2022-2023 Political Science Degree Progress Checklist for Transfers

General Education Courses (16 courses + B3 Lab)	Complete?	Timeline
GE Area A1: Oral Communication (COM 1100 or 2204)		Check if completed
GE Area A2: Written Communication (ENG 1103 or 1101)		Check if completed
GE Area A3: Critical Thinking (PHL 2020 or ENG 2105)		Check if completed
GE Area B1: Physical Sciences		Check if completed
GE Area B2: Life Sciences		Check if completed
GE Area B3 Laboratory Sciences (1 unit course)		Check if completed
GE Area B4: Mathematics/Quant. Reasoning (STAT 1200 recomm.)		Check if completed
GE Area B5: Science and Technology Synthesis		1st or 2nd year
GE Area C1: Visual and Performing Arts		Check if completed
GE Area C2: Literature, Language, Philosophy, Civilization		Check if completed
An additional C1 or C2 course (your choice)		Check if completed
GE Area C3: Arts and Humanities Synthesis		1st or 2nd year
GE Area D1: US History and American Ideals (HST 2201 or 2202)		Check if completed
GE Area D2: American Government (PLS 2010)		Check if completed
GE Area D3: Social Sciences: Principles, Methods, Values, Ethics		Check if completed
GE Area D4: Social Science Synthesis		1st or 2nd year
GE Area E: Lifelong Learning and Self-Development (PLS 1011)		1st semester

Political Science Lower-Division Core Course (9 courses)	Complete?	Timeline
PLS 1011: Introduction to Political Science (GE Area E)		1st semester
PLS 2010: Introduction to American Government (GE Area D1)		Check if completed
PLS 2020: Introduction to Comparative Government		Check if completed
PLS 2030: Introduction to International Relations		Check if completed
PLS 2040: Introduction to Political Thought		Check if completed
PLS 2051: Introduction to Research Methods		1st year
PLS 2060 or PLS 2080: Public Administration or Race-Ethnic Politics		Before end of year 1
PLS 2070: Introduction to Public Law		Before end of year 1
PLS 3055: Advanced Research Methods		2nd year

Political Science Upper-Division Elective Courses (8 courses)	Complete?	Timeline
American Politics or Public Administration upper-division		1st or 2nd year
American Politics or Public Administration upper-division		1st or 2nd year
International Relations or Comparative Politics upper-division		1st or 2nd year
International Relations or Comparative Politics upper-division		1st or 2nd year
Public Law or Political Theory upper-division		1st or 2nd year
Public Law or Political Theory upper-division		1st or 2nd year
Your choice of any upper-division political science		1st or 2nd year
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Political Capstone (2 courses)	Complete?	Timeline
Senior Thesis I (PLS 4610) or Senior Internship I (PLS 4411)		Fall of 2nd year
Senior Thesis II (PLS 4620) or Senior Internship II (PLS 4412)		Spring of 2nd year

Unrestricted electives (between 4-8 courses)	Complete?	Timeline
Take any courses in order to finish and reach 120 overall units		Throughout 2 years

*Transfer students will complete a good number of courses at community college (ADT or AA certified)