

# PHILOSOPHY/POLITICAL SCIENCE B.A. DOUBLE MAJOR

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## GENERAL ACADEMIC INFORMATION

### Minimum Graduation Requirements

- 120 credit hours
- 45 upper-division credit hours (3000-4999 level)
- 2.0 CU cumulative GPA
- Residency: Last 30 credit hours of degree must be completed while registered in the College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences at UCCS

### Student Responsibilities

Students are required to know and follow:

- All academic policies set forth by the University, College, and academic department in the UCCS Catalog: [catalog.uccs.edu](https://catalog.uccs.edu)
- All course prerequisites designated by the University. Failure to meet course prerequisites may result in an administrative drop of the course from a student's schedule. See degree audit for course prerequisites within the academic major.

## DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Explore Philosophy: [Home | Department of Philosophy \(uccs.edu\)](https://www.uccs.edu/philosophy)

Explore Political Science: [Home | Department of Political Science \(uccs.edu\)](https://www.uccs.edu/political-science)

Major Requirements			
Philosophy/Political Science Double Major (60 hours)	Course/Area	Course Title	Credit Hours
	PHILOSOPHY REQUIREMENTS		
<b>Philosophy Major</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Requires a minimum of 30 credit hours of PHIL work and a minimum of 21 credit hours of upper-division (3000+ level) PHIL course work.</li> <li>• All PHIL courses must have a grade of "C" or better.</li> </ul>	PHIL 1120 or PHIL 3420	Critical Thinking or Symbolic Logic I	3
	PHIL 4950*	Senior Thesis	3
	Upper-Division Electives	Complete a minimum of 18 hours of upper-division (3000+ level) PHIL courses.	18
	Electives	Complete an additional 6 hours of PHIL courses to fulfill total credit hours for the major.	6
	POLITICAL SCIENCE REQUIREMENTS		
<b>Political Science major</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Requires a minimum of 30 credit hours of PSC course work and a minimum of 24 credit hours of upper-division (3000+ level) PSC course work.</li> <li>• At least 30 hours of PSC courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or better. No grade below a C- may apply to the major.</li> </ul> <p><b>*Summit Course Note:</b> Students must complete at least one Summit course between the two majors. Summit options are: PHIL 4950, PSC 4020, 4025, 4080, 4210 or 4470</p>	<b>Complete all requirements from one of the Tracks listed below</b>		
	<i>Political Science General Track</i>		
		<b>Required:</b> PSC 1010, 1100, 2070 or 2450, 3420, 3500	15
		Complete 1 course each from the American Political Institutions and Behavior (API), Global Politics (GP), and Public Administration, Policy and Law (PAP) Courses listed in the degree audit.	9
		PSC elective courses to meet total and upper-division credit hours.	6
	<i>American Political Institutions and Behavior Track</i>		
		<b>Required:</b> PSC 1010, 1100, 2070 or PSC 2450, 3420, 3500, 4470	18
		Complete 3 courses from the API and/or the PAP Courses listed in the degree audit.	9
		PSC elective courses to meet total and upper-division credit hours.	3
	<i>Global Politics Track</i>		
		<b>Required:</b> PSC 1010, 1100, 2070 or 2450, 3420, 3500, 4210, 4220	21
		Complete 3 upper-division courses from the GP Courses listed in the degree audit.	9
	<i>Public Administration, Policy and Law Track</i>		
		<b>Required:</b> PSC 1100, 2070 or 2450, 3420, 3500, 4320, 4460	18
		Complete 3 courses from the PAP Courses listed in degree audit.	9
		PSC elective courses to meet total and upper-division credit hours.	3
<b>*NOTE: Students can select either PHIL 4950 or a PSC Summit course to fulfill their Summit requirement. Students must make up the hours in the department not selected by taking an additional upper-division (3000+ level) elective in that department unless it is required for the chosen PSC track.</b>			

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## General Education and Elective Requirements

