Political Science

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Degree Requirements

Bachelor of Science in Political Science

All University College undergraduate students must satisfy the same general-education requirements (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/undergrad/ucollege/bachelors/#degreerequirements).

Required: 30 units minimum

To major in political science, students must complete a minimum of 30 units of political science course work, including at least 6 units of introductory course work, the course U25 PolSci 323 Introduction to Quantitative Methods, and at least 18 units of advanced courses at the 300 and 400 levels. The 18 advanced units for the major must include at least one 3-unit course from three of the following five fields:

- American politics
- Comparative politics
- International politics
- Political and social theory
- Methods of political research and analysis

The department encourages students to explore a wide variety of courses in political science. A student’s program should be planned in close consultation with an academic adviser.

The Minor in Political Science

Required: 15 units

For the minor, 15 units of course work in political science, including at least 9 units of advanced-level courses, are required.