

CALIFORNIA STATE POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY, POMONA  
ACADEMIC SENATE

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS COMMITTEE  
REPORT TO  
THE ACADEMIC SENATE  
AP-007-167

BA IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

Academic Programs Committee

Date: 11/02/2016

Executive Committee  
Received and Forwarded

Date: 11/16/2016

Academic Senate

Date: 11/30/2016  
First Reading

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BACKGROUND: The Department of Political Science has put forward a referral for BA in Political Science for semesters. This is a revisioned program.

The department proposed revisioned program to reflect the goals and the objectives of the program.

RESOURCES CONSULTED:

Deans  
Associate Deans  
Department Chairs  
All Faculty

DISCUSSION:

Before reaching the Academic Programs Committee, this program was reviewed by the College Curriculum Committee in the College of Letters Arts and Social Sciences as well as the Dean of CLASS and the Office of Academic Programs. All concerns raised at those levels were addressed. The Academic Programs Committee then conducted campus-wide consultation, as well as its own review of the program. No concerns were raised.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Academic Programs Committee recommends approval of the semester program BA in Political Science.

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**Curriculum Sheet**Plan (Major) Political ScienceCatalog Year 2018-19Minimum Units 120

STATUS of Conversion as of OCT. 9, 2015

<b>Political Science Required Courses</b>	Course	Units		<b>General Education Requirement</b>	Course	Units
Introduction to Political Science (E)	PLS 1011	3				
Introduction to American Government (D2)	PLS 2010	3		Area A. Communication and Critical Thinking.		<b>9</b>
Introduction to Comparative Politics (D3)	PLS 2020	3		Area B. Mathematics and Natural Sciences		<b>12</b>
Introduction to International Rel. (D3)	PLS 2030	3		Area C. Humanities		12
Introduction to Political Thought	PLS 2040	3		Area D. Social Science		<b>12</b>
Introduction to Research Methods	PLS 2051/a	3		Area E. Lifelong Understanding and Development		<b>3</b>
Introduction to Public Administration (D3)	PLS 2060	3				
Introduction to Public Law	PLS 2070	3				
Advanced Research Methods	PLS 3055	3				
Senior Thesis OR Senior Internship	PLS 4610, PLS 4620 OR PLS 4650, PLS 4660	3, 3 OR 3,3		American Institutions		(3)
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>33</b>		<b>Total Units</b>		<b>48</b>

<b>Political Science Upper Division Elective Courses</b>			<b>Unrestricted Electives 15-24</b>
American Government and Pub. Admin. PLS __ PLS __		6	The number of unrestricted electives will depend on whether students fulfill GE D2, D4, and E with PLS courses.
International Relations and Comparative Pol. PLS __ PLS __		6	
Public Law and Political Theory PLS __ PLS __		6	
Additional Upper Division Political Science PLS __ PLS __		6	
<b>Total upper division elective units</b>		<b>24</b>	<b>Total PLS Major Units 57</b> <b>Total 72</b>

