DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE – B.A. in Political Science – International Relations

- You need to complete a total of 120 credits for graduation
- The ultimate responsibility for satisfying all graduation requirements is the student’s (please check Degree Progress Reports on MyWCU AND consult with your adviser each semester)
- Please refer to current undergraduate catalog for courses qualifying as a general education course.
- Make sure to discuss with your adviser how easy it is to add minors in Law, Politics, and Society or Global Studies minor.

- First Year Experience (4 credits) - complete within first 30 credits (FYE waived for transfer students with more than 24 credits)
- WRT 120 (3)
- WRT 200-220 (3)
- MAT 103 or higher (3)
- Arts course (3) - cannot simultaneously fulfill culture cluster req.
- Diversity (J) course (3)
- Interdisciplinary course (I) (3) - I course cannot simultaneously fulfill distributive req.
- Ethics course (E) (3)
- Speaking Emphasis I (3)
- Speaking Emphasis II (3)
- Speaking Emphasis III (3) - one must be at 300-level
- Writing Emphasis I (3)
- Writing Emphasis II (3)
- Writing Emphasis III (3) - one must be at 300-level
- Free Electives (9)

Writing and Speaking Emphasis: Transfer students with fewer than 40-college level credits must complete 9 credits of Writing Emphasis and nine credits of speaking emphasis courses (one of them at 300-400 level). Students with 40-70 credits must complete 6 credits of writing emphasis and speaking emphasis courses (one of them at 300-400 level). Students with more than 70 credits must take 3 credits of Writing Emphasis and speaking emphasis at the 300-400 level)

Language and Culture Requirement:

General Concentration
- Language 101 - required
- Language 102 - required
- Language 201 (3) *Consider a minor in your language – These minors typically require only two 300-level courses
- Language 202 (3) *Courses (in addition to 101, 102, 201, and 202 language courses

Distributive Requirements: recommended courses are highlighted in grey):

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<th>Science - 6 credits, select 2 courses from 2 fields:</th>
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<td>Computer Science (no CSW)</td>
<td>History (HIS 101 or 102)</td>
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PART TWO: PSC DEPARTMENT REQUIREMENTS: International Affairs (42 credits)

Common Core Courses: (15 credits)
- PSC 100 (American Government)
- PSC 200 (Political Analysis, a Writing Emphasis Course - W)
- PSC 213 (International Relations)
- PSC 230 (Introduction to Political Thought, a Writing Emphasis Course - W)
- PSC 240 (Comparative Politics)

Upper-level requirements: (27 credits)
A. One additional 200-level course (3 credits):
   - PSC 201 (Politics of Diversity, a Diversity and Ethics Course - J, E)
   - PSC 202 (Elements of Public Administration)
   - PSC 250 (The Politics of the Judicial Process)
   - PSC 255 (State and Local Government)
B. PSC 317 AND PSC 320 (6 Credits)
   - PSC 317 (Topics in International Affairs, a Speaking Emphasis Course – SE)
   - PSC 320 (U.S. Foreign Policy, a Writing Emphasis Course – W)
C. Two of the following courses (6 credits) focused on International Relations (i.e. World Politics):
   - PSC 310 (United States and Latin American Relations)
   - PSC 311 (Russian Foreign Policy)
   - PSC 315 (European Union)
   - PSC 318 (International Political Economy, a Interdisciplinary Course - I)
   - PSC 330 (Politics of Holocaust and Genocide)
   - PSC 341 (Politics of Development)
   - PSC 353 (Latinx Politics)
D. Two of the following courses (6 credits) focused on Comparative Politics: ¹
   - PSC 319 (Middle Eastern Politics)
   - PSC 340 (Latin American Culture and Politics – J, Spanish Culture Cluster)
   - PSC 342 (European Politics – Spanish, French, German and Italian Culture Clusters)
   - PSC 343 (Culture and Politics of Asia, a Writing Emphasis Course - W)
   - PSC 346 (Russian Government and Politics – Russian Culture Cluster)
   - PSC 348 (African Politics and Society, a Diversity Course - J)
E. One additional course from B, C (above, 3 credits) or 3 credits chosen from:
   - PSC 399 (Special Topics), permission of Dep. Chair required²
   - International Affairs oriented internship (adviser’s permission required)
   - Study Abroad credit bearing experience (3 credits) (adviser’s permission required)
F. One cap-stone course (3 credits)
   - PSC 401 (Senior Seminar)
   - PSC 402 (Advanced Political Analysis) (Instructor needs to certify that research topic focuses on international affairs, chair need to approve that paper fulfills capstone course requirements.

¹ Revised 07/2022
² Depending on topic, PSC399 might also qualify as a ‘B’ or ‘C’ requirement