

POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR, BA

Campus: NYC, Westchester

Prepares students for careers and graduate study in political science, international relations, diplomacy, law, public policy advocacy, and public administration, as well as for other opportunities in private, public, and nonprofit sectors that utilize skills involving critical thinking and writing skills, advocacy, civic competency, leadership, decision making, and negotiation.

Major Completion Summary

Requirement	Credits
University Core Requirements	44-55
Major Requirements	33
Open Electives	40-51
Total Credits	128

University Core Requirements (44-55 Credits)

See complete University Core (<http://catalog.pace.edu/undergraduate/university-core-curriculum/>) requirements.

Code	Title	Credits
University Core		
Complete University Core Requirements ¹		44-55
Total Credits		44-55

¹ All Political Science majors must complete MAT 102 Mathematics for Life For recommended Area courses, students see department program advisor.

Major Requirements (33 Credits)

Code	Title	Credits
Required Major Courses		
Complete three of the following courses:		9
POL 101	Politics: Comparative Introduction	
POL 102	Public Myth and Ideologies	
POL 111	American Government and Political Institutions	
POL 114	Introduction to International Relations	
Students must choose one course from each of the following subfields:		
<i>American Politics & Public Policy</i>		3
POL 118	State and Local Government	
POL 201A	Campaign Politics	
POL 203C	Individual Liberties and the Bill of Rights	
POL 209	Leadership and Advocacy	
POL 220	Political Parties and Interest Groups	
POL 222	Issues in Public Policy	
POL 224	Public Opinion and Polling Methods	
POL 244	American Political Thought	
POL 245	Politics and Media	
POL 257	Latinx Politics in the United States	
POL 296R	Topic: Race and American Political Development	
POL 297M	Topics: Public Education, Policy, and Law	
POL 301G	Workshop: Presidential Leadership	
POL 301H	Workshop: Congress and Public Policy	
POL 301J	Workshop: Constitutional Law and Social Change	
POL 380A	Challenge Seminar: Democracy in America	

Political Theory

POL 196F	Special Topic: Twelve Big Ideas in Politics
POL 208	Survey of Comparative Political Theory
POL 225	Global Justice
POL 241	Classical Political Thought
POL 242	Medieval Political Theory
POL 243	Modern Political Theory
POL 244	American Political Thought
POL 249	Feminist Political Theory
POL 297G	Topic: Political Consciousness - The Inward Journey Meets Transforming the World
<i>Comparative Politics / International Relations</i>	
POL 196G	Topic: Immigration, Politics, and Justice
POL 202F	Topic: Introduction to International Organizations
POL 203G	Politics Workshop: African Politics and Foreign Policy
POL 210	Comparative Political Systems
POL 213	Twenty-First Century Politics
POL 214	Revolution or Reform
POL 215	Chinese Politics
POL 219	International Political Economy and Globalization
POL 230	U.S. Foreign Relations
POL 233	Advanced International Relations
POL 247	International Law and Human Rights
POL 297B	Environmental Politics
POL 297L	Global Politics of Disarmament and Arms Control
POL 297P	Topics: Ocean Politics
POL 302A	Politics Workshop: Comparative Government
POL 303A	Politics Workshop: International Organization
POL 303C	Politics Workshop: United Nations
POL 303D	Workshop: International Issues and Trouble Spots
POL 303F	Workshop: Freedom in the World
POL 303K	POL 303K Workshop: Topics in Political Science: Brazil
POL 303M	Topics: Migration Politics: From Displacement to Deportation
POL 322	Diplomacy
POL 310	Politics of Southeast Asia
POL 325	Conflict Analysis
POL 326	Reconciliation and Transitional Justice
POL 330	Politics of the Global City

Required Major Electives

Select five POL courses at the advanced level (115 and above). All NYC students must take POL 240 as a major elective. At least one course must be completed at the 300-level. No more than 6 credits towards the major of Model UN, no more than 3 credits towards the major of internship for credit. ^{1,2,3} 15

Total Credits**33**

¹ NYC students must include POL 240 Applied Research Methods.

² No more than nine credits of Model UN courses of POL 303A Politics Workshop: International Organization/POL 303C Politics Workshop: United Nations may be counted toward this major, and these courses are restricted to sophomores and above students.

³ No more than six credits in POL 393 Internship in Government and POL 395 Independent Study in Political Studies/Science may count toward the major.

Open Electives (40-51 Credits)

Code	Title	Credits
Open Electives		
Select 40-51 credits		40-51
Total Credits		40-51

General Track

In addition to the courses listed below, students are required to complete two courses with the Anti-Racism Education attribute attached. These courses may be taken during any semester of their education. See advisor for more information.

Course	Title	Credits
First Year		
Fall		
ENG 110	Composition	3
MAT 102	Mathematics for Life	3
POL 101	Politics: Comparative Introduction	3
UNV 101	First-Year Seminar: Introduction to University Community	1
Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course		3
Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course		3
Credits		16
Spring		
ENG 120	Critical Writing	4
COM 200	Public Speaking	3
POL 102 or POL 111	Public Myth and Ideologies (Please add as an option here POL 111) or American Government and Political Institutions	3
First Second Language Course. See Advisor for guidelines		3
Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course		3
Credits		16
Second Year		
Fall		
CIS 101	Introduction to Computing	0-3
POL 111 or POL 114	American Government and Political Institutions or Introduction to International Relations	3
One Lab science course		3
First Second Language Course. See Advisor for guidelines		3
Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course		3
Credits		12-15
Spring		
ENG 201	Writing in the Disciplines	3
POL 209	Leadership and Advocacy	3
Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course		3
Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course		3
Two Learning Community (LC) courses		6
Credits		18
Third Year		
Fall		
POL 240	Applied Research Methods	3
Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course		3
Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course		3
One upper-level elective course in subject POL Political Theory		3
One upper-level elective course in subject POL Comparative-International Relations		3

