POLITICAL SCIENCE B.A.

Bachelor of Arts - Political Science

College Humanities & Sciences

Degree Specific Credits: 37

Required Cumulative GPA: 2.0

Catalog Year: 2017-2018

Note: Students pursuing a general political science degree must take a minimum of 37 credits of political science, including one 300-400 level course in four of the five major fields.

- 21 of the 37 credits must be in upper-division courses.
- No more than 7 credits of PSCI 492 and PSCI 498 combined may count toward the 37 required credits.
- A maximum of 60 PSCI credits can count towards the Political Science Major. An internship is strongly recommended.

General Education Requirements

Information regarding these requirements can be found in the General Education Section (http://catalog.umt.edu/academics/general-education-requirements) of the catalog.

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Required Lower Division Courses

Rule: Must complete all of the following courses:

- PSCI 210S Intro to American Government 3
- PSCI 220S Intro to Comparative Govt 3
- PSCI 230X Intro to International Rel 3
- PSCI 250E Intro to Political Theory 3

Total Hours 12

Minimum Required Grade: C-

Upper Division Writing

Rule: Must complete the following course

- PSCI 400 Adv Writing in Pol Science 1

Total Hours 1

Minimum Required Grade: C-

Required Upper Division Field Courses

Rule: Must complete 1 upper division course in 4 of the 5 fields:

- Public Administration and Public Policy
  - Select 3 credits from the following:
    - PSCI 344 State and Local Government 3
    - PSCI 360 Exp Offering: Public Admin 3
    - PSCI 361 Public Administration 3
    - PSCI 365 Pub Policy Issues and Analysis 3
    - PSCI 448 Health Care Policy 3
    - PSCI 449 Environmental Health Policy 3
    - PSCI 461 Administrative Law 3
    - PSCI 462 Human Resource Management 3
    - PSCI 463 Development Administration 3
    - PSCI 466 Nonprofit Adm & Pub Svc 3
    - PSCI 467 Adv Nonprofit Adm 3
    - PSCI 468 Public Policy Cycle and the Climate 3
    - PSCI 469 Ethics and Public Policy 3

Total Hours 3

Minimum Required Grade: C-

Political Theory

Select 3 credits from the following:

- PSCI 350 Exp Offering: Political Theory 3
- PSCI 352 American Political Thought 3
- PSCI 354 Contemp Issues in Pol Theory 3
- PSCI 450 Exp Offering: Political Theory 3
- PSCI 452 Utopianism and its Critics 3
- PSCI 453 Modern Political Theory 3

Total Hours 3

Minimum Required Grade: C-

Comparative Government

Select 3 credits from the following:

- PSCI 311 Rev & Reform Modern China 3
- PSCI 320 Exp Offering: Comp Politics 3
- PSCI 322 Politics of Europe 3
- PSCI 324 Climate Policies: China & U.S. 3
- PSCI 325 Politics of Latin America 3
- PSCI 326 Politics of Africa 3
- PSCI 327 Politics of Mexico 3
- PSCI 328 Politics of China 3
- PSCI 420 Exp Offering: Comp Politics 3
- PSCI 381 State Formation 3
- PSCI 443 Politics of Social Movements 3
- PSCI 456 Chinese Polit & Soc Thought 3

Total Hours 3

Minimum Required Grade: C-
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Origins of Democracy and Authoritarianism

Total Hours 3
Minimum Required Grade: C-

International Relations
Select 3 credits from the following:

- PSCI 330 Exp Offering: Intrnt Relations
- PSCI 332 Global Environmental Pol.
- PSCI 334 International Security
- PSCI 335 American Foreign Policy
- PSCI 336 European Union
- PSCI 337 Model United Nations
- PSCI 430 Exp Offering: Intrnt Relations
- PSCI 431 Politics of Global Migration
- PSCI 433 International Law & Org
- PSCI 463 Development Administration
- PSCI 482 Politics of the World Economy

Total Hours 3
Minimum Required Grade: C-

American Politics
Select 3 credits from the following:

- PSCI 340 Exp Offering: American Govt
- PSCI 341 Political Parties and Election
- PSCI 342 Media, Public Opinion, Polling
- PSCI 344 State and Local Government
- PSCI 345 American Political System
- PSCI 348 US Multicultural Politics
- PSCI 352 American Political Thought
- PSCI 365 Pub Policy Issues and Analysis
- PSCI 370 Courts and Judicial Politics
- PSCI 440 Exp Offering: American Govt
- PSCI 443 Politics of Social Movements
- PSCI 444 Am Political Participation
- PSCI 445 Political Psychology
- PSCI 468 Public Policy Cycle and the Climate
- PSCI 471 American Constitutional Law
- PSCI 474 Civil Rights Seminar
- NASX 475 Tribal Sovereignty

Total Hours 3
Minimum Required Grade: C-

Degree Electives
Rule: Must complete 12 additional elective credits from PSCI courses numbered 300 and above

Note: PSCI courses may only count toward one category of requirements.
Minimum Required Grade: C-
12 Total Credits Required

Teaching Government Track

Individuals interested in teaching in K-12 schools must complete a degree in the content area they want to teach plus the teacher preparation program through the Department of Teaching and Learning. Individuals must complete the teaching major/teaching track within that degree program, which may contain different course requirements than the academic major since the sequence of courses is designed to meet state standards. Upon completion of the degree program with the teaching track and the secondary licensure program, one will be eligible for a standard Montana teaching license in this content area.

- Secondary Education Licensure Program (http://www.coehs.umt.edu/departments/currinst/undergradprograms/seced/default.php)
- Licensure Degree Requirements (http://catalog.umt.edu/colleges-schools-programs/education-human-sciences/teaching-learning/lic-secondary-licensure)

To sign up for this option, you need to contact the Teaching and Learning Department. Do not fill out a major/minor form for graduation or the major/minor/concentration section of the major change form. Approvals for this option must come from the Teaching and Learning Department.

Tracks will not appear on your UM transcript, diploma, university lists, student data system, or university publication and are used for advising purposes only. You do not fill out a major change for a track.

Note: Students with a teaching major in political science must also complete a teaching major or minor in a second field. For the political science teaching major, students must be formally admitted to the Teacher Education Program and complete all of the professional education licensure requirements. See the Department of Teaching and Learning (http://catalog.umt.edu/colleges-schools-programs/education-human-sciences/teaching-learning) in the College of Education and Human Sciences for more information. A major GPA of 2.75 is required to be eligible for student teaching.

PSCI courses may only count toward one category of requirements.

Upper Division Core
Rule: Must complete the following course:

EDU 497 Teaching and Assessing
Total Hours 4
Minimum Required Grade: C-