

Political Science BA

FOUR-YEAR ACADEMIC PLAN

12 Required Core Credits

18 Flexible Core Credits

12 College Option Credits

31 Major Credits

47 Elective Credits

120 Total

This 4-year academic plan is designed to help freshmen entering Queens College in Fall 2018 plan their academic career and ensure that they complete all requirements for graduation in a timely fashion. All other students should consult their academic and department advisors to chart their own 4-year academic plans. Students should note that course pre-requisite/s and co-requisite/s are strictly enforced and they should regularly meet with their department advisors to identify their specific major/minor requirements and entrance and maintenance criteria (if applicable) for successful completion of their degree.

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Freshman

FALL

English Composition I (EC1)	3 credits
One Political Science 100-level course: from PSCI 100-105 (USED, IS, WCGI)	3 credits
Creative Expression (CE)	3 credits
Scientific World (SW)	3 credits
Second major, minor, or general electives*	3 credits

Fall total credits **15 credits**

SPRING

English Composition II (EC2)	3 credits
Another Political Science 100-level course: from PSCI 100-105 (USED, IS, WCGI)	3 credits
Math & Quantitative Reasoning (MQR)	3 credits
Life & Physical Science (LPS)	4 credits
Second major, minor, or general electives*	2 credits

Spring total credits **15 credits**

Sophomore

FALL

Another Political Science 100-level course: from PSCI 100-105 (USED, IS, WCGI)	3 credits
First Political Science 200-level Elective	3 credits
One remaining Flexible Core	3 credits
College Option Literature (LIT+W) With Writing Intensive Unit**	3 credits
College Option Language (LANG)	4 credits

Fall total credits **16 credits**

SPRING

PSCI 200	3 credits
Research Skills in Political Science	
Second Political Science 200-level Elective	3 credits
College Option Science (SCI)	3 credits
An Additional College Core	3 credits
Second major, minor, or general electives*	3 credits

Spring total credits **15 credits**

** If a Literature course is taken with a W, it will count towards Literature and one Writing Intensive Unit.

General Education requirements may be taken in any order if the pre-requisite requirement(s) is/are satisfied. By the upper sophomore year, majors should have worked out a comprehensive course of study in political science with their faculty advisor before registering for more courses.

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Junior

FALL

Third Political Science 200-level Elective 3 credits
Second major, minor, or general electives* 12 credits

Fall total credits 15 credits

SPRING

Fourth Political Science 200-level Elective 3 credits
Fifth Political Science 200-level Elective 3 credits
Second major, minor, or general electives* 9 credits

Spring total credits 15 credits

Senior

FALL

One Political Science seminar 4 credits
from PSCI 381W to 387W (W)
Second major, minor, or general electives* 11 credits

Fall total credits 15 credits

SPRING

Second major, minor, or general electives* 14 credits

Spring total credits 14 credits

*General Electives: Students may complete general electives by taking courses in (most) department/s or programs they choose; however, depending on the course/program, students may need department permission and/or prerequisite course/s. Electives may be used to supplement the chosen major (an English major may want to take a course in French or Italian literature) or to fulfill interest in a different area (a Music major may be interested in the physics of sound). Students are encouraged to use available electives to complete a dual major, minor, pre-requisites for graduate or professional school, or complete and internship, experiential learning and/or study abroad. Students are encouraged to use their available general electives wisely and focus on coursework that will assist them personally, academically and professionally.