

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 Major

PRESENT:

The major requirements for the B.A. degree in Political Science are as follows:

1. Lower-division requirements (four courses [at least 16-20 units]): one course from a, b, c, and d.

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

- a) POSC 005 or POSC 005H or POSC 005W or POSC 007
- b) POSC 010 or POSC 010H or POSC 010W
- c) POSC 015 or POSC 015H or POSC 017
- d) POSC 020 or POSC 020H

Upper-division requirements (nine courses [at least 36 units])

a) One course from each of the following areas:

- (1) **U.S. Government and Politics:** POSC 100, POSC 101, POSC 104 or 104S, POSC 108, POSC 143, POSC 144 or POSC 144S, POSC 145, POSC 146, POSC 148 or POSC 148H or POSC 148S, POSC 149, POSC 166, POSC 167, POSC 168, POSC 170, POSC 171, POSC 173 or POSC 173S, POSC 180 or POSC 180S, POSC 181, POSC 182, POSC 183, POSC 184 or POSC 184S, POSC 186
- (2) **Comparative Government and Politics:** 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

PROPOSED:

The major requirements for the B.A. degree in Political Science are as follows:

No change.

Upper-division requirements (nine courses [at least 36 units])

a) One course from each of the following areas:

- (1) **U.S. Government and Politics:** POSC 100, POSC 101, POSC 104 or 104S, POSC 108, POSC 143 or POSC 143S, POSC 144 or POSC 144S, POSC 145, POSC 146, POSC 148 or POSC 148H or POSC 148S, POSC 149, POSC 166, POSC 167, POSC 168, POSC 170, POSC 171, POSC 173 or POSC 173S, POSC 180 or POSC 180S, POSC 181, POSC 182, POSC 183, POSC 184 or POSC 184S, POSC 186
- (2) **Comparative Government and Politics:** 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/LNST142
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

3) International Relations and Foreign

Policy: POSC 123, POSC 124 or
POSC 124S, POSC 125, POSC 126
or POSC 126S, POSC 127 or POSC
127S, POSC128, 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

(4) **Political Theory:** 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,
POSC121/CLA 121/CPAC 121 or
POSC 121S /CLA 121S/CPAC 121S,
POSC 122 or POSC 122S

b) Five additional courses in Political
Science course work (Not more than 2
courses from the 190 series and POSC
142L and POSC 142M are allowed
toward the nine-course upper-division
requirement.)

A course in statistics is strongly recommended.

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 143S, POSC 151S, POSC 157S, POSC 116S, POSC 117S

161/LNST 188, POSC 162/LNST142
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

3) International Relations and Foreign

Policy: POSC 123, POSC 124 or
POSC 124S, POSC 125, POSC 126
or POSC 126S, POSC 127 or POSC
127S, POSC128, 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

(4) **Political Theory:** 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,
POSC121/CLA 121/CPAC 121 or
POSC 121S /CLA 121S/CPAC 121S,
POSC 122 or POSC 122S

No change.

Approvals:

Approved by the faculty of the Department of Political Science:

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