



Bachelor of Science in Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Major: Political Science

2019-2020 Sample 4-Year Plan

Total Degree Requirements: 120 credits

Student _____ Student ID# _____ Student Phone # _____

Advisor _____ Minimum GPA 2.0 Minor/Career Interest(s) _____

Students are not limited to this plan; it is meant to be used as a guide for planning purposes in consultation with your advisor. The sample schedule is one possible path to completing your degree within four years. For official program requirements, please refer to the [Undergraduate Catalog](#).

First Year

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
ACS 119	First Year Seminar	Suggested	2		
AHSS 111	Introduction to Global Citizenship and Diversity		3		
POLS 100	American Government (SGR #3)		3		
POLS 253	Current World Problems		3		
SGR #6	Natural Sciences		3-4		
Total Credit Hours			14-15		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
ENGL 101	English Composition I (SGR #1)	p. Placement	3		
SGR #2	Oral Communication		3		
SGR #3	Social Sciences/Diversity	SGR#3 Non POLS	3		
SGR #4	Humanities/Diversity	SGR#4 satisfied by coursework from 2 different disciplines or one Modern Language sequence.	3-4		
POLS Elective			3		
Total Credit Hours			15-16		

Second Year

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
ENGL 201	English Composition II (SGR #1)	p. ENGL 101	3		
SGR #5	Mathematics	p. Placement	3		
SGR #6	Natural Sciences		3-4		
POLS 388	Research Methods	p. ENGL 201 and POLS 100	3	F	
POLS Elective			3		
Total Credit Hours			15-16		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
SGR #4	Humanities/Diversity	SGR#4 satisfied by coursework from 2 different disciplines or one Modern Language sequence.	3-4		
Natural Sciences		See AHSS Nat. Sci list	3		
POLS Elective			3		
Minor/2 nd Major Course			3		
General Electives		Taken as needed to complete degree requirements	3		
Total Credit Hours			15-16		



Third Year

Fall

Table with 6 columns: Prefix + Number, Course Title, Prerequisites/Comments, Credits, Semester, Grade. Rows include POLS Elective, Minor/2nd Major Course, General Electives, and Total Credit Hours (15).

Spring

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Fourth Year

Fall

Table with 6 columns: Prefix + Number, Course Title, Prerequisites/Comments, Credits, Semester, Grade. Rows include POLS Elective, Minor/2nd Major Course, General Electives, and Total Credit Hours (15).

Spring

Table with 6 columns: Prefix + Number, Course Title, Prerequisites/Comments, Credits, Semester, Grade. Rows include POLS 489 (Capstone), Minor/2nd Major Course, General Electives, and Total Credit Hours (15).

Comments/Notes

Students from all academic majors can pursue graduation with Fishback Honors College distinction. View the Honors program requirements.

As part of the Political Science major, 18 credits must be upper division coursework. At least 3 of the 18 credits must be non-U.S.

As part of the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, students in this program must complete:

- a minimum of 33 upper division credits (300-400 level courses)
• a capstone course in their major
• a designated diversity, equity, and inclusion course – AHSS 111 (or AIS 211 for teaching specializations students only)
• minor, second major, or teaching specialization
• Natural Sciences Coursework: 10+ credits in any two lab sciences; must include two prefixes

Testing into a higher-level language course may reduce time to graduation. To begin coursework above the 101 level, take the free modern language placement test at https://www.sdstate.edu/modern-languages-global-studies/mfl-placement-information