

# POLITICAL SCIENCE, BA WITH SECONDARY TEACHING LICENSURE ENDORSEMENT

## Introduction

Please click here (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-liberal-arts-sciences/political-science/>) to see Political Science department information.

Political science focuses on fundamental questions that go to the heart of the human experience. Political science students study critical issues such as war and peace, international affairs, environmental challenges, poverty and racism, and the struggles of oppressed peoples. Such study prepares students for various careers by building analytical and writing skills while encouraging independent thought, respect, and interest in current affairs. Graduates commonly work in fields such as law and government, nonprofit organizations, teaching, journalism, international organizations, business, and election campaigns.

The Political Science department prepares students for informed and creative activism by providing them an opportunity to develop analytical skills. The program incorporates historical, quantitative, experimental, ethnographic, psychological, and creative methodologies while aiming to sensitize students to the essential questions of politics and life. Many of our graduates are community organizers, attorneys or public servants in local, state or federal government. We have become nationally known for our programs in indigenous politics, international human rights, and inner-city community development. Students will find ample opportunity to explore the innovative community engagement programs while receiving real-world experience in a variety of professional and community settings.

The secondary licensure program is a partnership program between the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (CLAS) and the School of Education & Human Development (SEHD). Secondary Education Licensure students choose a major within CLAS and complete all CORE, CLAS, major, and initial teacher education admission requirements before completing a final professional year of licensure coursework through the SEHD.

## Program Delivery

- This is an on-campus program.

## Declaring This Major

- Click here (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/records-registration/registration/declare-change-major-minor/>) to go to information about declaring a major.

## General Requirements

To earn a degree, students must satisfy all requirements in each of the areas below, in addition to their individual major requirements.

- CU Denver General Graduation Requirements (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/graduation/general-graduation-requirements/>)
- CU Denver Core Curriculum (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/graduation-undergraduate-core-requirements/>)

- College of Liberal Arts & Sciences Graduation Requirements (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-liberal-arts-sciences/#graduationrequirementstext>)
- Click here (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/>) for information about Academic Policies

## Program Requirements

1. Students must complete a minimum of 39 PSCI credit hours. Students must complete courses to prepare for the Social Studies Praxis exam and complete SEHD teacher licensure requirements.
2. Students must complete a minimum of 21 upper division (3000-level and above) PSCI credit hours.
3. Students must earn a minimum grade of C- (1.7) in all major courses taken at CU Denver and must achieve a minimum cumulative major GPA of 2.0. All graded attempts in required and elective courses are calculated in the major GPA. Students cannot complete major or ancillary course requirements as pass/fail.
4. Students must complete a minimum of 15 PSCI credit hours with CU Denver faculty.

## Program Restrictions, Allowances and Recommendations

**Students are responsible for meeting with the advisor in the SEHD to confirm teacher education and licensure requirements.** In addition to completing all minimum program requirements above, SEHD secondary education students must complete the following minimum SEHD licensure (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/school-education-human-development/education-human-development/secondary-education-licensure-clas-major-pathway/#text>) requirements:

1. Complete the Education Declaration form and all subsequent processes and requirements, including a background check, prior to April 1<sup>st</sup> (for students intending to complete their clinical field experience in fall) or November 1<sup>st</sup> (for students intending to complete their clinical field experience in spring). Students must meet with the SEHD advisor for detailed information.
2. Student pursuing secondary education licensure must complete the following requirements to be admitted to the Professional (final) Year:
  - a. a minimum cumulative CU GPA of 3.0 or higher. Students with a lower GPA may be considered under certain conditions.
  - b. all CU Denver Core, CLAS, major, electives, and initial teacher education coursework requirements prior to the start of the Professional Year
  - c. the official application and interview process
  - d. Deadlines for Professional Year application are March 1<sup>st</sup> (for students intending to begin Professional Year in fall) or October 1<sup>st</sup> (for students intending to begin Professional Year in spring).
3. Students must complete all initial teacher education and professional (final) year coursework with a minimum grade of B- or higher.
4. Students must pass the appropriate Praxis exam before the start of the second semester of the Professional Year.

