



2023-2024

## **POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR, B.A.**

Social Science & History Department; College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences

Political science is a social science discipline concerned with the study of the state, nation, government, and politics and policies of government. Aristotle famously quipped that man is by nature a political animal, and throughout history humans have indeed lived and worked primarily in social communities, ranging from small tribes and towns to vast nations. The field of political science provides opportunities for students of every age to study systematically how human societies organize and govern themselves. Students in Asbury University's political science program join a centuries old conversation that begins with simple questions about governing arrangements, but that leads to profound questions about the nature of man, the nature of justice, and how humans should structure their political lives and institutions.

*To graduate must complete all major requirements, foundational requirements, and additional electives needed for 124 hour minimum degree requirement.*

### **MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (39)** **(18 Core + 21 Concentration)**

__ 3	PHL	343	Political/Social Philosophy
__ 3	PS	101	American Politics & Govt
__ 3	PS	202	Hist/Pol of U.S. Constitution
__ 3	PS	205	Markets & Politics
__ 3	PS	301	Comparative Politics
__ 3	PS	302	International Relations

### **PSI - INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS (21)**

Choose 18 hours from:

__ 3	ECN	273	Intro to Macroeconomics
	HIS	350	Non-Western Cultures
__ 3	HIS*	_____	_____
	PS	300	Washington Federal Seminar
__ 3	PS	307	American Foreign Policy
	PS	391/491	Independent Study
__ 3	PS	392/492	Directed Study
	PS	393	Seminar
__ 3	PS	435	Internship in Politics
	PS	474	Capstone in Politics
__ 3	SOC	353	International Social Issues

### REQUIRED CONCENTRATION (choose one):

\*May substitute up to 6 credit hours of HIS 300 or 400 level excluding HIS 375.

### **PSA - AMERICAN POLITICS (21)**

Choose 18 hours from:

	COM	342	Comm Campaigns
__ 3	PS	201	State & Local Politics
	PS	300	Washington Federal Seminar
__ 3	PS	303	Pres Leadership/Power
	PS	305	Politics & Public Policy
__ 3	PS	307	American Foreign Policy
	PS	391/491	Independent Study
__ 3	PS	392/492	Directed Study
	PS	393	Seminar
__ 3	PS	435	Internship in Politics
	PS	474	Capstone in Politics
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Choose 3 hours not used above or from other concentration

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### **PLUS FOUNDATIONS REQUIREMENTS (53)**

(3 hours Social Science satisfied by required major courses.)

### **Plus electives needed for the 124 hour degree requirement (32)**