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Course offerings			Course Offerings		
<b>American</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Units</b>	<b>Public Law</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Units</b>
PLS 3250	American Congress	3	PLS 3011	Constitutional Law: govt. powers	3
PLS 3260	American Presidency	3	PLS 3021	Constitutional Law: rights/liberties	3
PLS 3270	American Judiciary	3	PLS 3031	Constitutional Law: criminal process	3
PLS 4205	American Political Inst. & Beh.	3	PLS 3041	Criminal Justice System	3
PLS 4211	The Electoral Process	3	PLS 4050	Jurisprudence	3
PLS 4231	Race and Ethnic Politics	3	PLS 4090	Contemporary Issues in Am. Law	3
PLS 4245	Public Opinion	3			
PLS 4250	Women and Politics in America	3			
PLS 4265	Political Comm. and Media	3			
PLS 4811	California Gov. (fulfills D4)	3			
<b>Public Admin</b>		<b>Units</b>	<b>Political Theory</b>		<b>Units</b>
PLS 3150	Politics of Public Policy	3	PLS 3311	Ancient and Medieval Pol. Thought	3
PLS 3165	Urban Politics and Policy	3	PLS 3321	Modern Political Thought	3
PLS 3175	NGOs & Social Service Outreach	3	PLS 3331	American Political Thought	3
PLS 4160	Public Organizations	3	PLS 4341	American Political Thought II	3
PLS 4170	Policy Analysis & Program Evaluation	3	PLS 4360	Contemporary Political Thought	3
			PLS 4381	Environmental Political Theory	3
<b>Comparative</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Units</b>	<b>Other PLS</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Units</b>
PLS 3420	Politics of Developing Areas	3	PLS 3080/a	Mock trial	3
PLS 3431	Ethnic Conflict	3	PLS 3821	Politics, Policies, Pop Culture (fulfills D4)	3
PLS 4410	European Gov. and Politics	3	PLS 4221	Campaign Management	3
PLS 4450	Sub-Saharan African	3	PLS 4800	Politics of Need and Greed (fulfills D4)	3
PLS 4440	Latin American Gov. and Politics	3	PLS 3711a/3711	Political Science Internship	3
PLS 4460	Middle Eastern Gov. and politics	3	CLS 3810	Judicial Internship	2/1
PLS 4470	Russian Gov. and Politics	3	SSC 4100	Study of Peace: MNUN	1-3
PLS 4480	East Asian Gov. and Politics	3			
PLS 4490	Southeast Asian Gov. and Pol.	3			
<b>Int'l. Relations</b>		<b>Units</b>			
PLS 3515	International Relations Theory	3	white (50 )	conversion on university system	
PLS 3521	U.S. Foreign Policy	3	blue (02)	CLS courses	
PLS 3541	International Political Economy	3	converted (14)	converted but pending launch in Curriculog	
PLS 3551	International War and Peace	3		78% on system; 22% pending	
PLS 3561	International Law	3			
PLS 4521	Environmental Security	3			
PLS 4531	Terrorism/Transnational Crime	3			
PLS 4541	Int'l Human Rights	3			
PLS 4551	Int'l Environmental Policy	3			
PLS 4561	Int'l Environmental Policy	3			
			<b>Total 64</b>		

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**Curriculum Year: 2018-2019**

*Your department has developed this road plan, taking into account prerequisites and schedule restrictions.*

*Students should pay attention to these concerns when deviating from this plan.*

	Fall	Units	Spring	Units	Comment
	<b>Year 1</b>	PLS 1010 (Fulfills GE Area E)	3	PLS 2030	3
PLS 2010 (Fulfills GE Area D2)		3	PLS 2060	3	
GE A2 (Eng.1101 or 1103)		3	GE B4 (STA 1200 recommended or Math 1250)	3	
GE D1 (HST 2020 recommended)		3	GE A1 (Com 1100 or Com 2204)	3	
Unrestricted Elective		3	Unrestricted Elective	3	
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>Total Units</b>	<b>15</b>	
<b>Total Units for Year</b>				<b>30</b>	
<b>Year 2</b>	PLS 2020	3	PLS 2070	3	<i>General Education: GE B3- Science lab may be included in B1 and/or B2, but may also be taken separately.            Majors should complete 1010, 2010, 2020, 2030, 2040, 2051, 2060, and 2070 by the end of their second year or their first year in residency, whichever comes later.</i>
	PLS 2040	3	PLS 2051/a	3	
	GE A3 (PHL 2020 or Eng1105)	3	GE B2 (may include lab B3)	3	
	GE B1 (may include lab B3)	3	GE D3 (EC2201 or EC2202)	3	
	GE C1	3	Unrestricted Elective	3	
	<b>Total Units</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Total Units</b>	<b>15</b>	
	<b>Total Units for Year</b>				

