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DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY, POLITICAL

SCIENCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

The Department of History, Political Science and Public Administration offers three majors at the baccalaureate level, one in the area of his- tory, one in the area of political science, and one as a double major in history and political science. The major in history is designed to pre- pare researchers for graduate work, government service or industry. A student who majors in history must complete a minimum of 54 semester hour courses beginning at the 2000 level.

Course Requirements for the Bachelor of Arts in History

1. Complete a maximum of 124 semester hours with a cumulative grade point average of 2.25 or higher. The last 30 hours must be completed at Albany State University.

2. During the freshman and sophomore years, the student must complete Core Areas A-E.

3. History major requirements -complete the-following:

a. HIST 1111, 1112,2111 and 2112 b. HIST 3301, 3302, 4301 and 4302

c. Three American History courses at the 3000-4000 levels d. Three European History courses at the 3000-4000 levels

e. Three Non-Western History courses at the 3000-4000 levels f. Three professional electives at the 3000-4000 levels

g. Complete up to ten (10) hours of general electives

**COURSE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE**

The major in political science encompasses an investigation of governmental institutions and political behavior at all levels from the local to the international. The political science major will take courses in American Government, Comparative Government, Constitutional Law, Po- litical Theory, Research Methodology and International Relations. The political science major is suitable for students with career interests in teaching, law, state and local government, urban planning, federal bureaucracy, and journalism. The political science major must complete 54 semester hour courses beginning at the 2000 level.

1. Complete a maximum of 123-124 semester hours with a cumulative grade point average of 2.25 or higher. The last 30 hours must be completed at Albany State University.

2. During the freshman and sophomore years, the student must complete Core Areas A-E.

3. Political Science major requirements -complete the following:

a. Complete POLS 2101 and SSCI 2402 b. Complete POLS 4371, 4372 and 4401

c. Complete the following -POLS 3511 or 4512 and choose an additional six semester hours from International Relations/Comparative

Government POLS 4512, 4513, 4514, 4515, 4816, 4817 and 4824.

d. Complete POLS 3601 and choose six additional semester hours from American National/State/Local Government

e. Complete POLS 3701 and choose six hours from Constitutional Law. Complete nine hours of professional political science electives from POLS 3705, 3708, 4515, 4818 and 4619 (or any other electives under areas F, G or H that are not used to satisfy electives in those areas

f. Complete up to ten (10) hours of general electives.

**Minor Programs**

Minor programs are offered in History, Political Science, Pre-Law, International Affairs, Public Administration, and African/African-Ameri- can Studies. Each minor program consists of 18 semester hours beyond the core requirements. The programs prepare students for profes- sional careers and advanced study in History, Political Science, Law, and Public and Private Sector Administration. Internship experiences in Political Science and Public Administration are available.

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**BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE IN HISTORY**

**Courses Titles Credit Hrs.**

**Area E Social Science 12 hrs.** POLS 1101 U.S. & Georgia Government or 3 hrs. HONR 1161 Honors U.S. & Georgia Government

**Electives: Select 9 hours from 3 different areas with at least 3 hours from an “historical” perspective.**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| ECON | 2105 | Principles of Macroeconomics |
| ECON | 2106 | Principles of Microeconomics |
| ECON | 2201 | Survey of Economics |
| GEOG | 1101 | Intro. to Human Geography |
| HIST | 1111 | Survey of World History I |
| HIST | 1112 | Survey of World History II |
| HIST | 2113 | Minorities in America |
| HONR | 1151 | Honors Survey of World History I |
| HIST | 2115 | African American History |
| HONR | 1152 | Honors Survey of World History II |
| PHIL | 2101 | Intro. to Philosophy |
| POLS | 2101 | Intro. to Political Science |
| POLS | 2102 | Intro. to Law |
| PSYC | 1101 | General Psychology |
| SOCI | 2011 | Principles of Sociology |
| SOCI | 2031 | Intro. to Anthropology |

**Area F (History) 18 Hrs.** Foreign Language Sequence 6 hours HIST 2111 Survey of American History I 3 hours HIST 2112 Survey of American History II 3 hours SSCI 2402 Micro-Computers in the SSCI 3 hours