## PSCI Required Courses

Code	Title	Hours
<i>Take all of the following courses:</i>		9
PSCI 1001	Introduction to Political Science: The Quest for Freedom and Justice	3
PSCI 1101	American Political System	3
PSCI 2011	Logic of Political Inquiry <sup>1</sup>	3

<sup>1</sup> This course must be taken by all majors as part of their first 24 credit hours in the program. If this requirement poses a hardship due to such issues as late-declaring majors, scheduling problems, or students transferring in multiple credits, please contact the Department undergraduate advisor to craft a solution.

## Political Theory

Code	Title	Hours
<i>Take two of the following:</i>		6
PSCI 4057	Religion and Politics	3
PSCI 4207	Theories of Social and Political Change	3
PSCI 4407	Early Political Thought	3
PSCI 4417	Modern Political Thought	3
PSCI 4427	Law, Politics and Justice	3
PSCI 4457	American Political Thought	3

## American Politics

Code	Title	Hours
<i>Take one of the following</i>		3
PSCI 3034 or PSCI 3035	Race, Gender, Law and Public Policy <sup>1</sup> Political Movements: Race and Gender	3
PSCI 3064	Power and Empowerment in the United States	3
PSCI 3214	Federal Law and American Indians	3
PSCI 3347	Film and Politics	3
PSCI 3914	The Urban Citizen	3
PSCI 4009	Politics of the Budgetary Process	3
PSCI 4014	Media and Politics	3
PSCI 4024	State Politics: Focus Colorado	3
PSCI 4025	Local Governance and Globalization	3
PSCI 4034	Political Parties and Pressure Groups	3
PSCI 4044	The Presidency	3
PSCI 4074	Urban Politics	3
PSCI 4075	Gentrification and Social Equity	3
PSCI 4084	Local Government and Administration	3
PSCI 4094	Seminar: American Politics	3
PSCI 4124	Denver Politics	3
PSCI 4236	American Foreign Policy	3
PSCI 4237	American National Security	3
PSCI 4330	U.S. Health Policy	3
PSCI 4354	Environmental Politics	3
PSCI 4414	Non-Profits and Social Change	3
PSCI 4444	Contemporary Culture and Politics in America	3
PSCI 4477	Constitutional Law I	3
PSCI 4487	Constitutional Law II	3
PSCI 4494	Judicial Politics	3

PSCI 4535	Labor and Working Class Politics	3
PSCI 4545	Immigration Politics	3
PSCI 4554	Chicano and Latino Politics	3
PSCI 4726	Seminar on U.S. and China Relations	3
PSCI 4827	Women and the Law	3
PSCI 4837	Contemporary Issues in Civil Liberties	3
PSCI 4914	Community Organizing and Community Development	3

<sup>1</sup> PSCI 3034 Race, Gender, Law and Public Policy or PSCI 3035 Political Movements: Race and Gender will also count as CU Denver Core Cultural Diversity, so students are advised to complete one of these courses.

