Bachelor of Science (BS) Degree in Political Science  
(2011-12 Through 2012-13 Academic Year)

This checklist is intended as a convenient guide only. The authoritative source on curriculum requirements is Clemson University’s Undergraduate Announcements for a student’s curriculum year, as interpreted by the University administration.

General Education Departmental Requirements

1. English Composition (3 hours)
   - ENGL 103

2. Advanced Writing\(^1\) (3 hours; choose one course\(^2\))
   - ENGL 304
   - ENGL 312
   - ENGL 314
   - ENGL 316
   - ENGL 345
   - ENGL 346
   - ENGL 347
   - ENGL 348
   - ML 402
   - THEA 347

3. Oral Communication (3 hours; choose one course)
   - COMM 150
   - COMM 250
   - HON H223
   - ML 101/102
   - AS 309/310
   - AS 409/410

4. Literature (3 hours; choose one course)
   - ENGL 202
   - ENGL 212
   - ENGL 213
   - ENGL 214
   - ENGL 215
   - CHIN 401
   - FR 300
   - FR 304
   - GER 260
   - GER 306
   - GER 360
   - GER 361
   - HON H190
   - HON H221
   - ITAL 302
   - JAPN 401
   - JAPN 406
   - ML 402
   - ML 405
   - SPAN 311
   - SPAN 313

5. Mathematics (9 hours—choose one course from each group)
   - MTHSC 102/106/107
   - MTHSC 108/207
   - MTHSC 301/EX ST 301/MTHSC 309

6. Natural Science (8 hours; choose one sequence)
   - 1  ASTR 101+103
   - 2  BIOL 103+105
   - 3  BIOL 110
   - 4  BIOL 109
   - 5  CH 101
   - 6  CH 105
   - 7  GEOL 101+103
   - 8  GEOL 101+103
   - 9  PH SC 107
   - 10  PHYS 122+124
   - 11  PHYS 207+209
   - 12  PHYS 221/223

   *Note: In the BIOL 120 series for the fourth sequence above, students must take BIOL 120 plus one of the other Biology courses from the list (BIOL 121, 122, 123, or 124)

7. Economics (6 hours)
   - ECON 211
   - ECON 212

8. Academic and Professional Development (2 hours)
   - POSC 199\(^3\)
   - POSC 499\(^4\)

\(^1\)Advanced Writing is the first among several writing courses. Students are encouraged to take more than one.
\(^2\)Students may choose courses from other departments.
\(^3\)POSC 199 may be used as an introduction to research or the senior project, or as a capstone course.
\(^4\)POSC 499 may be used as an introduction to research or the senior project, or as a capstone course.
9. **Science and Technology in Society** (3 hours; choose one approved STS course listed at the following link: http://www.clemson.edu/sts):

10. **Foreign Language** (6 hours; choose one sequence)

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11. **Logic/Philosophy of Science** (3 hours; choose one course)

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12. **Humanities— Philosophy/Religion** (3 hours; choose one course)

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13. **Additional Philosophy/Religion** (3 hours; choose any Philosophy or Religion course or CHIN 312; CHIN 313; or NURS 350)

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**Political Science Major:**

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2. **Introduction to International Relations/Comparative Politics** (3 hours; choose one course)

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3. **Political Science Requirement** (3 hours; choose any 300/400-level Political Science course)

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4. **Distribution Requirement** (6 hours)³

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**PLUS REQUIREMENTS OUTLINED IN ONE OF THE FIVE**
CONCENTRATIONS LISTED ON THE NEXT TWO PAGES**
Political Science Bachelor of Science Major Concentrations

Students following the Bachelor of Science (BS) curriculum must choose one of the following five concentrations listed below (American politics, global politics, political economy, public administration, or public policy) to declare and complete for their degree.

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**Advanced Political Science Requirement (3 hours)**

**Public Administration Requirements (18 hours)**

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**General Electives** (Additional hours to complete the total credit hour requirement for graduation)

(5) **PUBLIC POLICY CONCENTRATION**

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**General Electives** (Additional hours to complete the total credit hour requirement for graduation)
Approved American and Global Politics Courses
for the Political Science Bachelor of Science Degree

American Politics Courses
PO SC 302 State and Local Government
PO SC 321 Public Administration
PO SC 343 The Mass Media in American Politics
PO SC 381 African American Politics
PO SC 389 Selected Topics (by permission only) ¹¹
PO SC 403 United States Congress
PO SC 405 The American Presidency
PO SC 407 Religion and American Politics
PO SC 409 Directed Study in American Politics
PO SC 416 Interest Groups and Social Movements
PO SC 421 Public Policy
PO SC 423 Urban Politics
PO SC 424 Federalism and Intergovernmental Relations
PO SC 427 Public Management
PO SC 430 Public Policy Evaluation
PO SC 436 Law, Courts, and Politics
PO SC 437 American Constitutional Law: Rights and Liberties
PO SC 438 American Constitutional Law: Structures of Government
PO SC 442 Political Parties and Elections
PO SC 453 American Political Thought
PO SC 454 Southern Politics
PO SC 455 Political Thought of the American Founding
PO SC 461 American Diplomacy and Politics
PO SC 480 Gender and Politics
PO SC 482 The Political Novel and Film
PO SC 489 Selected Topics (by permission only) ¹¹

Global Politics Courses
PO SC 361 International Politics in Crisis
PO SC 362 International Organizations
PO SC 363 United States Foreign Policy
PO SC 367 Political Risk Assessment
PO SC 371 European Politics
PO SC 372 Political Culture of East Asia
PO SC 375 European Integration
PO SC 389 Selected Topics (by permission only) ¹¹
PO SC 410 Directed Study in International Politics
PO SC 428 National Security Policy
PO SC 429 Global Issues
PO SC 456 Diplomacy: The Art of Negotiation
PO SC 457 Political Terrorism
PO SC 459 Ethnic Violence
PO SC 466 African Politics
PO SC 471 Russian Politics
PO SC 472 Japanese Politics
PO SC 473 Eurasian Politics
PO SC 476 Politics of the Middle East
PO SC 477 Chinese Politics
PO SC 478 Latin American Politics
PO SC (LANG) 485 Global Affairs and Governments
PO SC 489 Selected Topics (by permission only) ¹¹

¹ Students in the 09-10 catalog year and beyond are exempt from the Advanced Writing requirement.
² Other courses may be substituted for this requirement. See University General Education Requirements.
³ Course should be taken during the second semester of the freshman year for those entering Clemson as political science majors, or during the first semester as a political science major for those students changing majors to political science after entering Clemson.
⁴ Course should be taken during one of the semesters in the last year of coursework before graduation.
⁵ Students must satisfy the prerequisite 101 and 102 language courses before enrolling in a 201 language course.
⁶ See list of approved American and global politics courses for the political science Bachelor of Science degree on page five of this sheet.
⁷ Any 300- or 400-level courses in Political Science
⁸ Six hours chosen from ECON 301, 302, 309, 310, 315, 319, 402, 404, 410, 412, 413, 419, 420, 422, 425, 427, 428, 440, or HIST 325, 327
⁹ Public Administration courses chosen from a list of approved courses by the Department of Political Science or with the approval of the Director of Undergraduate Studies in Political Science. The approved list is located in the main political science office in Brackett 232.
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¹¹ Requires the approval of the Director of Undergraduate Studies in Political Science.

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