology	3
STAT	216	Introduction to Statistics		4	SOCI	101	Introduction to Sociology	3
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	- •	- English	3 cred		a .	_	***	••.
WRIT	101	College Writing I		3	Subcateg		•	redits
WRIT	121	Introduction to Technical Writing		3	HSTA	101	American History I	3
WRIT	122	Introduction to Business Writing		3	HSTA	102	American History II	3
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		Communication & Information Lite			HSTR	160	Modern World History	3
BMIS		Cyber Security and Electronic Comm	unication		PSCI	230	Introduction to International Relations	3
COMX		ntroduction to Public Speaking		3				
COMX		introduction to Interpersonal Commun	nication	3	CATEGO	RY IV:	CULTURAL DIVERSITY 3 ca	redits
COMX		Communication in Small Groups		2	ANTY	220	Culture and Society	3
HONR		Honors Inquiry and Research		3	ARTH	160	Global Visual Culture	3
LSCI	125 I	Research in the Information Age		3	COMX	212	Introduction to Intercultural Communicati	ion 3
					GPHY	121	Human Geography	3
		NATURAL SCIENCES 6 cr. lecture			HTH	270	Global Health Issues	3
Students	are req	uired to take one course from each si	ibcategor	y and	LIT	230	World Literature	3
		esponding lab <u>or</u> Integrated Sciences			MUSI	207	World Music	3
Subcate	gory A	– Life Sciences	3-4 cred	lits	NASX	105	Introduction to Native American Studies	3
BIOB	101	Discover Biology		3	NASX	205	Native Americans in Contemporary Socie	ty 3
BIOB	102	Discover Biology Lab		1	REHA	201	Introduction to Diversity in Counseling	3
BIOB	121	Fundamentals of Biology for Allied	d Health	3	RLST	170	The Religious Quest	3
BIOB	123	Fund of Biology: The Nature of Nu	ıtrition	3	SPNS	150	The Hispanic Tradition	3
BIOB	160	Principles of Living Systems		3	WGSS	274	Women Culture, and Society	3
BIOB	161	Principles of Living Systems Lab		1				
SCIN	101	Integrated Sciences I		3	CATEGO	RY V: A	ARTS & HUMANITIES 6 cm	redits
SCIN	102	Integrated Sciences I Lab		1			uired to take one course from each subcateg	rorv
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		- Physical Sciences	3-4 cred	_	ARTZ	105	Visual Language-Drawing	3
ASTR	110	Introduction to Astronomy		3	ARTZ	106	Visual Language-2-D Foundations	3
ASTR	111	Introduction to Astronomy Lab		1	ARTZ	108	Visual Language-3-D Foundations	3
CHMY	121	Introduction to General Chemistry		3		131	Ceramics for Non-majors	3
CHMY	122	Introduction to General Chemistry	Lab	1	CRWR	240	Intro Creative Writing Workshop	3
CHMY	141	College Chemistry I		3	FILM	160	Introduction to World Cinema	3
CHMY	142	College Chemistry Laboratory I		1	LIT	270	Film & Literature	3
GEO	101	Introduction to Physical Geology		3	MUSI	101	Enjoyment of Music	3
GEO	102	Introduction to Physical Geology L			MUSI	114	Band: MSUB Symphonic	1
GPHY	262	Spatial Sciences Technology & Ap			MUSI	131	Jazz Ensemble I: MSUB	1
GPHY	263	Spatial Sciences & Technology Lal	b	1	MUSI	147	Choral Ensemble: University Chorus	1
PHSX	103	Our Physical World		3	PHOT	154	Exploring Digital Photography	3
PHSX	104	Our Physical World Lab		1	THTR	101	Introduction to Theatre	3
PHSX	205	College Physics I		3				
PHSX	206	College Physics I Lab		1	Subcates	gory B -	Humanities 3 cm	redits
SCIN	103	Integrated Sciences II		3	ARTH	150	Introduction to Art History	3
SCIN	104	Integrated Sciences II Lab		1	HONR	111	Perspectives and Understanding	3
					LIT	110	Introduction to Literature	3
					LIT	213	Montana Literature	3
					PHL	110	Introduction to Ethics	3
					PHL	111	Philosophies of Life	3
					PHL	254	People and Politics	3

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Required Cou	ırses	-						
*ECNS	201	Principles of Microeconomics	3					
*PSCI	210	Introduction to American Government	3					
*PSCI	220	Introduction to Comparative Government	3					
*PSCI	230	Introduction to International Relations	3					
PSCI	240	Introduction to Public Administration	3					
PSCI	342	Media, Public Opinion, and Polling						
or PSCI	427	Research Methods	3					
or ECNS	403	Introduction to Econometrics						
*WRIT	201	College Writing II	3					

Restricted Electives – Select a minimum of 15 credits from at least 3 of the 5 areas of concentration below. Of the 15 credits, at least 9 must be upper division (300-400 level).

Area 1: International Relations and Comparative Politics

PSCI	343	Comparative Institutions	3		
PSCI	424	Democratization	3		
PSCI	425	International Conflict	3		

Area 2: The Legal System

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ECNS	456	Law and Economics	3		
PSCI	448	Language and Law	3		
PSCI	472	Constitutional Law: Civil Liberties	3		
PSCI	473	Constitutional Law: Powers and Structures	3		

Area 3: U.S. Government

PSCI	335	American Foreign Policy	3		
PSCI	345	American Political System	3		
PSCI	370	Courts and Judicial Politics	3		

Area 4: Public Administration

PSCI	407	Public Policy Analysis	3		
PSCI	416	Public Organizational Theory	3		
PSCI	469	Ethics and Public Policy	3		

Area 5: Political and Economic Thought

ECNS	450	Economics of Global Development	3		
ECNS	457	Economics of Organizations	3		
PSCI	426	Comparative Political Economy	3		

Supporting Coursework which may be used to satisfy Restricted Electives:

NASX	476	American Indian Policy and Law	3		
PSCI	260	Introduction to State and Local Government	3		
PSCI	491	Special Topics	3		
PSCI	492	Independent Study	1-5		
PSCI	494	Seminar / Workshop	1-3		
PSCI	498	Internship / Cooperative Education	1-12		

^{*}May satisfy General Education requirements.

Option 2: Extended Major — In licu of a minor, students may choose the Political Science Extended Major. This option requires 15 additional credits from the lists above, for a total of 45 major credits Unrestricted Electives Unrestricted Electives	Restricted Electives selected with advisor approval – 6 credits								
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