














## 2023 - 2024 Major Map




### Political Science, BA



School/College: The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences  
LAPOSBA

Term 1 0 - 14 Credit Hours <b>Critical course signified by</b> 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
 POS 110: American Government and Politics (SB) OR POS 150: Comparative Government (SB & G) or POS 160: Global Politics (SB & G)	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ASU 101 or college-specific equivalent First-Year Seminar required for all first-year students.</li> <li><b>ASU Language Placement:</b> Only true beginners are eligible for 101-level courses. All other students are required to take a placement exam, regardless of prior credit earned.</li> <li>Activate your <b>Handshake</b> account and build out your profile.</li> </ul>
ENG 101 or ENG 102: First-Year Composition OR ENG 105: Advanced First-Year Composition OR ENG 107 or ENG 108: First-Year Composition	3	C	
LIA 101: Student Success in The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences	1		
MAT 142: College Mathematics (MA)	3	C	
Second Language: Requirement satisfied through the following: * Completion of a language course at the intermediate level (202 or equivalent), including American Sign Language IV.	4	C	
Term hours subtotal:	14		
Term 2 14 - 30 Credit Hours <b>Critical course signified by</b> 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
 POS 110: American Government and Politics (SB) OR POS 150: Comparative Government (SB & G) or POS 160: Global Politics (SB & G)	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Join a <b>student club</b> or professional organization.</li> <li>Create a first draft <b>resume</b>.</li> <li>Related Area Courses: Any course from the subjects in the list below will apply to the Related Area requirement.</li> </ul>
ENG 101 or ENG 102: First-Year Composition OR ENG 105: Advanced First-Year Composition OR ENG 107 or ENG 108: First-Year Composition	3	C	
Related Area Course	3	C	
Second Language: Requirement satisfied through the following: * Completion of a language course at the intermediate level (202 or equivalent), including American Sign Language IV.	4	C	
Humanities, Arts and Design (HU) AND Historical Awareness (H)	3		
 Complete ENG 101 OR ENG 105 OR ENG 107 course(s).			
Term hours subtotal:	16		
Term 3 30 - 44 Credit Hours <b>Critical course signified by</b> 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
 POS 210: Political Ideologies (SB)	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A <b>study abroad</b> experience enhances cross-cultural awareness and may expand career opportunities.</li> <li>Develop your <b>skills</b>.</li> </ul>
Related Area Course	3	C	
Second Language: Requirement satisfied through the following: * Completion of a language course at the intermediate level (202 or equivalent), including American Sign Language IV.	4	C	
Natural Science - Quantitative (SQ)	4		
 Complete First-Year Composition requirement.			
 Complete Mathematics (MA) requirement.			
Term hours subtotal:	14		

Term 4 44 - 60 Credit Hours <b>Critical course signified by</b> 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
 POS Elective	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explore an <b>internship</b>.</li> </ul>
Second Language: Requirement satisfied through the following:			
* Completion of a language course at the intermediate level (202 or equivalent), including American Sign Language IV.	4	C	
Computer/Statistics/Quantitative Applications (CS)	3		
Humanities, Arts and Design (HU) AND Cultural Diversity in the U.S. (C)	3		
Literacy and Critical Inquiry (L)	3		
Term hours subtotal:	16		

Term 5 60 - 76 Credit Hours <b>Necessary course signified by</b> 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
 POS 301: Empirical Political Inquiry (SB)	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Thinking about graduate school? Consider registering for a grad school <b>test prep course</b>.</li> <li>Maximum of six hours of POS 484 and three hours of POS 499 (Individualized Instruction) may be applied toward the major.</li> </ul>
POS Upper Division Elective	3	C	
POS Elective	3	C	
Natural Science - Quantitative (SQ) OR Natural Science - General (SG)	4		
Upper Division Elective OR POS 484: Internship	3		
Term hours subtotal:	16		

Term 6 76 - 90 Credit Hours <b>Necessary course signified by</b> 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
 POS Upper Division Elective	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete an in person or virtual <b>practice interview</b>.</li> </ul>
Complete 2 courses:			
Related Area Course	6	C	
Upper Division Elective	3		
Elective	2		
 Complete Cultural Diversity in the U.S. (C) AND Global Awareness (G) AND Historical Awareness (H) course(s).			
Term hours subtotal:	14		

Term 7 90 - 105 Credit Hours <b>Necessary course signified by</b> 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
 POS Upper Division Elective	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gather <b>professional references</b>.</li> </ul>
Upper Division Literacy and Critical Inquiry (L)	3		
Complete 3 courses:			
Upper Division Elective	9		
Term hours subtotal:	15		

Term 8 105 - 120 Credit Hours <b>Necessary course signified by</b> 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
 POS Upper Division Elective	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Apply for <b>full-time career opportunities</b>.</li> </ul>
Complete 4 courses:			
Upper Division Elective	12		
Term hours subtotal:	15		

- Students must complete 12 credit hours in courses drawn from related areas. Any course beginning with one of the following subjects may be used.
- Maximum of six hours of POS 484 and three hours of POS 499 (Individualized Instruction) may be applied toward the major.

#### Hide Course List(s)/Track Group(s)

##### Related Area Course

AES OR AFR OR AIS OR APA OR ASB  
OR ASM OR COM OR ECN OR FAS OR  
GCU OR GPH OR HST OR JUS OR MIS  
OR PHI OR PSY OR REL OR SGS OR  
SOC OR TCL OR WST Elective

#### Notes:

- First-Year Composition: All students are placed in ENG 101 unless submission of SAT, ACT, Accuplacer, IELTS, or TOEFL score, or college-level transfer credit or test credit equivalent to ASU's first-year composition course(s), determine otherwise. Students on Polytechnic, Downtown Phoenix and West Campuses are encouraged to complete the Directed Self-Placement survey to choose the first-year composition option they believe best suits their needs. Visit: <https://cisa.asu.edu/DSP>
- Mathematics Placement Assessment score determines placement in first mathematics course.

Please keep in mind that the applicability of a specific transfer course toward an ASU degree program depends on the requirements of the department, division, college or school in which you are enrolled at ASU. Transfer agreements that guarantee the completion of university level requirements do not necessarily meet college and major requirements. Please consult with an advisor for more information.

**Total Hours:** 120

**Upper Division Hours:** 45 minimum

**Major GPA:** 2.00 minimum

**Cumulative GPA:** 2.00 minimum

**Total hrs at ASU:** 30 minimum

**Hrs Resident Credit for**

**Academic Recognition:** 56 minimum

**Total Community College Hrs:** 64 maximum

**Total College Residency Hrs:** 12 minimum

#### General University Requirements Legend

##### General Studies Core Requirements:

- Literacy and Critical Inquiry (L)
- Mathematical Studies (MA)
- Computer/Statistics/Quantitative Applications (CS)
- Humanities, Arts and Design (HU)
- Social-Behavioral Sciences (SB)
- Natural Science - Quantitative (SQ)
- Natural Science - General (SG)

##### General Studies Awareness Requirements:

- Cultural Diversity in the U.S. (C)
- Global Awareness (G)
- Historical Awareness (H)

#### First-Year Composition

General Studies designations listed next to courses on the major map were valid for the 2023 - 2024 academic year. Please refer to the course catalog for current General Studies designations at time of class registration. General Studies credit is applied according to the designation the course carries at the time the class is taken.