

Articulation Agreement by Major

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Political Economy, Lower Division B.A.

COLLEGE OF LETTERS AND SCIENCE

COLLEGE ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS THIS MAJOR IS OFFERED BY THE COLLEGE OF LETTERS AND SCIENCE (L&S).

By the end of the spring term preceding fall enrollment at Berkeley, you must complete:

- 1) The L&S Requirements in Reading & Composition, Quantitative Reasoning, and Foreign Language; **OR**
- 2) IGETC

Major Requirements:

Complete as many lower division major requirements as possible. See details on preparation for this major below.

Primary selection criteria for admission, in general:

- completion of L&S Requirements (or IGETC), plus
- strength of academic preparation, and
- grade point average.

For more information on admission to UC Berkeley:

<http://admissions.berkeley.edu>

For more information on majors at UC Berkeley:

Berkeley Academic Guide: <http://guide.berkeley.edu>

PROGRAM

Political Economy (PE) examines the relationship between politics and economics in modern societies and focuses on problems of both domestic and international policy. Based on the assumption that political-economic relationships are affected by any number of factors, such as society, culture, geography, and demographics, the curriculum is both multi- and interdisciplinary in scope. The focus of the major is on contemporary issues, although a strong historical perspective is also emphasized. Students may also study planning and problem solving, environmental issues, resource distribution, and the challenges of institutional adaptation, and changing political systems.

The major is designed to provide a broad-based liberal arts background, as well as the intellectual skills appropriate for careers in either the public or private sector. Additionally, the major offers an excellent background for students planning postgraduate careers in social science disciplines and professional schools.

Some of the questions addressed in the major include:

- the tension between rising consumer demand and the need to minimize resource depletion and pollution;
- the different priorities served by capitalist, socialist, and traditionalist varieties of political economy;
- the different priorities served by democratic and authoritarian political systems;
- how international interdependence may undermine the efforts of national governments to cope with unemployment, inflation, trade and payment deficits, health, housing and welfare problems, and other societal issues.
- the importance of organizational structures for policy-making in both the public and private sector.

For more information:

<https://politicaleconomy.berkeley.edu/courses-of-study/the-political-economy-major/>

REQUIREMENTS

Political Economy Major Requirements

- Completion of GLOBAL 45 with a grade of B- or better and ECON 1 or 2 with a grade of C or better are required to declare the PE major. **NOTE:** Berkeley's ECON 1 and 2 cover macro-economics **and** micro-economics. GLOBAL 45 is offered during the summer, fall, and spring semesters on the Berkeley campus only.
- All PE majors must be able to demonstrate proficiency in a modern language other than English equivalent to four college-level semesters (or two years). There are several ways to fulfill the language requirement:

Advanced Placement exam: A score of 5 on the AP Language (not Literature) exam.

Proficiency test: Proficiency tests are available to students with native language proficiency in many, but not all, languages. Students who intend to fulfill the language requirement by passing a proficiency test should speak with a PE advisor as soon as possible to ensure that proficiency tests are offered in their language.

Students with native, advanced background or those who were educated in a non-English language through the completion of high school or the equivalent may wish to satisfy this requirement with that experience. This requires a language proficiency exam.

Course-work: Students who cannot fulfill the language requirement using one of the above methods should take as many semesters of foreign language as possible before transferring. **NOTE:** High school language course credit does not satisfy the foreign language requirement.

Advanced Placement (AP) exams can satisfy the following requirements for the PE major:

- Economics AP: a score of 4 or 5 on BOTH the Macro AND Micro exams satisfies UCB ECON 1.
- Statistics AP: a score of 3 satisfies the Statistics requirement for the PE major.
- Foreign Language (not Literature) AP: a score of 5 satisfies the four-semester foreign language requirement.
- World History AP: a score of 5 satisfies the GLOBAL 45 requirement. Note: This only applies to AP World History. Exams taken before July 1, 2018.

After Enrolling at UC Berkeley

All students who declare Political Economy after August 20, 2014 must meet these eligibility requirements, listed below:

- must have a cumulative UC Berkeley **GPA of 2.7 or higher**

AND

- must have completed GLOBAL 45 with a grade of **B- or higher on the 1st attempt**

Beginning in Fall 2014, students who do not earn a B- or higher in GLOBAL 45 in their 1st attempt will not be eligible to declare the Political Economy major, regardless of the semester in which GLOBAL 45 was taken.

LOWER DIVISION MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

ECON 1 - Introduction to Economics (4.00)



ECON 1 - Principles of Macroeconomics (4.00)

--- And ---

ECON 2 - Principles of Microeconomics (4.00)

- *Regular and honors courses may be combined to complete this series*

--- Or ---

ECON 1H - Principles of Macroeconomics - HONORS (4.00)

--- And ---

ECON 2H - Principles of Microeconomics - HONORS (4.00)

- *Regular and honors courses may be combined to complete this series*

GLOBAL 45 - Survey of World History (4.00)



This course must be taken at the university after transfer

- *Course(s) must be taken at university*

STAT 2 - Introduction to Statistics (4.00)



MATH 10 - Introductory Statistics (5.00)

--- Or ---

MATH 10H - Introductory Statistics - HONORS (5.00)

--- Or ---

MATH 17 - Integrated Statistics 2 (5.00)

--- Or ---

STAT C8 - Foundations of Data Science (4.00)



No Course Articulated

Same-As: INFO C8, COMPSCI C8, DATA C8

--- Or ---

STAT 20 - Introduction to Probability and Statistics (4.00)



No Course Articulated

- *This course has a prerequisite of one semester of calculus*

--- Or ---

STAT 21 - Introductory Probability and Statistics for Business (4.00)



No Course Articulated

- *This course has a prerequisite of one semester of calculus*

END OF AGREEMENT