Political Science Major and Secondary Education Cognate Major Requirements
Catalog Year: 2015-16
Degree: Bachelor of Arts
Credit Hours: 99+ (Political Science 36; Secondary Cognate 63)

“PR” indicates a pre-requisite. “CO” indicates a co-requisite.

Courses within this major may also satisfy general education requirements. Please consult http://registrar.cofc.edu/general-edu for more information.

Political Science Teacher Education Program (Grades 9-12)

Students interested in teacher certification in social studies must complete the political science major, the additional coursework required for social studies certification and the secondary education cognate major requirements. See the School of Education, Health and Human Performance section of the undergraduate catalog for a listing of the requirements for the additional certification coursework and the secondary education cognate major. Students should apply for acceptance to this program no later than the second semester of their sophomore year. Requirements for this include admission to and successful completion of the approved teacher education program. Students must successfully complete all requirements for certification in secondary education.

When declaring teacher certification in social studies through the Program of Study Management System (POSM), students must first select “Declare or Add a Major” and then “Secondary Education Cognate” from the major list. Once this selection is made, a second menu box will appear with a list of the associated majors. Select the political science major and follow the on-screen instructions.

Required Courses

☐ POLI 101 American Government (3) PR: None
☐ POLI 103 World Politics (3) PR: None
☐ POLI 104 World Regional Geography (3) PR: None
☐ POLI 150 Introduction to Political Thought (3) PR: None
☐ POLI 205 Doing Research in Politics (3) PR: None
☐ POLI 405 Capstone Seminar (3) PR: POLI 205; Take in the last 9 credit hours of POLI courses.

Note: At least 15 credit hours at the 300-level or above is required of this major.

Select a minimum of 3 credit hours in each of the three subfields of political science:

American Politics and Process

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☐ POLI 210 Introduction to Public Administration (3) PR: None
☐ POLI 211 Introduction to Public Policy (3) PR: None
☐ POLI 213 State and Local Politics (3) PR: None
☐ POLI 214 LGBT Politics (3) PR: None
☐ POLI 301 Bureaucratic Politics and Policy (3) PR: POLI 101 or instructor permission
☐ POLI 304 American Foreign Policy Process (3) PR: None
☐ POLI 305 Urbanization and Urban Geography (3) PR: None
☐ POLI 306 Urban Policy (3) PR: None
☐ POLI 307 Environmental Policy (3) PR: None
POLI 308    Education Policy (3) PR: None
POLI 309    Health Policy (3) PR: None
POLI 310    Urban Applications of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) (3) PR: None
POLI 311    Policymaking in State Legislatures (3) PR: None
POLI 319    Special Topics in Public Policy (3) PR: None
POLI 320    Constitutional Law (3) PR: POLI 101 or instructor permission
POLI 321    Civil Liberties (3) PR: None
POLI 322    Urban Government and Politics (3) PR: POLI 101 or instructor permission
POLI 323    The Congress (3) PR: POLI 101 or instructor permission
POLI 324    The Judiciary (3) PR: POLI 101 or instructor permission
POLI 325    The Presidency (3) PR: POLI 101 or instructor permission
POLI 326    American Politics and Mass Media (3) PR: POLI 101 or instructor permission
POLI 327    Political Parties (3) PR: POLI 101 or instructor permission
POLI 328    Campaigns and Elections (3) PR: POLI 101 or instructor permission
POLI 329    Public Opinion in American Politics (3) PR: POLI 101 or instructor permission
POLI 330    Southern Politics (3) PR: None
POLI 331    Geography of Native Lands/Indian Law (3) PR: None
POLI 332    Women and Politics (3) PR: None
POLI 333    Suburbia: People, Places, and Politics (3) PR: None
POLI 334    Political Campaign Communications (3) PR: POLI 101 or instructor permission
POLI 335    Religion in American Politics (3) PR: POLI 101 or instructor permission
POLI 339    Special Topics in American Politics (3) PR: None