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Year 3	Fall	Units	Spring	Units	Comment	
	PLS Elective IR/Comp.	3	PLS Elective Am/Pub. Adm.	3	<i>PLS Electives are upper division courses in Political Science. See Curriculum Sheet for requirements.</i>	
	PLS Elective Public Law/Theory	3	PLS Elective IR/Comp.	3		
	PLS 3055/a	3	PLS Elective (recommended PLS 3711 Internship)	3		
	GE C2	3	GE C3	3	<i>All GE Area A courses and all lower division GE courses in a GE area must be completed before taking the GE Synthesis course in that area.</i>	
	Unrestricted Elective	3	Unrestricted Elective	3		
	<i>Take the Graduation Writing Test</i>					<i>The Graduation Writing Test must be taken before completion of 90 units.</i>
	<b>Total Units</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Total Units</b>	<b>15</b>		
<b>Total Units for Year</b>				<b>30</b>		
Year 4	Fall	Units	Spring	Units	Comment	
	PLS 4610 or 4650	3	PLS 4620 or PLS 4660	3	<i>The Senior Thesis 4610-4620 and the Senior Internship are two-course sequences 4650 - 4660 and one sequence must be taken in the student's final year. This means that graduating seniors should be enrolled in either PLS 4610 or PLS 4650 in their final fall semester.</i>	
	PLS Elective Public Law/Theory	3	PLS Elective Am/Pub. Adm.	3		
	GE D4 (designated PLS Elective)	3	GE C4	3		
	GE B5	3	Unrestricted Elective	3		
	Unrestricted Elective	3	Unrestricted Elective	3		
	<i>File an application to graduate</i>					
<b>Total Units</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Total Units</b>	<b>15</b>			
<b>Total Units for Year</b>				<b>30</b>		
<b>Total Units on Plan</b>				<b>120</b>		
<b>Major &amp; Option Core Units</b>				<b>57</b>		
<b>General Education Units</b>				<b>48</b>		
<b>Unrestricted Elective Units</b>				<b>15-24</b>		

**Political Science Transfer/Two-year Road Map  
Curriculum Year: 2018-2019**

Year 1	Fall	Units	Spring	Units	Comment	
	PLS 1010 (Fulfills GE Area E)	3	PLS Elective Am/Pub. Adm.	3	* If students have not completed all the Political Science Major Core courses (2020-2070, introductory courses), then exchange those courses for the Unrestricted electives courses, but take them before moving to the PLS Elective Courses, which are the upper division Political Science courses	
	PLS Elective Public Law/Theory	3	PLS Elective IR/Comp.	3		
	PLS 3055	3	PLS Additional Elective (recommended PLS 3711 Internship)	3		
	GE C4	3	PLS Elective IR/Comp.	3		
	Unrestricted Elective/ or PLS Intro	3	Unrestricted Elective/ or PLS Intro	3		
	<i>Take the Graduation Writing Test</i>					
	<b>Total Units</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Total Units</b>	<b>15</b>		
<b>Total Units for Year</b>			<b>30</b>			
Year 2	Fall	Units	Spring	Units	Comment	
	PLS 4610 or 4650	3	PLS 4620 or PLS 4660	3	The Senior Thesis sequence 4610-4620 and the Senior Internship sequence 4650 - 4660 are only offered fall and winter quarters, which means that graduating seniors should be enrolled in either PLS 4610 or PLS 4650 in their final fall.	
	PLS Elective Public Law/Theory	3	PLS Elective Am/Pub. Adm.	3		
	GE D4 (designated PLS Additional Elective)	3	GE B5	3		
	Unrestricted Elective/ or PLS Intro	3	Unrestricted Elective/ or PLS Intro	3		
	Unrestricted Elective/ or PLS Intro	3	Unrestricted Elective/ or PLS Intro	3		
	<i>File an application to graduate</i>					
	<b>Total Units</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Total Units</b>	<b>15</b>		
<b>Total Units for Year</b>			<b>30</b>			

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<b>Total Units on Plan</b>	<b>60</b>	<i>This educational plan assumes that students use PLS courses to fulfill GE Areas E and D4.</i>
<b>Major&amp; Option Core Units</b>	36	
<b>General Education Units</b>	9	
<b>Unrestricted Elective Units</b>	18	



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## Political Science Projected Two-Year Course Schedule

