

Political Science

Department of Political Science
Faculty of Public Affairs and Management

This section presents the requirements for the programs:

- **Political Science – B.A. Honours**
- **Political Science – B.A. Combined Honours, with Concentration in**
 - Canadian Politics**
 - Comparative Politics and Area Studies (Industrialized States)**
 - Comparative Politics and Area Studies (Development and Underdevelopment)**
 - International Relations**
 - Political Theory**
 - Public Affairs and Policy Analysis**
- **Journalism and Political Science – B.A. or B.J. Combined Honours**
- **Political Science and Economics – B.A. Combined Honours**
- **Political Science and Sociology – B.A. Combined Honours**
- **Political Science and Human Rights – B.A. Combined Honours**
- **Political Science – B.A. General**
- **Minor in Political Science**

Co-operative Education Option is available in Political Science. Consult the *Co-operative Education* section of this Calendar.

Graduation Requirements

In addition to the program requirements listed below, students must satisfy:

- i) the University regulations (see *The Academic Regulations of the University* in this Calendar),
- ii) the Faculty regulations applying to all B.A. students including those relating to First-Year Seminars and Breadth requirements (see *The Academic Regulations and Requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degree* in this Calendar).

Students should consult with the Department when selecting courses and planning their program.

Departmental Language Requirement

The Department requires Honours students to demonstrate proficiency in at least one language other than English, normally French. Honours students are required to demonstrate such proficiency, normally through the completion of any first-year course (or its approved equivalent) in a language offered at Carleton.

For students who consider that they already have proficiency in a second language, the Department conducts a French language examination twice a year, in November and February. For other languages, the onus is on the student to provide suitable documentary evidence of proficiency to the Department.

Categories of Courses

The following categories of Political Science courses are used in the program descriptions:

- **Canadian Government and Politics**
PSCI 2001 [1.0], PSCI 2002, PSCI 2003, PSCI 3000, PSCI 3001, PSCI 3002, PSCI 3003, PSCI 3004, PSCI 3005, PSCI 3006, PSCI 3007, PSCI 3305, PSCI 3306, PSCI 3400 [1.0], PSCI 3401, PSCI 3402,

PSCI 3406, PSCI 3606, PSCI 3607, PSCI 4000 [1.0], PSCI 4001 [1.0], PSCI 4002, PSCI 4003, PSCI 4006, PSCI 4007, PSCI 4008, PSCI 4009, PSCI 4101, PSCI 4106, PSCI 4107, PSCI 4108, PSCI 4109, PSCI 4401

- **Comparative Politics and International Relations:**
PSCI 2101, PSCI 2102, PSCI 2601, PSCI 2602, PSCI 3009, PSCI 3100, PSCI 3101 [1.0], PSCI 3101, PSCI 3102, PSCI 3103, PSCI 3104 [1.0], PSCI 3105 [1.0], PSCI 3106, PSCI 3107, PSCI 3200 [1.0], PSCI 3202 [1.0], PSCI 3203 [1.0], PSCI 3203, PSCI 3204, PSCI 3205, PSCI 3206, PSCI 3207, PSCI 3208, PSCI 3209, PSCI 3302, PSCI 3307, PSCI 3404, PSCI 3405, PSCI 3408, PSCI 3500, PSCI 3501, PSCI 3502, PSCI 3600, PSCI 3601, PSCI 3602, PSCI 3603, PSCI 3605, PSCI 3606, PSCI 3607, PSCI 3703, PSCI 4005, PSCI 4102, PSCI 4103, PSCI 4104, PSCI 4105, PSCI 4200, PSCI 4201, PSCI 4202, PSCI 4203, PSCI 4400, PSCI 4500, PSCI 4505, PSCI 4601, PSCI 4602, PSCI 4603, PSCI 4604, PSCI 4605, PSCI 4606, PSCI 4607, PSCI 4800, PSCI 4801, PSCI 4802, PSCI 4803, PSCI 4804
- **4000-level Seminar:**
All courses in the range PSCI 4000 [1.0] to PSCI 4809 [1.0]
- **Related Courses**
Subject to prior approval by the department, a student in the B.A. Honours or B.A. General program may use one course in a related discipline as a political science credit. This permission will be granted only if the content of the transfer course is very closely related to political science and if the Department of Political Science does not itself offer a comparable course. Students in the combined B.A. Honours programs may not use related courses as political science credits.

