

**Executive Committee**  
**College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences**  
**Report to Riverside Division**  
**May 21, 2019**

**To be adopted:**

Proposed changes to the Political Science/Public Service Major (BA)

**PRESENT:**

The major requirements for the B.A. degree in Political Science/Public Service are as follows. Note that the prerequisite for POSC 198-I is a GPA of 2.70 or better.

**1. Lower-division requirements  
(five courses [at least 20-25 units])**

- a) POSC 010 or POSC 010H or POSC 010W
- b) One course from POSC 005 or POSC 005H or POSC 005W, POSC 007, POSC 015 or POSC 015H or POSC 017, POSC 020 or POSC 020H
- c) ECON 003
- d) SOC 004
- e) SOC 005 or STAT 040

Students in the major must complete two of the lower-division Political Science courses with a grade of “C” or better in order to take upper-division political science courses.

**2. Upper-division requirements  
(11 courses [at least 40-48 units])**

- a) Political Science distribution: choose one course from each group

**(1) Comparative Government and Politics Group:**

POSC 120, POSC 151, POSC 152, POSC 153, POSC 154, POSC 155 or POSC 155S, POSC 156, POSC 157, POSC 158/LNST 148, POSC 159 or POSC 159S, POSC 160 or POSC 160S, POSC 161/LNST 188, POSC 162/LNST 142 or POSC 162S/LNST 142S, POSC 163 or POSC 163S, POSC 164 or POSC 164S, POSC 165 or POSC 165S, POSC 178 or POSC 178S, POSC 188 or POSC 188S

**PROPOSED:**

The major requirements for the B.A. degree in Political Science/Public Service are as follows. Note that the prerequisite for POSC 198-I is a GPA of 2.70 or better.

No change.

**2. Upper-division requirements  
(11 courses [at least 40-48 units])**

- a) Political Science distribution: choose one course from each group

**(1) Comparative Government and Politics Group:**

POSC 109/RLST 173, POSC 120, POSC 151 or POSC 151S, POSC 152, POSC 153, POSC 154, POSC 155 or POSC 155S, POSC 156, POSC 157 or POSC 157S, POSC 158/LNST 148, POSC 159 or POSC 159S, POSC 160 or POSC 160S, POSC 161/LNST 188, POSC 162/LNST 142 or POSC 162S/LNST 142S, POSC 163 or POSC 163S, POSC 164 or POSC 164S, POSC 165 or POSC 165S, POSC 178 or POSC 178S, POSC 188 or POSC 188S

**(2) International Relations and Foreign Policy Group:** POSC

123, POSC 124 or POSC 124S, POSC 125, POSC 126 or POSC 126S, POSC 127 or POSC 127S, POSC 128, POSC 129, POSC 130, POSC 132 or POSC 132S, POSC 134 or POSC 134S, POSC 135, POSC 137 or POSC 137S, POSC 138 or POSC 138S, POSC 139 or POSC 139S, POSC 147 or POSC 147S, POSC 150 or POSC 150S, POSC 169

**(3) Political Theory Group:** POSC 106 or POSC 106S, POSC 110 or POSC 110S, POSC 111 or POSC 111S, POSC 112 or POSC 112S, POSC 113, POSC 115 or POSC 115S, POSC 116, POSC 117, POSC 119, POSC 121/CLA 121/CPAC 121 or POSC 121S/CLA 121S/CPAC 121S, POSC 122 or POSC 122S

b) Public Service requirement

- (1) POSC 181, POSC 183
- (2) Eight (8) units from POSC 198G and POSC 198-I (prerequisite: GPA of 2.70 or better)
- (3) An additional four courses from POSC 170, POSC 171, POSC 182, POSC 186

**Justification:**

POSC 136 or POSC 136S (course is new and never added to curriculum)

The underlined upper-division political science courses have been approved by the Committee on Courses and based on course content, need to be placed into the area of focus as course options. The four areas are U.S. Government and Politics, Comparative Government and Politics, International Relations and Foreign Policy, and Political Theory.

For POSC 109/RLST 173, please add POSC 109/RLST 173 as a course option in the Comparative Area. It is an omission that should have been caught sooner.

Updated courses to include the “S” versions  
POSC 151S, POSC 157S, POSC 116S, POSC 117S

**Approvals:**

Approved by the faculty of the Department of Political Science:  
Approved by the Executive Committee College of Humanities,  
Arts, and Social Sciences:  
Approved by the Committee on Educational Policy:

January 18, 2019

March 6, 2019

April 10, 2019

**(2) International Relations and Foreign Policy Group:** POSC

123, POSC 124 or POSC 124S, POSC 125, POSC 126 or POSC 126S, POSC 127 or POSC 127S, POSC 128, POSC 129, POSC 130, POSC 132 or POSC 132S, POSC 134 or POSC 134S, POSC 135, POSC 136 or POSC 136S, POSC 137 or POSC 137S, POSC 138 or POSC 138S, POSC 139 or POSC 139S, POSC 147 or POSC 147S, POSC 150 or POSC 150S, POSC 169

**(3) Political Theory Group:** POSC 106 or POSC 106S, POSC 110 or POSC 110S, POSC 111 or POSC 111S, POSC 112 or POSC 112S, POSC 113, POSC 115 or POSC 115S, POSC 116 or POSC 116S, POSC 117 or POSC 117S, POSC 119, POSC 121/CLA 121/CPAC 121 or POSC 121S/CLA 121S/CPAC 121S, POSC 122 or POSC 122S

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