Academic Year 2018-19

Academic Year 2019-20

PLS Course	Fall	Spring	Summer		Fall	Spring	Summer
1010	X	X			X	X	
2010	X	X	X		X	X	X
2020	X	X			X	X	
2030	X	X			X	X	
2040	X	X			X	X	
2051/A	X	X			X	X	
2060	X	X			X	X	
2070	X	X			X	X	
3055	X				X		
3080/A	X				X		
3011	X					X	
3021		X					
3031					X		
3041	X	X			X	X	
3150		X				X	
3165		X				X	
3175	X				X		
3250	X				X		
3260		X				X	
3270					X		
3311	X						
3321		X					
3331		X					
3420	X						
3431					X		
3515	X						
3521		X					
3541					X		
3551						X	
3561		X					
3711/A	X	X			X	X	
3821						X	
4050	X						
4090					X		
4160		X					
4170/A						X	
4205	X	X			X	X	
4211	X						
4221	X						
4231	X						
4245		X					
4250						X	
4265					X		
4341						X	
4360		X					
4381	X						
4410		X					
4420		X					
4440						X	
4460						X	

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<b>4470</b>	X						
<b>4480</b>					X		
<b>4490</b>						X	
<b>4521</b>	X						
<b>4531</b>		X					
<b>4541</b>					X		
<b>4551</b>						X	
<b>4561</b>		X					
<b>4610/4620</b>	X	X			X	X	
<b>4650A/4660</b>	X	X			X	X	
<b>4800</b>		X			X		
<b>4811</b>	X				X		

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## **Assessment Plan Political Science Department - Semesters**

### **Mission**

The Political Science Department of the California State Polytechnic University Pomona, a collaborative learning community, seeks positive and significant impact in the world by:

- Acquiring and conveying substantive knowledge about politics, government and public life,
- Encouraging our students to develop certain critical skills necessary for informed, active participation in political communities, and
- Facilitating and encouraging experiential learning as a complement to the traditional pedagogies of the academy.

### **Vision**

Our vision is not just to learn and teach about civic life, but also to engage in and encourage others to belong in civic life.

### **Department Learning Objectives**

Upon completion of our BA in Political Science students will be able to:

1. Conduct library research on political science topics using a variety of scholarly and current resources.
2. Analyze quantitative and qualitative data.
3. Effectively present arguments, both about research and political positions, orally and in writing.
4. Learn about politics and government from experience.
5. Demonstrate knowledge of and the ability to think critically about the processes and institutions of American Government.
6. Demonstrate knowledge of and the ability to think critically about the processes and institutions of governmental systems other than that of the United States and about international relations.
7. Demonstrate knowledge of and the ability to think critically about the theoretical and legal underpinnings of political systems and processes.

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## Political Science Department Learning Objectives and Assessments by course

The columns represent the learning objectives and the rows the PLS course. In this matrix I=introduction, D= developing and M= mastery, A= Assessment data collected.

<b>PLS</b>	<b>1. Library Skills</b>	<b>2. Quant Data Analysis</b>	<b>3. Qual Data Analysis</b>	<b>4. Oral Argumentation</b>	<b>5. Written Argumentation</b>	<b>6. Learn from Exper.</b>	<b>7. American Govt./PA</b>	<b>8. IR/Comparative</b>	<b>9. Legal/Theory</b>
1010	I, A		I, A	I	I, A		I, A	I, A	I, A
2010					I		I, A		I
2020	I		I	I	I			I, A	
2030	I		I	I	I			I, A	
2040	I		I	I	I				I, A
2051	I, A	I, A	I, A		I	I	I	I	
2060	I		I	I	I		I, A		
2070	I		I	I	I		I		I, A
3055	D, A	D, A	D, A		D		D	D	
3080/A	D			D	D	D	D		D
3011	D		D	D	D		D		D
3021	D		D	D	D		D		D
3031	D		D	D	D		D		D
3041	D		D	D	D		D		D
3150	D	D	D	D	D		D		
3165	D	D	D	D	D		D		
3175	D		D	D	D	D	D	D	
3250	D		D	D	D		D		
3260	D		D	D	D		D		
3270	D		D	D	D		D		
3311	D		D	D	D				D
3321	D		D	D	D				D
3331	D		D	D	D				D
3420	D		D	D	D			D	
3431	D	D	D	D	D			D	
3515	D	D	D	D	D			D	
3521	D	D	D	D	D			D	