Program Requirements

Political Science B.A. Honours (20.0 credits)

A. Credits Included in the Major CGPA (9.0 credits):

1. 1.0 credit in Political Science at the 1000-level or FYSM 1602;
2. 2.0 credits in Political Science PSCI 2300 [1.0] and PSCI 2700 [1.0];
3. 1.0 credit in Canadian Government and Politics;
4. 1.0 credit in Comparative Politics and International Relations;
5. 1.0 credit in PSCI 4908 [1.0] (with a grade of B- or better) or 4000-level Seminars;
6. 1.0 credit in a 4000-level Seminar;
7. 2.0 credits in Political Science;

B. Credits Not Included in the Major CGPA (11.0 credits):

8. 8.0 credits in electives not in Political Science;
9. 3.0 credits in free electives;

C. Additional Requirements:

10. Departmental language requirement must be met.

Notes

1. At least 1.0 credit in 4000-level Seminars must be completed at Carleton University.
2. Req. 5: Candidates with fourth-year Honours standing in Political Science and a Major CGPA of 9.00 or better are strongly encouraged to present an Honours essay

on some topic involving independent investigation (PSCI 4908 [1.0]); they may be examined orally on this essay and must receive a B- or better in this course. PSCI 4908 [1.0] must be taken at Carleton University. Any Honours student with a Major CGPA below 9.00 who wishes to present an Honours essay may do so with the agreement of a faculty supervisor and the permission of the Supervisor of Undergraduate Studies. Students who do not write an Honours essay are required to complete 1.0 replacement credit in Political Science in the form of one or more 4000-level Seminars.

Political Science

B.A. Combined Honours (20.0 credits)

A. Credits Included in the Political Science Major CGPA (7.0 credits):

1. 1.0 credit in Political Science at the 1000-level or FYSM 1602;
2. 2.0 credits in PSCI 2300 [1.0] and PSCI 2700 [1.0];
3. 1.0 credit from the 4000-level Seminars in Political Science;
4. 3.0 credits in Political Science satisfying:
 - a) at least 1.0 credit from the 4000-level seminars in Political Science;
 - b) at least 2.0 credits in courses in Canadian Government and Politics and/or Comparative Politics and International Relations;

B. Additional Credit Requirements:

5. The requirements as stated for Combined Honours in the other discipline must be met;
6. 5.0 credits not in Political Science or the other discipline;
7. Sufficient free electives credits to make a total of 20.0 credits for the program;

C. Additional Requirements:

8. Departmental language requirement must be met.

Concentrations in Political Science Programs

The concentrations described below are open to all students in Political Science Honours, Combined Honours or General programs. The maximum number of Political Science credits that can be counted towards the degree is 12.0 credits for an Honours program, 8.0 for a General program and 9.0 for a Combined Honours program. Concentrations are open to students in the General program in Political Science though it may be difficult to meet the requirements of the Concentrations within the 15.0 credits required for the General degree, so that courses extra to the primary degree may have to be taken.

Concentration in Canadian Politics

1. 1.0 credit in PSCI 2001 [1.0] or PSCI 2002 and PSCI 2003;
2. 2.5 credits, including at least 0.5 credits at the 4000-level, in Canadian Politics chosen from: PSCI 3000, PSCI 3001, PSCI 3002, PSCI 3003, PSCI 3004, PSCI 3005, PSCI 3006, PSCI 3007, PSCI 3305, PSCI 3306, PSCI 3401, PSCI 3402, PSCI 3406, PSCI 3606, PSCI 3607, PSCI 4000 [1.0] (Section C), PSCI 4002, PSCI 4003, PSCI 4006, PSCI 4007, PSCI 4008, PSCI 4009, PSCI 4101, PSCI 4106, PSCI 4107, PSCI 4108, PSCI 4109, PSCI 4401, PSCI 4908 [1.0] (for qualified Honours students on an accepted Canadian Politics theme).

