

**Florida International University  
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**THE POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR AT A GLANCE – 39 Credits Required - Effective Fall 2014**

*All courses meeting major requirements must be passed with a grade of "C" or better.*

**I. Common Prerequisites: (3 Courses / 9 credits)**

Transfer students may have taken these courses, or their equivalents, at another institution. See assigned advisor with questions regarding course equivalencies.

**A. Required Course:**

POS 2041/2042 American Government

**B. Must take TWO of the following three courses:**

CPO 2002 Introduction to Comparative Politics

INR 2001 Introduction to International Relations

POT 2002 Introduction to Political Theory

**II. Breadth Requirements: (8 courses / 24 credits)** - This is designed to acquaint all majors with the four general fields of Political Science. **Two** three-credit hour courses must be taken in each of the following subfields, for a total of **24** credits. These courses may not include independent studies, internships or POS 4784 Analytic Writing in Political Science.

**Comparative Politics (6 credits, CPO prefix, 3000 level or higher)**

\_\_\_\_\_ CPO 3000/4000 course 3 credits

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**International Politics (6 credits, INR prefix, 3000 level or higher)**

\_\_\_\_\_ INR 3000/4000 course 3 credits

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**American Politics (6 credits, POS prefix, 3000 level or higher – Except POS 4784).**

\_\_\_\_\_ POS 3000/4000 course 3 credits

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**Political Theory (6 credits, POT prefix, 3000 level or higher)**

\_\_\_\_\_ POT 3000/4000 course 3 credits

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**III. Political Science Elective Requirements: (2 courses / 6 credits)** Two additional courses, 3000 level or above, with any departmental prefix (CPO, INR, POS, or POT). A maximum of 6 credits of Internship, Independent Study, and/or POS 4784 can be applied toward the Political Science Electives requirement.

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\*\*Other approved Political Science internship or independent study credits may be counted as university "general electives" outside the major.

\*\*\* Global Learning courses within the major include: CPO 3010, CPO 3055, CPO 4057, INR 4075, and INR 3081 (GL F/DS)

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