POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR

Requirements

Degree Requirements

This major is available as a bachelor of arts degree only, as defined in the section on degree requirements (http://catalog.linfield.edu/degrees-and-programs/undergraduate/ba-bs-bsn/) for all majors in this catalog.

Major Requirements

39 credits

Code	Title	Credits
POLS 201	AMERICAN POLITICS	4
POLS 210	INTERNATIONAL POLITICS	4
POLS 220	GREAT POLITICAL THINKERS	4
POLS 230	RESEARCH METHODOLOGY	4
POLS 487	EXPERIENCES IN POLITICS: INTERNSHIP	4
POLS 489	SENIOR SEMINAR ¹	3
POLS 490	SENIOR CAPSTONE 1	3
POLS 498	PROSEMINAR ²	1
12 additional POLS elective credits to reach 39 total		12
Total Credits		39

Students must sign up for senior project (SENIOR SEMINAR (POLS 489)) in the fall of their senior year and the senior seminar (SENIOR CAPSTONE (POLS 490)) in the spring of their senior year.

Student Learning Outcomes

- think critically, systematically, and creatively about political issues by employing a variety of theoretical and methodological tools;
- demonstrate a fundamental grasp of the central political problems in local, national, and global contexts;
- communicate in a clear, cogent, and literate fashion to a range of audiences, both in writing and verbally;
- apply their coursework to their own experience through January term courses abroad, internships, and/or a semester in Washington, D.C.; and
- engage productively and responsively in civic debate and discourse.

Oregon Preliminary Teaching Licensure in Social Studies

Students who are also seeking an Oregon Preliminary Teaching License must also complete a Secondary Education major with Licensure. In order to complete the Secondary Education major with Licensure, students should begin taking education courses no later than their sophomore year. The student must be advised by faculty in both majors

The proseminar is chosen during the junior year from among elective courses designated by department faculty. Students taking a course as a proseminar register simultaneously for the course (4 credits) and PROSEMINAR (POLS 498) (1 credit).