Concentration in Comparative Politics and Area Studies (Industrialized States)

1. 1.0 credit in PSCI 2101 and PSCI 2102;
2. 2.5 credits, including at least 0.5 credits at the 4000-level, in Comparative Politics and Area Studies chosen from: PSCI 3106, PSCI 3109, PSCI 3200, PSCI 3201, PSCI 3206, PSCI 3207, PSCI 3208, PSCI 3209, PSCI 3307, PSCI 3404, PSCI 3405, PSCI 3406, PSCI 3407, PSCI 3408, PSCI 3500, PSCI 3501, PSCI 3703, PSCI 3704, PSCI 3705, PSCI 4005, PSCI 4102, PSCI 4103, PSCI 4200, PSCI 4201, PSCI 4202, PSCI 4204, PSCI 4206, PSCI 4207, PSCI 4500, PSCI 4601, PSCI 4606, PSCI 4908.

Concentration in Comparative Politics and Area Studies (Development and Underdevelopment)

1. 1.0 credit in PSCI 2101 and PSCI 2102;
2. 2.5 credits, including at least 0.5 credits at the 4000-level, in Comparative Politics and Area Studies chosen from: PSCI 3009, PSCI 3100, PSCI 3101, PSCI 3102, PSCI 3103, PSCI 3106, PSCI 3203, PSCI 3204, PSCI 3205, PSCI 3206, PSCI 3207, PSCI 3208, PSCI 3209, PSCI 3404, PSCI 3502, PSCI 3700, PSCI 3701, PSCI 3704, PSCI 3705, PSCI 4101, PSCI 4105, PSCI 4203, PSCI 4206, PSCI 4207, PSCI 4601, PSCI 4802, PSCI 4803, PSCI 4804, PSCI 4908.

Concentration in International Relations

1. 1.0 credit in PSCI 2601 and PSCI 2602;
2. 2.5 credits, including at least 0.5 credits at the 4000-level, in International Relations chosen from: PSCI 3009, PSCI 3101, PSCI 3107, PSCI 3600, PSCI 3601, PSCI 3603, PSCI 3605, PSCI 3606, PSCI 3607, PSCI 3703, PSCI 4601 [1.0], PSCI 4602, PSCI 4603, PSCI 4604, PSCI 4605, PSCI 4606, PSCI 4607, PSCI 4800, PSCI 4801, PSCI 4802, PSCI 4803, PSCI 4804, PSCI 4908 [1.0] (for qualified Honours students on an accepted International Relations theme).

Concentration in Political Theory

1. 1.0 credit in PSCI 2300 [1.0];
2. 2.5 credits, including at least 0.5 credits at the 4000-level, in Political Theory credits chosen from: PSCI 3300, PSCI 3305, PSCI 3306, PSCI 3307, PSCI 3308, PSCI 3309, PSCI 3709, PSCI 4301, PSCI 4302, PSCI 4304 [1.0], PSCI 4305 [1.0], PSCI 4306, PSCI 4307, PSCI 4908 [1.0] (for qualified Honours students on an accepted Political Theory theme).

Concentration in Public Affairs and Policy Analysis

1. 1.0 credit in PSCI 2700 [1.0];
2. 2.5 credits, including at least 0.5 credits at the 4000-level, in Public Affairs and Policy Analysis chosen from: PSCI 2400 [1.0], PSCI 3401, PSCI 3402, PSCI 3404, PSCI 3405, PSCI 3406, PSCI 3407, PSCI 4002, PSCI 4003, PSCI 4007, PSCI 4008, PSCI 4200, PSCI 4000 [1.0] (Section C), PSCI 4107, PSCI 4204, PSCI 4401, PSCI 4406, PSCI 4407, PSCI 4408, PSCI 4701, PSCI 4702, PSCI 4908 [1.0] (for qualified Honours students on an accepted Public Affairs and Policy Analysis theme).

