

FOUR-YEAR PLAN

Political Science, B.S.

15 to Finish



Semester 1

Course	Credits	Grade	✓
ENGL 101: Composition & Rhetoric I	3	C*	<input type="checkbox"/>
General Education Course	2-3	C	<input type="checkbox"/>
General Education Course	3	C	<input type="checkbox"/>
General Education Course	3	C	<input type="checkbox"/>
POSC 101: Introduction to Political Science	3	C	<input type="checkbox"/>
UNIV 100: CU Foundations	1	C	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Semester 2

Course	Credits	Grade	✓
ENGL 102: Composition & Rhetoric II	3	C*	<input type="checkbox"/>
MATH 105: Elementary Statistics	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
General Education Course	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
POSC 104: American Federal Government	3	C	<input type="checkbox"/>
Elective/Minor	3	C	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Semester 3

Course	Credits	Grade	✓
General Education Course	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
General Education Course	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
General Education Course	3-4		<input type="checkbox"/>
POSC 303: International Relations	3	C	<input type="checkbox"/>
Elective/Minor	3		<input type="checkbox"/>

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Semester 4

Course	Credits	Grade	✓
General Education Course	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
General Education Course	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
POSC 202: State and Local Government	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
POSC Elective	3	C	<input type="checkbox"/>
Elective/Minor	3		<input type="checkbox"/>

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The Bachelor of Science in Political Science degree

prepares students for a variety of careers as well as providing the educational foundation necessary to pursue graduate study in Political Science, Public Administration, law, and related disciplines.



MILESTONE COURSES

Courses marked as Milestone Courses are crucial for staying on track to complete your degree in four years. Take them in the recommended semester to stay on track! If you see a recommended minimum grade, this is the grade you need to earn to have the best chance for success in this degree! Grades marked with an asterisk are required to pass.



CAPSTONE

The Political Science degree includes a capstone course: POSC 430: Seminar in Political Science, to be taken in the Spring of the Junior or Senior year. In conjunction with this course, students must take and pass a comprehensive examination.

Helpful Hints

- Use this plan in consultation with your Academic Advisor.
- Semester 3—You may choose to take either POSC 303: International Relations or POSC 304: Comparative Government (offered alternate fall semesters).
- Semester 4—POSC 202: State & Local Government and POSC 204: Public Administration are recommended POSC Electives.

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Semester 5

Course	Credits	Grade	✓
POSC 338: Modern Political Ideologies	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
POSC Elective	3	C	<input type="checkbox"/>
Elective/Minor	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
Elective/Minor	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
Elective/Minor	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
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Semester 6



Course	Credits	Grade	✓
POSC 450: Internship	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
POSC Elective	3	C	<input type="checkbox"/>
Elective/Minor	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
Elective/Minor	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
Elective/Minor	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
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Semester 7

Course	Credits	Grade	✓
Elective/Minor	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
Elective/Minor	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
Elective/Minor	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
Elective/Minor	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
Elective/Minor	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
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Semester 8



Course	Credits	Grade	✓
POSC 430: Seminar in Political Science	3	C	<input type="checkbox"/>
Elective/Minor	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
Elective/Minor	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
Elective/Minor	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
Elective/Minor	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
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ADVISING

When you choose to pursue this degree, you will be assigned an advisor who is an expert in the field of Political Science. This advisor can help you with course selection, career planning, resume building, and help you with tracking your path to degree completion.

CAREERS

Government Employee (Federal, State, Municipal)
 Legislative Staff Member
 Campaign Advisor
 Non-Profit Worker
 Foreign Service Officer
 Policy Analyst
 Teacher (Civics, Government)

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Student Government Association
 Pi Sigma Alpha (Political Science Honors Society)
 CU College Republicans
 CU Young Democrats

COMPLEMENTARY MINORS

This degree provides flexibility for students to pursue a minor or a double major.

Minors that incorporate POSC courses:

International Studies
 Legal Studies
 Public Administration

Minors that also pair well with POSC:

Geography
 History
 Sociology

Helpful Hints

- Semester 5—You may choose to take POSC 338: Modern Political Ideologies, POSC 405: Political Theory I, or POSC 406: Political Theory II.
- Semester 6 Internship—You must earn at least 3 credit hours of Political Science Internship (120 work hours).