2000 Level Courses (Select one) 3 hours

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| ECON | 2105 | Principles of Macroeconomics |
| ECON | 2106 | Principles of Microeconomics |
| ECON | 2201 | Survey of Economics |
| PHIL | 2101 | Intro. to Philosophy |
| POLS | 2101 | Intro. to Political Science |
| SOCI | 2011 | Principles of Sociology |
| SOCI | 2031 | Intro. to Anthropology |

**PROFESSIONAL COURSES 48 HOURS**

**A. General 12 Hrs.**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| HIST | 3301 | Historical Methods I |
| HIST | 3302 | Historical Methods II |
| HIST | 4301 | Senior Seminar I |
| HIST | 4302 | Senior Seminar II |

**B. American History (Select 3 courses) 9 Hrs.**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| HIST | 3403 | History of Georgia |
| HIST | 3404 | Diplomatic History of the U.S. |
| HIST | 3405 | Civil War and Reconstruction |
| HIST | 4402 | Directed Readings in American History |
| HIST | 4403 | The Afro-American in American Thought |
| HIST | 4404 | The History of the South |
| HIST | 4405 | Contemporary American, 1945 to Present |
| HIST | 4408 | The Civil Rights Era |

**C. European History (Select 3 courses) 9 Hrs.**

HIST 3406 Directed Readings in European History

HIST 3510 Classical History HIST 3511 Modern Europe I HIST 3512 Modern Europe II HIST 3514 English History I

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| --- | --- | --- |
| HIST | 3515 | English History II |
| HIST | 3516 | Social and Intellectual History of Modern Europe |
| HIST | 3518 | The European Middle Ages |
| HIST | 3519 | European Renaissance, Reformation and Reconnaissance |
| HIST | 3630 | Spanish History |

**D. Non-Western History (Select 3 courses) 9 Hrs.**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| HIST | 3206 | Slavery in Ancient and Modern Worlds |
| HIST | 3408 | Directed Readings in Non-Western History |
| HIST | 3631 | History of Latin America |
| HIST | 3632 | History of Russia |
| HIST | 3633 | The Revolution of Modern History |
| HIST | 4611 | Studies in African History |
| HIST | 4612 | Studies in African Diaspora |
| HIST | 4613 | East Asian History |
| HIST | 4614 | Race and Politics in the US & the Caribbean |
| HIST | 4814 | Women and Politics Cross-Culturally |
| HIST | 4815 | History of Global Terrorism |

**E. History Electives 3000-4000 level 9 Hrs.**

(Select 3 courses)

**General Electives Up to 10 Hrs.**

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**PROGRAM OF STUDY FOR THE BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE IN HISTORY**

124 Semester Hours

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| **Freshman Year** | **Fall** |  | **Spring** |  | |
| ENGL 1101 | Eng. Comp. I | 3 | ENGL 1102 | Eng. Comp. II | 3 |
| MATH 1111 | College Algebra | 3 | Area B Elective |  | 2 |
| ASU 1200 | Freshman Seminar & |  |  |  |  |
|  | Service to Leadership | 3 | COMM 1100 | Fundamental of Public Speaking | 3 |
| Electives |  | 1 | PEDH Elective |  | 1 |
| HIST 1002 | Intro. African. Dias. | 2 | Science Elective | 4 |  |
| Science Elective |  | 4 | Humanities & Fine Arts Elective | | 3 |
| **Total** |  | **16** |  | | **16** |
| **Sophomore Year** |  |  |  | |  |
| ENGL 2111 | World Lit. I | 3 | Social Science Area E. Elec. | | 3 |
| Fine Arts Elective |  | 3 | Social Science Area E. Elec. | | 3 |
| POLS 1101 | U.S. & GA Government | 3 | SSCI 2402 Microcomputers in Soc. Sci. | | 3 |
| MATH Elective | | 3 | American History Elec. | | 3 |
| Social Science Elective | | 3 | European History Elec. | | 3 |
| Elec. Area D (Technology) | | 2 | PEDH Elective 1 | |  |
| **Total** | | **17** |  | | **16** |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Junior Year** |  | | | | |
| Foreign Language |  | 3 | Foreign Language |  | 3 |
| HIST 2111 | Survey Am. Hist. I | 3 | HIST 2112 | Survey. Am. Hist. II | 3 |
| Social Science Elective 3 HIST 3302 Hist. Meth. II 3 | | | | | |
| HIST 3301 Hist. Meth. I | | 3 | Non-Western Hist. Elec. | | 3 |
| American History Elective | |  | 3 European Hist. Elec. or POLS 4513 | | 3 |
| **Total** | | **15** |  | | **15** |

