



**ARKANSAS STATE**  
UNIVERSITY

**Eight-Semester Degree Plan**  
**Bachelor of Arts**  
**Major in Political Science**  
**2019-2020**

| Year 1              |   |     |        |                     |  |     |        |
|---------------------|---|-----|--------|---------------------|--|-----|--------|
| Fall Semester       |   |     |        | Spring Semester     |  |     |        |
| Course No.          | Course Name                                       | Hrs | Gen Ed | Course No.          | Course Name                                    | Hrs | Gen Ed |
| POSC 1103           | Making Connections                                | 3   | x      | ENG 1013            | English Composition II                         | 3   | x      |
| POSC 2103           | Introduction to US Gov.                           | 3   |        | BIOL 1003           | Biological Science                             | 3   | x      |
| ENG 1003            | English Composition I                             | 3   | x      | BIOL 1001           | Biological Science Lab                         | 1   | x      |
| POSC 1003           | Introduction to Politics                          | 3   | x      | PHIL 1103           | Introduction to Philosophy                     | 3   | x      |
| MATH 1023           | College Algebra                                   | 3   | x      | HIST 2763           | History of the US to 1876                      | 3   | x      |
|                     |   |     |        | ART 2503            | Fine Arts-Visual                               | 3   | x      |
| <b>Total Hours:</b> |   | 15  |        | <b>Total Hours:</b> |  | 16  |        |
| Fall Semester       |   |     |        | Spring Semester     |  |     |        |
| Course No           | Course Name                                       | Hr  |        | Course No           | Course Name                                    | Hr  |        |
| Language            | Elementary I (Foreign)                            | 3   |        | Language            | Elementary II (Foreign)                        | 3   |        |
| PHSC 1203           | Physical Science                                  | 3   | x      | POSC 3003           | Intro. to Political Analysis                   | 3   |        |
| PHSC 1201           | Physical Science Lab                              | 1   | x      | POSC                | 3000-level Elective in International Relations | 3   |        |
| ENG 2003            | World Literature to 1660                          | 3   | x      | POSC                | 3000/4000 level Elective in Political Theory   | 3   |        |
| POSC                | 3000/4000-level Elective in American Politics     | 3   |        | Elective            | Elective- Student Choice                       | 3   |        |
| POSC                | 3000/4000-level Elective in Comparative Politics  | 3   |        |                     |  |     |        |
| <b>Total Hours:</b> |   | 16  |        | <b>Total Hours:</b> |  | 15  |        |
| Fall Semester       |   |     |        | Spring Semester     |  |     |        |
| Course No           | Course Name                                       | Hr  |        | Course No           | Course Name                                    | Hr  |        |
| Language            | Intermediate I (Foreign)                          | 3   |        | Language            | Intermediate II (Foreign)                      | 3   |        |
| POSC                | 3000/4000-level Elective in Public Administration | 3   |        | POSC                | 3000/4000 Political Science Elective           | 3   |        |
| POSC                | 3000/4000-level Elective in Public Law            | 3   |        | POSC                | 3000/4000 Political Science Elective           | 3   |        |
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| Elective            | Elective- Student Choice                          | 3   |        | Elective            | Elective- Student Choice                       | 3   |        |
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| <b>Total Hours:</b> |   | 15  |        | <b>Total Hours:</b> |  | 15  |        |

| Fall Semester                   |                                      |    |  | Spring Semester            |                                      |     |  |
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| Course No                       | Course Name                          | Hr |  | Course No                  | Course Name                          | Hr  |  |
| POSC                            | 3000/4000 Political Science Elective | 3  |  | POSC                       | 3000/4000 Political Science Elective | 3   |  |
| Elective                        | 3000/4000 Elective- Student Choice   | 3  |  | Elective                   | 3000/4000 Elective- Student Choice   | 3   |  |
| Elective                        | Elective- Student Choice             | 3  |  | Elective                   | Elective- Student Choice             | 3   |  |
| Elective                        | Elective- Student Choice             | 3  |  | Elective                   | Elective- Student Choice             | 3   |  |
| Elective                        | Elective- Student Choice             | 3  |  | Elective                   | Elective- Student Choice             | 1   |  |
|                                 |                                      |    |  |                            |                                      |     |  |
| <b>Total Hours:</b>             |                                      | 15 |  | <b>Total Hours:</b>        |                                      | 13  |  |
| <b>Total Upper-Level Hours:</b> |                                      | 45 |  | <b>Total Degree Hours:</b> |                                      | 120 |  |

**Note:**

Students requiring developmental course work based on low entrance exam scores (ACT, SAT, ASSET, COMPASS) may not be able to complete this program of study in eight (8) semesters. Developmental courses do not count toward total degree hours. Students having completed college level courses prior to enrollment will be assisted by their advisor in making appropriate substitutions. In most cases, general education courses may be interchanged between semesters. A minimum of 45 hours of upper-level credit (3000-4000 level) is required for this degree. Mandatory state and institutional assessment exams will be required during your degree program. Failure to participate in required assessments may delay graduation.

**Additional Graduation Requirements:**

- All students must meet the following requirements to receive a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science:
- Submit an "Intent to Graduate" application when registering for classes for the last semester or term.
- Graduation fee must be paid before the diploma; final transcript or graduation attire can be released.
- Complete a First Year Experience/Making Connections Seminar during the first semester regardless of the number of concurrent credit hours, AP credit and other college credits earned in high school. Transfer students with 13 or more credited/transerable hours are exempted from this course.
- Complete ENG 1003 English Composition I and ENG 1013 English Composition II with a grade of a "C" or better
- Complete POSC 2103 Introduction to US Government and POSC 3003 Introduction to Political Analysis as part of major
- Complete 1 of the following as part of the General Education Requirements: HIST 2763 United States History to 1876 or HIST 2773 United States History since 1876
- Complete half of the 50 percent of semester hours through the A-State campus.
- Complete a total of 120 hours
- Complete 18 of the last 24 semester hours must be Arkansas State University work
- Complete 45 Junior/Senior hours as part of 120-hour degree requirement after the first 30 hours
- 2.0 grade point average required for overall work (includes A-State and transfer courses)
- 2.0 grade point average required for all course work at A-State
- 2.0 grade point average required for major
- May only complete a maximum of 25 percent/30 semester hours through credit by examination (including CLEP) advanced placement, correspondence, evaluated military service credits, DANES and USAFI courses
- Any transfer work completed at another institution, regardless of its affiliation with A-State, during the last semester will be counted toward the completion of degree requirements but a diploma will not be granted until an official transcript is received by the Office of the Registrar