Journalism and Political Science B.A. or B.J. Combined Honours (20.0 credits)

Students who successfully complete the Combined Honours program in Journalism and Political Science graduate with a

B.J. degree unless they complete the Honours Essay PSCI 4908 [1.0] in which case they may graduate with a B.A.

A. Credits Included in the Political Science Major CGPA (7.0 credits):

1. 1.0 credit in Political Science at the 1000-level or FYSM 1602;
2. 2.0 credits in PSCI 2300 [1.0], PSCI 2700 [1.0];
3. 1.0 credit from the 4000-level Seminars in Political Science;
4. 3.0 credits in Political Science satisfying:
 - a) at least 1.0 credit from the 4000-level Seminars in Political Science;
 - b) at least 2.0 credits in courses in Canadian Government and Politics and/or Comparative Politics and International Relations;

B. Credits Included in the Journalism Major CGPA (8.0 credits):

5. 1.0 credit in JOUR 1000 [1.0];
6. 6.0 credits in JOUR 2201 [1.0], JOUR 2205, JOUR 2501, JOUR 3205 [1.0], JOUR 3206 [1.0], JOUR 4000 [1.0], JOUR 4201 [1.0];
7. 1.0 credit from JOUR 4204, JOUR 4205, JOUR 4206, JOUR 4207, JOUR 4208;

C. Credits Not Included in Either Major (5.0 credits):

8. 1.0 credit in approved Canadian history: HIST 1300 [1.0], HIST 2303 [1.0], HIST 2304 [1.0] or HIST 2305 [1.0];
9. 4.0 credits in free electives.

D. Additional Requirements:

10. Departmental language requirement in Political Science must be satisfied.

Notes

1. Students admitted to Journalism prior to 1995-96 should consult the School of Journalism and Communication for requirements.
2. Students who wish to practise journalism in another country may be advised to choose a different history course in Requirement 8 above.

Economics and Political Science

B.A. Combined Honours (20.0 credits)

A. Credits Included in the Economics Major CGPA (7.0 credits):

1. 1.0 credit in ECON 1000 [1.0] or FYSM 1003 [1.0];
2. 5.5 credits in: ECON 2002, ECON 2003, ECON 2102, ECON 2103, ECON 2200 [1.0], ECON 2400, ECON 4200, ECON 4201, ECON 4900 [1.0];
3. 0.5 credit in Economics at the 4000-level.

B. Credits Included in the Political Science Major CGPA (7.0 credits):

4. 1.0 credit in Political Science at the 1000-level or FYSM 1602;
5. 2.0 credits in PSCI 2300 [1.0] and PSCI 2700 [1.0];
6. 1.0 credit from the 4000-level Seminars in Political Science;
7. 3.0 credits in Political Science satisfying:
 - a) at least 1.0 credit from the 4000-level Seminars in Political Science;

- b) at least 2.0 credits in courses in Canadian Government and Politics and/or Comparative Politics and International Relations;

C. Credits Not Included in Either Major CGPA (6.0 credits):

8. 1.0 credit in MATH 1009 and MATH 1109;
9. 5.0 credits in electives not in Economics or Political Science;

D. Additional Requirements:

10. The Political Science Departmental language requirement must be satisfied.

Political Science and Sociology

B.A. Combined Honours (20.0 credits)

A. Credits Included in the Political Science Major (7.0 credits):

1. 1.0 credit in Political Science at the 1000-level or FYSM 1602;
2. 1.0 credit in PSCI 2300 [1.0];
3. 1.0 credit from the 4000-level Seminars in Political Science;
4. 3.0 credits in Political Science satisfying:
 - a) at least 1.0 credit from the 4000-level Seminars in Political Science;
 - b) at least 2.0 credits in courses in Canadian Government and Politics and/or Comparative Politics and International Relations;

