



2024 - 2025 Major Map

Political Science, BA

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

Term 1 0 - 14 Credit Hours Critical course signified by ⚠	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
POS 110: American Government and Politics (AMIT OR SB) OR ⚠ POS 150: Comparative Government (GCSI OR SB & G) or POS 160: Global Politics (GCSI OR SB & G)	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ASU 101 or college-specific equivalent First-Year Seminar required for all first-year students. ASU Language Placement: Only true beginners are eligible for 101-level courses. All other students are required to take a placement exam, regardless of prior credit earned. Activate your Handshake account and build out your profile.
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 (MATH OR 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 Critical course signified by ⚠	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
POS 110: American Government and Politics (AMIT OR SB) OR ⚠ POS 150: Comparative Government (GCSI OR SB & G) or POS 160: Global Politics (GCSI OR SB & G)	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Join a student club or professional organization. Create a first draft resume. Related Area Courses: Any course from the subjects in the list below will apply to the Related Area requirement.
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 (HUAD)	3		
⚠ Complete ENG 101 OR ENG 105 OR ENG 107 course(s).			
Term hours subtotal:	16		
Term 3 30 - 44 Credit Hours Critical course signified by ⚠	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
⚠ POS 210: Political Ideologies (CIVI OR SB)	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A study abroad experience enhances cross-cultural awareness and may expand career opportunities. Develop your skills.
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	
Scientific Thinking in Natural Sciences (SCIT)	4		
⚠ Complete First-Year Composition requirement.			
⚠ Complete Mathematics (MATH) requirement.			
Term hours subtotal:	14		

Term 4 44 - 60 Credit Hours Critical course signified by 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
 POS Elective	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore an internship.
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 (HUAD)	3		
Quantitative Reasoning (QTRS)	3		
Sustainability (SUST)	3		
Term hours subtotal:	16		

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

Term 6 76 - 90 Credit Hours Necessary course signified by 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
 POS Upper Division Elective	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete an in person or virtual practice interview.
Complete 2 courses:			
Upper Division Related Area Course	6	C	
Upper Division Elective	3		
Elective	2		
Term hours subtotal:	14		

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

Term 8 105 - 120 Credit Hours Necessary course signified by 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
 POS Upper Division Elective	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apply for full-time career opportunities.
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.

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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

- **Total Hours:** 120
- **Upper Division Hours:** 45 minimum
- **University Undergraduate Graduation Requirements**

Notes:

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.

General Studies designations listed next to courses on the major map were valid for the 2024 - 2025 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.