Global Politics and Spaces

POLI 240    Introduction to Comparative Politics (3) PR: None
POLI 245    Cuban Revolution (3) PR: None
POLI 260    International Relations Theory (3) PR: None
POLI 265    International Political Economy (3) PR: None
POLI 266    International Diplomacy Studies (3) PR: None
POLI 340    Politics of Latin America (3) PR: None
POLI 342    Politics of Africa (3) PR: None
POLI 343    Politics of East Asia (3) PR: None
POLI 344    Politics of the Middle East (3) PR: None
POLI 345    Politics of China (3) PR: None
POLI 346    Politics of Southeast Asia (3) PR: None
POLI 347    International Development: Theories and Practices (3) PR: None
POLI 348    Politics of Protest and Revolution (3) PR: None
POLI 350    Comparative Gender Politics (3) PR: None
POLI 351    Politics of Contemporary Brazil (3) PR: None
POLI 352    Geographies and Politics of the European Union (3) PR: None
POLI 353    Geographies and Politics of Food (3) PR: None
POLI 359    Special Topics in Comparative Politics (3) PR: None
POLI 360    International Human Rights Law (3) PR: None
POLI 361    Topics in Foreign Policy (3) PR: None
POLI 363    International Law and Organization (3) PR: None
POLI 364    International Environmental Politics (3) PR: None
POLI 365    International Relations of the Middle East (3) PR: None
POLI 367    Geography of International Conflict (3) PR: None
POLI 368    Political Geography (3) PR: None
POLI 369    Politics of Globalization (3) PR: None
POLI 379    Special Topics in International Relations (3) PR: None

Politics of Ideas

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POLI 292    Topics in Gender, Theory and Law (3) PR: None
POLI 293    Ethics and Politics (3) PR: None
POLI 294    Sustainability (3) PR: None
POLI 295    Law and Society (3) PR: None
POLI 380    Jurisprudence (3) PR: None
POLI 387    American Political Thought (3) PR: None
POLI 390    Contemporary Liberalism (3) PR: None
POLI 391    Utopia/ Dystopia (3) PR: None
POLI 395    Global Political Theory (3) PR: None
POLI 397    Environmental Geography (3) PR: None
POLI 399    Special Topics in Politics of Ideas (3) PR: None

Select 12 additional credit hours to complete the major. Choose from any of the above subfield courses or the following:

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POLI 102   Contemporary Political Issues (3) PR: None

POLI 119   Special Topics in Politics (3) PR: None

POLI 203   Criminal Justice (3) PR: None

POLI 400   Tutorial (3) PR: Junior standing; tutor and department chair permission

POLI 401   Reading and Independent Study in Political Science (3) PR: Instructor permission

POLI 402   Field Internship (3) PR: POLI 205; junior or senior standing; department permission, completion of 18 credit hours in POLI; Normally, a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.50 and a POLI major GPA of 2.80.

POLI 499   Bachelor's Essay (3) PR: A project proposal must be submitted in writing and approved by the department prior to registration for the course.

Secondary Cognate Major Requirements

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Students interested in teacher certification in secondary education must complete a content major, additional coursework required for certification (if applicable), and the secondary education cognate major requirements. Content majors are available in biology (Bachelor of Science Teaching Option), chemistry (Bachelor of Arts), English (Bachelor of Arts), history (Bachelor of Arts, for certification in social studies), mathematics (Bachelor of Science teacher education track), and physics (Bachelor of Arts). Students must successfully complete all requirements for certification in secondary education.