B. Credits Included in the Sociology Major CGPA (5.0 credits):

5. 1.0 credit in SOCI 1000 [1.0], ANTH 1000 [1.0], SOAN 1000 [1.0] with a grade of C+ or better;
6. 1.0 credit in SOAN 2005 [1.0] or SOCI 4006 [1.0];
7. 2.0 credits in Sociology and/or Anthropology at the 4000- or 5000-level;
8. 1.0 credit in Sociology and/or Anthropology beyond the 1000-level;

C. Credits Included in the Political Science or Sociology Major CGPA (2.0 credits):

9. 2.0 credits in a methodology sequence, either:
 - a) PSCI 2700 [1.0] and SOCI 3700 [1.0];
 - or*
 - b) SOCI 2003 [1.0] (or ANTH 2003 [1.0]) and PSCI 4701 and PSCI 4702;

D. Credits Not Included in Either Major CGPA (6.0 credits):

10. 5.0 credits in electives not in Political Science or Sociology;
11. 1.0 credit in free electives;

E. Additional Requirements:

12. The Political Science departmental language requirement must be satisfied.

Note: PSCI 4701 and PSCI 4702 may not be offered every year.

Political Science and Human Rights

B.A. Combined Honours (20.0 credits)

Students in this program are required to complete at least 7.0 credits in Political Science including:

1. 1.0 credit in Political Science at the 1000-level or FYSM 1602;
2. 2.0 credits in PSCI 2300 [1.0], PSCI 2700 [1.0];
3. 1.0 credit from the 4000-level Seminars in Political Science;
4. 3.0 credits in Political Science satisfying:
 - a) at least 1.0 credit from the 4000-level Seminars in Political Science;
 - b) at least 2.0 credits in courses in Canadian Government and Politics and/or Comparative Politics and International Relations;
5. Political Science Departmental Language Requirement must be satisfied.

Note: for Human Rights requirements, see the Human Rights Program section of this Calendar.

Political Science B.A. General (15.0 credits)

A. Credits Included in the Major CGPA (6.0 credits):

1. 1.0 credit in Political Science at the 1000-level or FYSM 1602;
2. 1.0 credit in PSCI 2300 [1.0] or PSCI 2700 [1.0];
3. 4.0 credits in Political Science;

B. Credits Not Included in the Major CGPA (9.0 credits):

4. 2.0 credits in free electives;
5. 7.0 credits not in Political Science.

Notes

1. First-year students intending to enter a B.A. General or Honours program in Political Science may take a 2000-level course concurrently with a first-year credit in Political Science.
2. B.A. General students should take a number of courses in related disciplines. Final-year B.A. General students with the required standing may, with permission, be admitted to 4000-level Honours courses, provided space is available. The entire program must be approved by the Department.

Minor in Political Science

Requirements:

1. 1.0 credit in Political Science at the 1000-level or FYSM 1602;
2. 1.0 credit from PSCI 2001 [1.0], (PSCI 2002 and PSCI 2003), (PSCI 2101 and PSCI 2102), PSCI 2300 [1.0], PSCI 2400 [1.0], (PSCI 2601 and PSCI 2602), PSCI 2700 [1.0];
3. 2.0 credits in Political Science.
4. The remaining requirements of the major discipline(s) and degree must be satisfied.

Mention: français

Students who wish to qualify for the *Mention: français* notation in Political Science may do so by taking the following pattern of courses in their degree program:

Requirements:

1. 1.0 credit in the advanced study of the French language (a minimum of FREN 1100 [1.0]).
2. 1.0 credit in FREN 2200 and FREN 2300.

3. One of PSCI 2001 [1.0] or PSCI 3900. PSCI 2001 [1.0] is recommended.
4. Honours students are required to take PSCI 4909 [1.0] or one of PSCI 2001 [1.0] or PSCI 3900 [1.0], whichever was not used to meet requirement 3.

With the prior approval of the department, students may substitute appropriate courses taught in french at the University of Ottawa for Requirements 2 and 4.