## Comparative Politics

Code	Title	Hours
<i>Take one of the following</i>		3
PSCI 3022	Political Systems of the World <sup>2</sup>	3
PSCI 4085	Comparative Governance: Environment and Society	3
PSCI 4105	Comparative Politics: Europe	3
PSCI 4115	Third World Politics	3
PSCI 4144	Indigenous Political Systems	3
PSCI 4146	Indigenous Politics	3
PSCI 4150	Gender Politics in the Middle East: Beyond Orientalism & Islamism	3
PSCI 4155	Political Systems of the Middle East and North Africa	3
PSCI 4156	The Arab-Israeli Peace Process	3
PSCI 4165	Islamic Politics and Culture	3
PSCI 4186	East Asia in World Affairs	3
PSCI 4195	Political Systems of Sub-Saharan Africa	3
PSCI 4206	Social Movements, Democracy and Global Politics	3
PSCI 4215	Women's Rights, Human Rights: Global Perspectives	3
PSCI 4225	Democracy and Democratization	3
PSCI 4248	Gender, Globalization and Development	3
PSCI 4265	Social Justice And Globalization	3
PSCI 4446	Advanced Indigenous Peoples' Politics	3
PSCI 4505	Political System of Russia and Its Neighbors	3
PSCI 4555	International Women's Resistance	3
PSCI 4605	Politics and Governments of South Asia	3
PSCI 4615	Politics and Government of China	3
PSCI 4645	Comparative Political Leadership	3
PSCI 4807	Political Violence	3
PSCI 4914	Community Organizing and Community Development	3

<sup>2</sup> PSCI 3022 Political Systems of the World and PSCI 3042 Introduction to International Relations will also count as CU Denver Core International Perspectives, so students are advised to complete one of these courses to complete the Comparative or International Politics requirement.

## International Politics

Code	Title	Hours
<i>Take one of the following</i>		3
PSCI 3042	Introduction to International Relations <sup>2</sup>	3
PSCI 3050	Islamophobia	3
PSCI 3064	Power and Empowerment in the United States	3
PSCI 4025	Local Governance and Globalization	3
PSCI 4105	Comparative Politics: Europe	3
PSCI 4115	Third World Politics	3
PSCI 4126	Introduction to International Political Economy	3
PSCI 4144	Indigenous Political Systems	3
PSCI 4146	Indigenous Politics	3
PSCI 4150	Gender Politics in the Middle East: Beyond Orientalism & Islamism	3
PSCI 4155	Political Systems of the Middle East and North Africa	3
PSCI 4156	The Arab-Israeli Peace Process	3
PSCI 4165	Islamic Politics and Culture	3
PSCI 4176	Gandhi's Legacy: Non-Violent Resistance Today	3
PSCI 4185	Corruption in the U.S. and Abroad	3
PSCI 4186	East Asia in World Affairs	3
PSCI 4195	Political Systems of Sub-Saharan Africa	3
PSCI 4206	Social Movements, Democracy and Global Politics	3
PSCI 4215	Women's Rights, Human Rights: Global Perspectives	3
PSCI 4216	International Politics: Human Rights	3
PSCI 4224	Dictatorships in 21st Century	3
PSCI 4225	Democracy and Democratization	3
PSCI 4226	The United Nations in World Affairs	3
PSCI 4235	Politics and Markets in Latin America	3
PSCI 4236	American Foreign Policy	3
PSCI 4237	American National Security	3
PSCI 4240	International Security	3
PSCI 4248	Gender, Globalization and Development	3
PSCI 4265	Social Justice And Globalization	3
PSCI 4266	International Law	3
PSCI 4274	Conflict Resolution and Public Consent Building	3
PSCI 4276	Conflicts and Rights in International Law	3
PSCI 4280	The Politics of War Law	3
PSCI 4286	International Relations: War or Peace?	3
PSCI 4326	Advanced International Political Economy: Globalization	3
PSCI 4365	Global Ecological Crises	3
PSCI 4446	Advanced Indigenous Peoples' Politics	3
PSCI 4505	Political System of Russia and Its Neighbors	3
PSCI 4555	International Women's Resistance	3
PSCI 4605	Politics and Governments of South Asia	3
PSCI 4615	Politics and Government of China	3
PSCI 4726	Seminar on U.S. and China Relations	3
PSCI 4736	The Middle East in World Affairs	3
PSCI 4807	Political Violence	3

PSCI 4808	Strategies of Peacebuilding	3
PSCI 4878	War, Film, and International Law	3

