The Bachelor of Science in Political Science provides a general foundation for the study of politics. The curriculum is designed to introduce basic approaches and methods in the field of political science and to allow students to specialize in a particular aspect of the discipline of political science. The field of political science is well suited for those wishing to pursue graduate study, law school, and/or jobs in government/public affairs.

Students with a major in political science may select concentrations that focus on American Politics, International Politics, or Public Administration.

**DEGREE PARAMETERS**

A. Specialized General studies 48 hours
B. Courses in the major 36 hours
C. Courses in the minor 30 hours
D. Free Electives 6 hours

The student seeking a baccalaureate degree must meet the following requirements:

- A minimum of 120 semester hours
- At least 50% of the degree program must be traditional academic credit
- No more than 25% of the degree may be earned using portfolio-based credit
- At least 25% of the credit hours required must be completed with Troy University
- Twelve semester hours of work in each major field must be completed in residence at Troy University
- Students must earn a minimum of 50% of all degree program hours at a senior college (four-year degree) level in order to graduate from Troy University with a bachelor's degree
- Complete all course requirements for the degree being taken

A candidate for graduation must have an overall C average at Troy University (2.0 on a 4.0 scale) and must also have a C average in the major/minor. This includes hours and grade points earned at other universities and colleges as converted to the Troy University scale (2.0 on a 4.0 scale).
PREREQUISITE COURSE REQUIREMENTS
There are no prerequisite course requirements. However, all students must take the General Education Competency Examination (GECE), which is the Measure of Proficiency and Progress (MAPP) standardized test from the Educational Testing Service, upon completion of the general studies program.

POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR (36 HOURS)

Specialized General Studies Requirements for Area V:
IS 2241 (3) Computer Concepts and Applications
TROY 1101 (3) University Orientation
POL 2241 (3) American National Government or placement in POL 2240
POL 2260 (3) World Politics

Major Requirements
POL 3300 (3) Foundations of Political Science
POL 3330 (3) Political Theory

Students will select one of the following concentrations:

AMERICAN POLITICS CONCENTRATION (30 HOURS)
INTERNATIONAL POLITICS (30 HOURS)
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION CONCENTRATION (30 HOURS)

Students will complete 15 hours from a selected group of classes as set forth in the Troy University Undergraduate Catalog.

Students will choose an additional 15 hours of upper-level (3000 – 4000) political science courses, as approved by your academic adviser.

Current as of 2007-2008 catalog.

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