<b>Core Writing Requirement</b> (6 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ENGL 1310, 1308, or 1305 (<i>Students choosing ENGL 1305 must complete ENGL 1300 first.</i>)</li> <li>ENGL 1410</li> <li>PORT 3000 (0 Credits) – Writing Portfolio</li> </ul>	
<b>Reasoning Skills</b> (3 hours)	See the degree audit for course options.	
<b>Area Requirements</b> (27 hours) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maximum 2 courses from any one discipline may be applied to the area requirements</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Humanities – 9 credit hours of which 3 credits must be HUM 3990.</li> <li>Social Sciences – 9 credit hours</li> <li>Natural Sciences – 9 credits hours of which at least 1 credit must be from a lab course.</li> </ul> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Cannot select courses from primary major courses for area requirements.</p>	
<b>Oral Communication, Cultural Diversity, and Global Awareness Requirements</b>	One course from each list (see degree audit). <i>All courses that fulfill these requirements may also count towards other general education or major requirements.</i>	
<b>LAS Language other than English Requirement</b>	Complete two semesters of a language other than English equivalent to 1010 & 1020 with high school, transfer, placement exam, or UCCS coursework. <i>Courses taken to fulfill this requirement may also count toward Compass Curriculum Explore - Arts, Humanities and Cultures or general electives. See degree audit for details.</i>	
<b>Compass Curriculum</b> (12 hours) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explore and Navigate courses must be outside major and area requirements</li> <li>Writing Intensive, Inclusiveness, and Sustainability courses can count towards other requirements within degree</li> </ul>	<b>Component</b>	<b>Course</b>
	<b>Gateway</b>	GPS 1010
	<b>Explore – Arts, Humanities and Cultures</b>	See Degree Audit
	<b>Explore – Society, Behavior and Health</b>	See Degree Audit
	<b>Explore – Physical and Natural World</b>	See Degree Audit
	<b>Navigate</b>	HUM 3990 (included in LAS area requirements)
	<b>Summit</b>	PHIL 4950 or PSC 4020, 4025, 4080, 4210 or 4470
	<b>Writing Intensive Courses (WIC)</b> <i>Two courses with one upper-division (3000+ level)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HUM 3990 (included in LAS area requirements)</li> <li>PSC 3500 (included in major requirements)</li> </ul>
	<b>Inclusiveness</b>	See Degree Audit
	<b>Sustainability</b>	PSC 3420 (included in major requirements)
<b>General Electives</b> (12 hours)	Complete additional courses to meet total and upper-division requirements for your degree program.	

## FOUR-YEAR DEGREE PLAN

Please note that this is an *example* degree program and your program may vary. **Students are responsible for completing all course prerequisites.**

Year One	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		ENGL 1310	3		ENGL 1410	3
		GPS 1010	3		Reasoning Skills Course	3
		PHIL Elective	3		PHIL 1120 or PHIL 3420	3
		PSC 1100	3		Political Science Option Course	3
		Explore – Arts, Humanities & Cultures Course	3		Explore – Society, Behavior & Health Course	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>	15		<b>TOTAL</b>	15

Year Two	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		PHIL Elective	3		Upper Division (UD) PHIL Elective	3
		PSC 2070 or PSC 2450	3		PSC 3420	3
		Humanities Elective	3		Social Science Elective	3
		Social Science Elective ( <i>Global Awareness</i> )	3		Natural Science Elective w/lab	4
		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3		General Elective ( <i>Inclusiveness</i> )	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>	15		<b>TOTAL</b>	16

Year Three	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		UD PHIL Elective	3		UD PHIL Elective	3
		PSC 3500	3		UD PHIL Elective	3
		Upper-Division (UD) Political Science Option Course	3		UD Political Science Option Course	3
		Humanities Elective	3		Natural Science Elective	2
		Natural Science Elective	3		General Elective ( <i>Cultural Diversity</i> )	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>	15		<b>TOTAL</b>	14

Year Four	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		UD PHIL Elective	3		PHIL 4950 or PSC Summit Course	3
		UD PHIL Elective	3		UD PHIL or UD PSC Elective ( <i>in dept Summit not taken</i> )	3
		UD Political Science Option Course	3		UD Political Science Option Course	4
		HUM 3990	3		Social Science Elective	3
		General Elective	3		General Elective	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>	15		<b>TOTAL</b>	16