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## Experiential Learning

Code	Title	Hours
<i>Take 3 credit hours of the following Experiential Learning courses</i>		3
PSCI 2939	Internship	1-3
PSCI 3000	Topics: Conference Participation	1
PSCI 3840/4840	Independent Study: PSCI	1-3
PSCI 3914	The Urban Citizen	3
PSCI 3939	Internship	1-9
PSCI 4840	Independent Study: PSCI	1-3
PSCI 4880	Directed Research	1-6
PSCI 4914	Community Organizing and Community Development	3
PSCI 4934	CU at the Capitol	3
PSCI 4995	Global Study Topics	1-3

## Electives

Code	Title	Hours
<i>Take three additional Political Science (PSCI) elective courses.</i>		9
PSCI 2001	Topics in Political Science	1-3
PSCI 2006	Global Political Issues	3
PSCI 2365	Politics of Climate Change	3
PSCI 2410	Political Science through Science Fiction	3
PSCI 3000	Topics: Conference Participation	1
PSCI 3002	Topics in Political Science	1-3
PSCI 3011	Research Methods	3
PSCI 3022	Political Systems of the World	3
PSCI 3034	Race, Gender, Law and Public Policy	3
PSCI 3035	Political Movements: Race and Gender	3
PSCI 3042	Introduction to International Relations	3
PSCI 3050	Islamophobia	3
PSCI 3064	Power and Empowerment in the United States	3
PSCI 3214	Federal Law and American Indians	3
PSCI 3347	Film and Politics	3
PSCI 3914	The Urban Citizen	3
PSCI 4002	Topics in Political Science	3
PSCI 4009	Politics of the Budgetary Process	3
PSCI 4011	GIS in Political Science	3
PSCI 4014	Media and Politics	3
PSCI 4024	State Politics: Focus Colorado	3
PSCI 4025	Local Governance and Globalization	3
PSCI 4034	Political Parties and Pressure Groups	3
PSCI 4044	The Presidency	3
PSCI 4057	Religion and Politics	3
PSCI 4074	Urban Politics	3

PSCI 4075	Gentrification and Social Equity	3	PSCI 4477	Constitutional Law I	3
PSCI 4084	Local Government and Administration	3	PSCI 4487	Constitutional Law II	3
PSCI 4085	Comparative Governance: Environment and Society	3	PSCI 4494	Judicial Politics	3
PSCI 4094	Seminar: American Politics	3	PSCI 4505	Political System of Russia and Its Neighbors	3
PSCI 4105	Comparative Politics: Europe	3	PSCI 4535	Labor and Working Class Politics	3
PSCI 4115	Third World Politics	3	PSCI 4545	Immigration Politics	3
PSCI 4124	Denver Politics	3	PSCI 4550	The Irish Diaspora	3
PSCI 4126	Introduction to International Political Economy	3	PSCI 4554	Chicano and Latino Politics	3
PSCI 4144	Indigenous Political Systems	3	PSCI 4555	International Women's Resistance	3
PSCI 4146	Indigenous Politics	3	PSCI 4564	Gender and Politics	3
PSCI 4150	Gender Politics in the Middle East: Beyond Orientalism & Islamism	3	PSCI 4605	Politics and Governments of South Asia	3
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PSCI 4165	Islamic Politics and Culture	3	PSCI 4726	Seminar on U.S. and China Relations	3
PSCI 4176	Gandhi's Legacy: Non-Violent Resistance Today	3	PSCI 4736	The Middle East in World Affairs	3
PSCI 4185	Corruption in the U.S. and Abroad	3	PSCI 4757	Legal Reasoning and Writing	3
PSCI 4186	East Asia in World Affairs	3	PSCI 4807	Political Violence	3
PSCI 4195	Political Systems of Sub-Saharan Africa	3	PSCI 4808	Strategies of Peacebuilding	3
PSCI 4206	Social Movements, Democracy and Global Politics	3	PSCI 4827	Women and the Law	3
PSCI 4207	Theories of Social and Political Change	3	PSCI 4837	Contemporary Issues in Civil Liberties	3
PSCI 4215	Women's Rights, Human Rights: Global Perspectives	3	PSCI 4878	War, Film, and International Law	3
PSCI 4216	International Politics: Human Rights	3	PSCI 4840	Independent Study: PSCI	1-3
PSCI 4224	Dictatorships in 21st Century	3	PSCI 4880	Directed Research	1-6
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PSCI 4226	The United Nations in World Affairs	3	PSCI 4934	CU at the Capitol	3
PSCI 4235	Politics and Markets in Latin America	3	PSCI 4944	CU in the City	3
PSCI 4236	American Foreign Policy	3	PSCI 4995	Global Study Topics	1-3
PSCI 4237	American National Security	3			
PSCI 4240	International Security	3			
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PSCI 4414	Non-Profits and Social Change	3			
PSCI 4417	Modern Political Thought	3			
PSCI 4427	Law, Politics and Justice	3			
PSCI 4437	Coercion and the State	3			
PSCI 4444	Contemporary Culture and Politics in America	3			
PSCI 4446	Advanced Indigenous Peoples' Politics	3			
PSCI 4457	American Political Thought	3			