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| **Senior Year** |  | | |
| HIST 4301 Senior Seminar I | 3 | HIST 4302 Senior Seminar II | 3 |
| American History Elective | 3 | Non-Western Hist. Elec. | 3 |
| European History Elective | 3 | History Elec. (3000-4000) | 3 |
| Non-Western History Elec. | 3 | General Elective | 3 |
| History Elec. (3000-4000) | 3 | General Elective | 3 |
| **Total** | **15** | **15** |  |
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**BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE**

123-124 Semester Hours

**Area F (Political Science) 18 Hrs.**

**A. 2000 Level Courses (select two) 6 Hrs.**

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|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| HIST | 2111 | Survey of American History I |
| HIST | 2112 | Survey of American History II |
| HIST | 2115 | African American History |
| ECON | 2105 | Principles of Macroeconomics |
| ECON | 2106 | Principles of Microeconomics |
| ECON | 2201 | Survey of Economics |
| HIST | 2115 | African American History |
| PHIL | 2101 | Intro. to Philosophy |
| POLS | 2102 | Intro to Law |
| SOCI | 2011 | Principles of Sociology |
| SOCI | 2031 | Intro. to Anthropology |

**B. Foreign Language Sequence 6 Hrs.**

SSCI 2402 Microcomputers in the SSCI 3 Hrs. C. POLS 2101 Intro. to Political Science 3 Hrs.

**PROFESSIONAL COURSES 48 HOURS A. General: 9 Hrs.**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| POLS | 4371 | Research Methods I | (3 hrs.) |
| POLS | 4372 | Research Methods II | (3 hrs.) |
| POLS | 4401 | History of Political Thought | (3 hrs.) |

**B. International Relations and Comparative Government 9 Hrs.**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| POLS | 3511 | Comparative Government |
| POLS | 4514 | International Relations |
| Choose an additional 6 hours from any of the following: | | |
| POLS | 4513 | Issues in Global Politics |
| POLS | 4512 | Politics and Institutions in Developing Countries |
| POLS | 4515 | International Organizations |
| POLS | 4816 | Model United Nations |
| POLS | 4817 | Politics of Globalization |
| POLS | 4824 | Political Economy of Africa and the Caribbean |

**C. American National/State/Local Government 9 Hrs.**

(3 hours each)

POLS 3601 State and Local Government

Choose 6 hours from any American Government elective at the 3000-4000 level. These electives may include any of the following (3 hours each):

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| POLS | 3611 | Urban Politics |
| POLS | 3612 | African-American Politics |
| POLS | 3813 | Public Administration |
| POLS | 3614 | The Presidency |
| POLS | 3815 | Municipal Government |
| POLS | 3616 | Political Parties and Pressure Groups |
| POLS | 3617 | The Legislative Process |
| POLS | 3618 | Elections and Electoral Behavior |
| POLS | 4814 | Theory and Practice of Public Administration |
| POLS | 4818 | Public Administration Internship |

**D. Constitutional Law 9 Hrs.** POLS 3701 Judicial Process (3 hrs.) Choose 6 hours from any of the following:

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| --- | --- | --- |
| POLS | 3702 | American Constitutional History |
| POLS | 3703 | Constitutional Law I |
| POLS | 3704 | Constitutional Law II |

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**D. Constitutional Law 9 Hrs.** POLS 3701 Judicial Process (3 hrs.) Choose 6 hours from any of the following:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| POLS | 3702 | American Constitutional History |
| POLS | 3703 | Constitutional Law I |
| POLS | 3704 | Constitutional Law II |

**E. Professional Electives (3 hours each) 9 Hrs.**

POLS 3609 American Foreign Policy

POLS 3705 Trial Advocacy

POLS 3708 Civil Rights and Minorities

POLS 4515 International Organizations

POLS 4818 Public Administration Internship (3 hours) or POLS 4619 Legislative Internship (6 hours) C, or D that are not used to satisfy electives in those areas

