

QUEENS COLLEGE

Political Science BA

Government & Public Service Track

FOUR-YEAR ACADEMIC PLAN

12

Required Core Credits

18

Flexible Core Credits

12

College Option Credits

31

Major Credits

47

Elective credits

This 4-year academic plan is for freshmen entering Queens College in Fall 2025.

Our 4-year academic plans are illustrative examples of integrated degree requirements and course sequencing for each of the College's programs of study which are designed to ensure degree completion in a timely manner. Students are advised to meet with professional and faculty advisors to tailor their degree maps to their individual interests (academic and career goals), as well as other considerations including course offerings and the incorporation of winter and summer sessions. Course pre-requisite/s and co-requisite/s are strictly enforced, as are entrance and maintenance criteria (if applicable) for the successful completion of the degree.

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Freshman

FALL

English Composition I (EC1)	3 credits
PSCI 100 (USED)	3 credits
American Politics & Government	
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 (depending on selection, satisfies IS or USED or 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 (depending on selection, satisfies IS or USED or WCGI)	3 credits
One Political Science Course from PSCI 219, 221-224	3 credits
One remaining Flexible Core	3 credits
College Option Literature (LIT)	3 credits
College Option Language (LANG)	4 credits

Fall total credits

16 credits

SPRING

PSCI 200	3 credits
Research Skills in Political Science	
One Political Science Internship**	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 VW, 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

One Political Science Internship**	3 credits
Second major, minor, or general electives	12 credits

Fall total credits	15 credits
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SPRING

One Political Science Elective from other political science courses)	3 credits
One Political Science Elective (from other political science courses)	3 credits
Second major, minor, or general electives	9 credits

Spring total credits	15 credits
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Senior

FALL

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

Fall total credits	15 credits
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SPRING

Second major, minor, or general electives	15 credits
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Spring total credits	15 credits
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** Two Political Science Internships are required, preferably one of which should be with an elected official

***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.