## Capstone

Code	Title	Hours
	<i>Take the following course after completing at least 27 credit hours in the major.</i>	3
PSCI 4960	Capstone in Political Science	3

## Secondary Social Studies Courses

Code	Title	Hours
	<i>In order to prepare for the Social Studies Praxis exam, students should take all of the following courses:</i>	
	<i>These courses will also count toward Political Science CU Denver and CLAS graduation requirements, as identified.</i>	

## Anthropology

Code	Title	Hours
ANTH 1303	Introduction to Biological Anthropology	4
ANTH 2102	Culture and the Human Experience	3

\* *ANTH 1303 Introduction to Biological Anthropology Will count as CU Denver Core Nat/Phys Science with lab. ANTH 2102 Culture and the Human Experience will count toward either CU Denver Behavioral Science or CLAS Behavioral Science.*

## Economics

Code	Title	Hours
ECON 2012	Principles of Economics: Macroeconomics	3

To review the Degree Map for this program, please visit our website (<https://www.ucdenver.edu/student/advising/undergraduate/degree-maps/clas/>).

\* Will count as CU Denver Core Social Sciences or CLAS Social Science.

## Geography

Code	Title	Hours
GEOG 1102	World Regions Global Context	3
GEOG 1202	Introduction to Physical Geography	3

\* GEOG 1202 Introduction to Physical Geography will count as CLAS Nat/Phys Science without lab and GEOG 1102 will count as CU Denver Core Social Science or CLAS Social Science.

## History

Code	Title	Hours
HIST 1361	U.S. History to 1876	3
HIST 1362	U.S. History Since 1876	3

\* HIST 1361 U.S. History to 1876 and HIST 1362 U.S. History Since 1876 will fulfill the CU Denver Core Humanities and the CLAS Humanities requirements.

## Political Science

Code	Title	Hours
PSCI 3022	Political Systems of the World	3
or PSCI 3042	Introduction to International Relations	
PSCI 3034	Race, Gender, Law and Public Policy	3
or PSCI 3035	Political Movements: Race and Gender	

\* PSCI 3022 Political Systems of the World or PSCI 3042 Introduction to International Relations will count as CU Denver Core International Perspectives.

PSCI 3034 Race, Gender, Law and Public Policy or PSCI 3035 Political Movements: Race and Gender will count as CU Denver Core Cultural Diversity.

## Psychology

Code	Title	Hours
PSYC 1005	Introduction to Psychology II	3

\* Will count toward either CU Denver Behavioral Science or CLAS Behavioral Science.

## SEHD Licensure Coursework Requirements

Students must complete SEHD licensure requirements located here (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/school-education-human-development/education-human-development/secondary-education-licensure-clas-major-pathway/#text>).

To learn more about the Student Learning Outcomes for this program, please visit our website (<https://clas.ucdenver.edu/polisci/undergraduate/>).