Open Elective Course	3
Credits	18
Spring	
Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course	3
One upper-level elective course in subject POL American Politics	3
POL 393 Internship in Government (Or upper-level elective course in subject POL)	3
Open Elective Course (Writing Enhanced (WE))	3
Open Elective Course (Writing Enhanced (WE))	3
Credits	15
Fourth Year	
Fall	
One 300-level elective course in subject POL	3
Open Elective Course	3
Open Elective Course	3
Open Elective Course	3
Open Elective Course	3
Credits	15
Spring	
One elective course in subject POL	3
Open Elective Course	3
Open Elective Course	3
Open Elective Course	3
Open Elective Course	3
Credits	15
Total Credits	125-128

BA Political Science/law-JD (PSL) Track

In addition to the courses listed below, students are required to complete two courses with the Anti-Racism Education attribute attached. These courses may be taken during any semester of their education. See advisor for more information.

Course	Title	Credits
First Year		
Fall		
ENG 110	Composition	3
MAT 102	Mathematics for Life	3
POL 101	Politics: Comparative Introduction	3
UNV 101	First-Year Seminar: Introduction to University Community	1
		3
First Second Language Course. See Advisor for guidelines		3
Credits		16
Spring		
ENG 120	Critical Writing	4
COM 200	Public Speaking	3
POL 102	Public Myth and Ideologies	3
Second Language Course, if applicable		3
Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course		3
Credits		16
Second Year		
Fall		
CIS 101	Introduction to Computing	0-3
POL 111	American Government and Political Institutions	3
or POL 114	or Introduction to International Relations	
One Lab science course		3

Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course (Civic Engagement (CE) course)	3
Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course	3
Credits	12-15
Spring	
ENG 201 Writing in the Disciplines	3
POL 209 Leadership and Advocacy	3
Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course	3
One elective course in subject POL	3
Two Learning Community (LC) courses	6
Credits	18
Third Year	
Fall	
POL 240 Applied Research Methods	3
Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course	3
One upper-level elective course in subject POL Political Theory	3
One upper-level elective course in subject POL Comparative-International Relations	3
One elective course in subject POL	3
Credits	15
Spring	
Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course	3
One upper-level elective course in subject POL American Politics	3
POL 393 Internship in Government (Or upper-level elective course in subject POL)	3
Open Elective Course	3
One 300-level elective course in subject POL	3
Credits	15
Fourth Year	
Fall	
Law School course	3
Law School course	3
Law School course	3
Law School course	3
Law School course	3
Credits	15
Spring	
Law School course	3
Law School course	3
Law School course	3
Law School course	3
Law School course	3
Credits	15
Total Credits	122-125

BA Political Sci/Public Admin-MPA (PLG) Track

In addition to the courses listed below, students are required to complete two courses with the Anti-Racism Education attribute attached. These courses may be taken during any semester of their education. See advisor for more information.

Course	Title	Credits
First Year		
Fall		
ENG 110	Composition	3
MAT 102 or MAT 134	Mathematics for Life or Introduction to Probability and Statistics	3
POL 101	Politics: Comparative Introduction	3

UNV 101	First-Year Seminar: Introduction to University Community	1
Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course		3
Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course		3
Credits		16
Spring		
ENG 120	Critical Writing	4
COM 200	Public Speaking	3
POL 102	Public Myth and Ideologies	3
First Second Language Course. See Advisor for guidelines		3
Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course		3
Credits		16
Second Year		
Fall		
CIS 101	Introduction to Computing	0-3
POL 111 or POL 114	American Government and Political Institutions or Introduction to International Relations	3
One Lab science course		4
First Second Language Course. See Advisor for guidelines		3
Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course		3
Credits		13-16
Spring		
ENG 201	Writing in the Disciplines	3
POL 209	Leadership and Advocacy	3
Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course		3
Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course		3
Two Learning Community (LC) courses		6
Credits		18
Third Year		
Fall		
POL 240	Applied Research Methods	3
Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course		3
Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course		3
One upper-level elective course in subject POL Political Theory		3
One upper-level elective course in subject POL Comparative-International Relations		3
Open Elective Course		3
Credits		18
Spring		
Take any one remaining Area of Knowledge course		3
One upper-level elective course in subject POL American Politics		3
POL 393	Internship in Government (Or upper-level elective course in subject POL)	3
One 300-level elective course in subject POL		3
Open Elective Course		3
Credits		15
Fourth Year		
Fall		
Open Elective Course		3
Open Elective Course		3
POL 240	Applied Research Methods	3
PAA 601	Public Administration and its Environment	3
PAA 603	Economics of Government, Health Care and Nonprofit Entities	3
Credits		15

Spring

PAA 602	Organization Theory and Management	3
PAA 604	Budgeting and Financial Analysis	3
PAA 630	Intergovernmental Relations	3
Open Elective Course		3
Open Elective Course		3

Credits	15
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Fifth Year**Fall**

PAA 605	Ethics and Leadership (Or any PAA elective course)	3
PAA 606	Research Design for Administrators	3
PAA 607	Applied Data Analysis	3
PAA 632	Policy Studies (Or any PAA track course)	3
PAA 695	Internship: Non Profit, Government, and Healthcare (Or any PAA elective course)	3

Credits	15
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Spring

PAA 615	Program Planning and Evaluation (Or any PAA elective course)	3
PAA 641	Municipal Management (Or any PAA track course)	3
PAA 644	Seminar in Government Management (Or any PAA track course)	3
PAA 699	Capstone Project Seminar	3

Credits	12
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Total Credits	153-156
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