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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
- 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 Political Science: [Home | Department of Political Science \(uccs.edu\)](http://Home | Department of Political Science (uccs.edu))

Major Requirements			
Political Science Major Public Administration Track (36 hours)	Course/Area	Course Title	Credit Hours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires a minimum of 36 credit hours of PSC course work and a minimum of 21 credit hours of upper-division (3000+ level) PSC course work. • All PSC courses must have a grade of "C" or better. 	PSC 1100	American Political System	3
	PSC 2070	Might and Right Among Nations	3
	OR PSC 2450	American Political Thought	
	PSC 3420	Political Theory	3
	PSC 3500	Introduction to Political Inquiry	3
	PSC 4320	Public Administration	3
	PSC 4460	Administrative Law	3
	Capstone Course	Complete one of the following courses: PSC 4020 - The American Congress or PSC 4080 – U.S. Electoral Process or PSC 4470 - Constitutional Law	3
	Public Administration, Policy, and Law Courses	Complete three courses from the following: PSC 3200, 3430, 3450, 3980, 4020, 4025, 4060, 4070, 4320, 4350, 4451, 4460, 4470, 4480, 4481, 4490, 4510, 4540, 4550, 9480	9
	Electives	Complete an additional 6 hours of PSC courses to meet total and upper-division credit hours.	6
	Political Science Portfolio	Complete the Political Science department portfolio. Contact the department for details.	0
Political Science Senior Exit Exam	Complete the Senior Exit Exam during the final semester. Contact the department for details on how to access the exam.	0	

General Education and Elective Requirements		
Core Writing Requirement (6 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ENGL 1310, 1308, or 1305 (<i>Students choosing ENGL 1305 must complete ENGL 1300 first.</i>) ENGL 1410 PORT 3000 (0 Credits) – Writing Portfolio 	
Reasoning Skills (3 hours)	See the degree audit for course options.	
Area Requirements (27 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Humanities – 9 credit hours of which 3 credits must be HUM 3990. Social Sciences – 9 credit hours Natural Sciences – 9 credits hours, of which at least 1 credit must be from a lab course <p>NOTE: Cannot select courses from primary major courses for area requirements.</p>	
Oral Communication, Cultural Diversity, and Global Awareness Requirements	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>	
Compass Curriculum (12 hours)	Component	Course
	Gateway	GPS 1010
	Explore – Arts, Humanities and Cultures	See Degree Audit
	Explore – Society, Behavior and Health	See Degree Audit
	Explore – Physical and Natural World	See Degree Audit
	Navigate	HUM 3990 (included in LAS area requirements)
	Summit	PSC 4020 or PSC 4470 (included in major requirements)
	Writing Intensive Courses (WIC) <i>Two courses with one upper-division (3000+ level)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HUM 3990 (included in LAS area requirements) See Degree Audit
Inclusiveness	See Degree Audit	
Sustainability	See Degree Audit	
General Electives (36 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
		GPS 1010	3		Reasoning Skills Course (<i>INDS 1050</i>)	3
		PSC 1100	3		PSC Elective	3
		Explore – Arts, Humanities & Cultures Course	3		Explore – Society, Behavior & Health Course	3
		General Elective	3		General Elective	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	15

Year Two	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
			PSC 2070 or PSC 2450	3		PSC 3420
		PSC Elective	3		Upper-Division (UD) PSC Public Administration Course	3
		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3		Natural Science Elective w/lab	4
		Humanities Elective	3		Social Science Elective	3
		General Elective (<i>Cultural Diversity</i>)	3		General Elective (<i>Oral Communication</i>)	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	16

Year Three	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
			PSC 3500	3		PSC 4320
		UD PSC Public Administration Course	3		UD PSC Public Administration Course	3
		Natural Science Elective	3		Natural Science Elective	2
		Humanities Elective	3		Social Science Elective	3
		General Elective	3		UD General Elective	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	14

Year Four	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
			PSC 4460	3		PSC 4020, 4080, or 4470 (Capstone)
		HUM 3990	3		Social Science Elective	2
		UD General Elective	3		UD General Elective	3
		UD General Elective	3		UD General Elective	3
		UD General Elective	3		UD General Elective	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	14