**General Electives Up to 10 Hrs.**

**PROGRAM OF STUDY FOR THE BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE**

124 Semester Hours

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Freshman Year**  ENGL 1101 | **Fall**  Eng. Comp. I | 3 | **Spring**  ENGL 1102 | Eng. Comp. II | **Credit Hrs.**  3 |
| MATH 1111 | College Algebra | 3 | Area B Elective |  | 2 |
| ASU 1200 | Freshman Seminar | 3 | COMM 1100 | Fundamental of Public Speaking | 3 |
| PEDH Elective |  | 1 |  |  |  |
| HIST 1002 | Intro. African. Dias. | 2 | Science Elec. |  | 4 |
| Science Elective |  | 4 | POLS 1101 | U.S. and GA Government | 3 |
| **Total** |  | **15** |  |  | **16** |
| **Sophomore Year** |  |  |  |  |  |
| ENGL 2111 World Lit. I | | 3 | Social Science Elec. | | 3 |
| Fine Arts Elective | | 3 | Social Science Elec. | | 3 |
| POLS 2101 Intro. to Pol. Sci. | | 3 | Foreign Language Sequence | | 6 |
| MATH Elective (Area A) | | 3 | PEDH | | 1 |
| Social Science Elective | | 3 | POLS Amer. Government Elec. 3 | |  |
| **Total** | | **15** |  | | **16** |
| **Junior Year** | |  |  | |  |
| Social Science Elective (Area E) | | 3 | POLS 3511 or POLS 4512 | | 3 |
| POLS 3601 St./Local Government | | 3 | POLS 4401 Hist. Pol. Thought | | 3 |
| Social Science Elective (Area F) | | 3 | POLS Const. Law Elective | | 3 |
| POLS 4371 Research Methods I | | 3 | POLS Inter./Comp. Government. | | 3 |
| POLS 3701 Judicial Process | | 3 | POLS Elective (3000-4000) | | 3 |
| PEDH Elective | | 1 |  | |  |
| **Total** | | **15** |  | | **16** |
| **Senior Year** | |  |  | |  |
| POLS 4372 Research Methods II | | 3 | POLS Elec. (3000-4000) | | 6 |
| POLS Amer. Government Elective | | 3 | General Elective | | 10 |
| POLS Inter./Comp. Government Elec. | | 3 |  | |  |
| POLS Const. Law Elec. | | 3 |  | |  |
| POLS Elective (3000-4000) | | 3 |  | |  |
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**MINOR IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS**

The International Affairs concentration requires 18 semester hours (6 courses). The student must complete the following required courses:

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POLS 3511 Comparative Government

POLS 4514 International Relations

POLS 4819 International Political Economy

POLS 4820 Area Studies (Africa, Caribbean, Eastern Europe & Latin America) POLS 4821 International Internship/Seminar

POLS 4822 Politics & Culture of Developing World

Requirements: Students majoring in Political Science with a concentration in International Affairs must complete courses in American Gov- ernment, Introduction to Political Science, Comparative Government, Constitutional Law, Political Theory, and Research Methods I and II.

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**PRE-LAW PROGRAM**

The Department of History, Political Science, and Public Administration has an excellent Pre-Law Program that is grounded in the tradi- tion of a sound liberal arts education. Our Pre-Law advisors are experienced in guiding students in course selection and providing pertinent information about law schools of the Law Admission Council. There is a non-credit tutorial program that offers instruction in preparing for the Law School Admission Test (LSAT). The LSAT preparation course utilizes lectures, discussions and in-class exercises of past ques- tions. Participation is open to all students.

**Education**

The requirements for entrance to law school can be satisfied in one of several majors. Two, three or four years in a B.A. or B.S. degree can comprise the pre-law program.

Interested students should select a degree program and electives that will help them to attain the following objectives:

1. Fluency in written and spoken English;

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2. The ability to read difficult material with rapidity and comprehension;

3. A solid background in American history and government;

4. A broad basic education in social and cultural areas;

5. A fundamental understanding of business, including basic account procedures; and

6. The ability to reason logically.

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