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<b>PLS</b>	<b>1. Library Skills</b>	<b>2. Quant Data Analysis</b>	<b>3. Qual Data Analysis</b>	<b>4. Oral Argumentation</b>	<b>5. Written Argumentation</b>	<b>6. Learn from Exper.</b>	<b>7. American Govt./PA</b>	<b>8. IR/Comparative</b>	<b>9. Legal/Theory</b>
3541	D	D	D	D	D			D	
3551	D	D	D	D	D			D	
3561	D	D	D	D	D			D	
3711/A	D	D	D	D	D	D, A			
3821	D		D	D	D		D		
4050	D		D	D	D		D		D
4090	D		D	D	D		D		D
4160	D		D	D	D		D		
4170/A		M	M	M	M	M	M		
4205			D	D	D	D	D		
4211	D	D	D		D		D		
4221	D	D	D	D	D		D		
4231	D	D	D	D	D		D		
4245	D	D	D		D		D		
4250	D		D	D	D		D		
4265	D	D	D		D		D		
4341	D		D	D	D		D		D
4360	D		D	D	D				D
4381	D		D	D	D				D
4410	D		D	D	D			D	
4420	D		D	D	D			D	
4440	D		D	D	D			D	
4460	D		D	D	D			D	
4470	D		D	D	D			D	
4480	D		D	D	D			D	
4490	D		D	D	D			D	
4521	D		D	D	D			D	
4531	D		D	D	D			D	
4541	D		D	D	D			D	
4551	D		D	D	D			D	D
4561	D		D	D	D			D	
4610/4620	M, A	M, A	M, A	M, A	M, A				



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<b>Political Science Learning outcomes</b>	<b>Assessment Mechanisms by year and course</b>			
	<b>1st Year</b>	<b>2nd Yr</b>	<b>3rd Yr</b>	<b>Final Yr</b>
<b>Demonstrate ability to conduct library research using a variety of resources</b>	PLS 1010 Course embedded project or exam		PLS 3051 Course embedded project or exam	PLS 4610-20 Senior Theses PLS 4650-60 Senior Internship/ Paper
<b>Ability to analyze quantitative and qualitative data</b>	PLS 1010 Course embedded project or exam		PLS 3051 Course embedded project or exam	PLS 4610-20 Senior Theses PLS 4650-60 Senior Internship/ Paper
<b>Present arguments, both about research and political positions, orally and in writing</b>	PLS 1010 Course embedded project or exam			PLS 4610-20 Senior Theses/ Conference PLS 4650-60 Senior Internship/ Paper
<b>Learn about politics and government from experience</b>			PLS 3711 Internship Course embedded project	PLS 4650-60 Senior Internship/ Paper
<b>Think critically about the process and institutions of American Government</b>	PLS 1010 Course embedded project or exam	PLS 2010, 2060, 2070 Course Embedded project or exam <sup>1</sup>		PLS 4610-20 Senior Theses PLS 4650-60 Senior Internship/ Paper
<b>Think critically about the processes and institutions of governmental systems other than that of the United States and about</b>	PLS 1010 Course embedded project or exam	PLS 2020, 2030 Course Embedded project or exam		PLS 4610-20 Senior Theses PLS 4650-60 Senior Internship/ Paper

<sup>1</sup> PLS 2000 level courses can be taken first or second year, or third for transfer students.

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<b>international relations.</b>				
<b>Think critically about the theoretical and legal underpinnings of political systems and processes.</b>	PLS 1010 Course embedded project or exam	PLS 2040, 2070 Course Embedded project or exam		PLS 4610-20 Senior Theses  PLS 4650-60 Senior Internship/Paper <sup>2</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> Senior Thesis and Internship assessment for the last three Department learning objectives will depend on the topic of the internship and paper research.



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## **6. High Impact Classes**

PLS 1010 Introduction to Political Science - First Year Experience

PLS 3711/A Internship in Political Science

PLS 4610-20 Senior Thesis - capstone research paper

PLS 4650-60 Senior Internship - capstone internship and research paper

Credit for study abroad.