Required Courses

☐ COMM 104   Public Speaking (3) PR: None

Select two MATH courses totaling at least 6 credit hours from the following:

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MATH 103   Contemporary Math with Applications (3) PR: MATH 101 or placement

MATH 104   Elementary Statistics (3) PR: MATH 101 or placement

MATH 105   Calculus for Business and the Social Sciences (3) PR: MATH 101 or placement

MATH 111   Pre-Calculus Mathematics (4) PR: Placement or C- or better in MATH 101

MATH 120   Introductory Calculus (4) PR: Placement or C- or better in MATH 111

MATH 207   Discrete Structures I (3) PR: MATH 105, 111 or 120

MATH 220   Calculus II (4) PR: MATH 120 or HONS 115

MATH 229   Vector Calculus with Chemical Applications (5) PR: Placement or C- or better MATH 120 or HONS 115

MATH 250   Statistical Methods I (3) PR: MATH 105 with a C- grade or better or MATH 111 or MATH 120 or permission of instructor

☐ EDFS 201*   Foundations of Education (3) PR: Sophomore standing.

Note: *EDFS 201 is prerequisite to all other education courses with a grade of C or better.
EDFS 303 Human Growth and Development and the Educational Process (3) PR: None
EDFS 326* Integrating Technology Into Teaching (3)
EDFS 330* Classroom and Behavior Management (3) PR: junior or above
EDFS 345 Introduction to the Education of Exceptional Children and Youth (3) PR: EDFS 303.
EDFS 455 Literacy and Assessment in the Content Areas (3)
EDFS 456 Teaching Strategies in the Content Areas (English, Math, Science, Social Studies) (3)

Note: *Students must enroll in the Secondary sections for each of the courses marked with an asterisk. (See associate department chair to register for courses.) Each course requires a school-based field experience. Students will need a 3-hour block of time per week between the hours of 7 a.m. and 2 p.m. Monday through Friday, to complete each school-based experience.

Clinical Practice Internship Requirement
EDFS 460* Clinical Practice in the Content Area (12) PR: Admission to a teacher education program and completion of all education requirements. This course is graded pass-fail. A grade of “P” carries only earned hours. It does not carry quality hours or quality points.

Note: *Students seeking recommendation for South Carolina certification in Secondary Education must complete the program of study above and meet the admission, retention, and exit requirements of the program and the School of Education, Health, and Human Performance. Recommendation to the South Carolina Department of Education for certification in South Carolina is contingent upon successful completion of Clinical Practice, and achievement of passing scores on the necessary Praxis II test(s) for recommendation. Students who do not take Clinical Practice may not earn a degree in Secondary Education and will not be recommended for certification. See your faculty advisor for additional information.

Additional Coursework required beyond Content major (HIST, POLI, SOCY) for Social Studies Certification:
HIST 103 World History before 1500 (3) PR: None
HIST 104 World History since 1500 (3) PR: None
HIST 201 United States to 1865 (3) PR: One course in pre-modern history and one course in modern history from the list of approved courses satisfying the general education history requirement (see http://registrar.cofc.edu/general-edu).
OR
HIST 202 United States Since 1865 (3) PR: One course in pre-modern history and one course in modern history from the list of approved courses satisfying the general education history requirement (see http://registrar.cofc.edu/general-edu).
ANTH 101 Introduction to Anthropology (3) PR: None
ECON 200 Principles of Microeconomics (3) PR: None
POLI 101 American Government (3) PR: None
POLI 104 World Regional Geography (3) PR: None
SOCY 101 Introduction to Sociology (3) PR: None

Notes:
- You should apply for admission (this is NOT declaring your major) to the Teacher Education Program the semester you are enrolled in EDFS 201 Foundations of Education. Requirements for admission:
  - Minimum overall GPA of 2.75 and 60 earned credit hours.
- Passing score on the 3 components of the PRAXIS 1: Pre-Professional Skills Test (Reading, Writing, and Mathematics) as designated by the South Carolina Department of Education OR qualifying SAT or ACT scores.

- Disposition forms from (a) a general education faculty member, (b) your EDFS 201 professor, and (c) someone who has observed you working with children.

- If a student has transfer credit for a course that is equivalent to EDFS 201, they must meet with the Teacher Education department chair and complete 1 hour of work.

- A grade of C or better in EDFS 201 Foundations of Education.

- Your admission process must be completed before beginning the professional program.

- You must complete a major in the content area and the cognate major to be forwarded to the State Department of Education for certification.