

2025-2026 Academic Year

Requirements Effective Fall 2025

Min. Grad. Req: 120 Hrs., 30 UD Hrs., 2.0 GPA Institutional & Cumulative

Reviewed by: _____

Date: _____

(B.A.) POLITICAL SCIENCE (General or Public Policy Concentrations)

Name & Student ID # _____

Expected Graduation Date: _____

General Education Requirements

- 3 THEO 110 Intro to Christianity
- 3 BLIT 210 Christian Scriptures
- 3 CMIN 310 Christian Living
- 2-3 Approved Stewardship Course* _____
- 3 ENGL 109 College Writing I
- 3 ENGL 208 College Writing II (CMS)
- 3 COMM 105 Fundamentals of Communication
- 3 HIST 200 Western Civilization
- 6 Approved Humanities Courses*
Select 3 hours from two different areas:
Fine Arts, Literature, Philosophy, or SPAN 212
- 8 Elementary Foreign Language I & II (SPAN 111/112 or FREN 101/102)
- 3 MATH 103, MATH 112, or higher math _____
- 6-7 Choose one Physical Science and one Biological Science – **one must include a lab***
Biological Science: _____
Physical Science: _____

- * See olivet.edu/registrar for an approved list of courses
- Students completing a minor must complete a minimum of 6 unique hours between major and minor.
- Students pursuing a double major or greater must complete a minimum of 20 unique hours (excludes supporting courses)

Major: 24 Hours (2.0 GPA Required)

- 3 PSCI 101 Intro to Political Science (GER: SOC SCI)
- 3 PSCI 221 Foundations of International Relations
- 3 PSCI 223 Intro to American Government
- 3 PSCI 344 American Public Policy
- 3 PSCI 390 Historiography
- 3 PSCI 422 History of Political Philosophy
- 3 PSCI 460 Postmodern Political Theory
- 3 PSCI 471 Senior Seminar in Political Science

PLUS the completion of one concentration

A. General Political Science Concentration (15 Hours):

Choose 15 hours from the following:

- 3 HIST/PSCI 360 History & Politics of Russia
- 3 PSCI 220 Introduction to Law
- 3 PSCI 280 Law and Western Culture
- 3 PSCI 290 Law, Justice and Culture Institute
- 3 PSCI 315 Federal Seminar
- 3 PSCI 343 American National Politics
- 3 PSCI 352 Christianity and Politics
- 3 PSCI 373 Christian Courage in Public Life
- 3 PSCI/HIST 379 Latin America History and Politics
- 3 PSCI 385 Topics in Political Science
- 3 PSCI 447 Constitutional Law
- 3 PSCI 455 First Amendment and American Democracy
- 3 PSCI 465 American Heritage of Religious Liberty
- 3 PSCI 475 Jurisprudence
- 9 Up to nine hours of upper-division credit may be applied to the major through participation in a departmentally-approved off-campus program. _____

Recommended Supporting Courses

- 4 ESS 105 The Dynamic Earth (GER: PHYS SCI)
- 3 SSCI 302 Global Geographic Issues

B. Public Policy Concentration (21 Hours)

Primary Public Policy Core:

- 3 ECON 308 Comparative Economics
- 3 ECON 110 Principles of Economics
- 3 ECON 312 Intermediate Macroeconomics

PLUS Secondary Public Policy Electives

Choose 12 hours from:

- 1-3 PSCI/SSCI/HIST 315 Federal Seminar
- 3 PSCI 343 American National Politics
- 3 HIST 348 The US in the Cold War
- 3 HIST/PSCI 360 History & Politics of Russia
- 3 HIST/PSCI 379 Latin American History and Politics
- 3 PSCI 447 US Constitutional Law