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CHECKSHEET B.A. IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

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GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

Students are expected to be familiar with, and are responsible for, all degree requirements listed in the Wright State catalog, and should meet regularly with their faculty advisor.

Summary of Political Science Major Degree Requirements

Wright State Core	38 credit hours
College of Liberal Arts Language Requirement	12-16 credit hours
College of Liberal Arts Methods of Inquiry	6 credit hours
PLS Core Course Requirements	6 credit hours
PLS Area Requirements	18 credit hours
Advanced Political Science Electives – 3000/4000 level courses	18 credit hours
Electives outside of PLS	18-22 credit hours
TOTAL HOURS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE MAJOR	120 hours
42 hours minimum and 45 hours maximum total for PLS Courses	

Wright State Core Requirements

Elements	Required Distributions	Hours	
1. Communication	One freshman composition course	6	
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2. Mathematics	One course	3	
3. Global Traditions	One interdisciplinary Global Studies course	6	
	One history course	0	
4. Arts/Humanities	One course	3	
5. Social Science	Two courses from different disciplines / Required: PLS 2000	6	
6. Natural Science	Two lecture/lab science courses	8	
Additional Core	Two additional approved Wright State Core courses from any of the Elements	6	
Courses	Required LA 1020 First-Year Seminar in Liberal Arts		
Multicultural Competence	As part of the Core, in addition to the interdisciplinary Global Studies course (Element 3), students must take a second designated multicultural competence course in any element, or as an additional course within the Core.	N/A	
Writing Across the Curriculum	As part of the Core, students must take two Integrated Writing (IW) Core courses	N/A	
TOTAL	12 Courses	38	

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College of Liberal Arts Requirements

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT - Complete one language through the 2020 level.

12-16 credit hours

American Sign Language – ASL 1010, 1020, 2010, 2020 (4 credit hours each)

Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Japanese Latin, Spanish (or other approved language)

METHODS OF INQUIRY 6 credit hours

PLS 3100 Quantitative Methods in Political Science (or other approved research course) PHL 3000 Critical Thinking

PLS MAJOR CORE REQUIREMENTS

6 credit hours

PLS 2120 American National Government PLS 2220 International Politics *or* PLS 2510 Comp. Nonwestern Social Systems PLS AREA REQUIREMENTS

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18 credit hours

Indicate if course taken is Integrated Writing (IW). Courses taken for PLS requirements may NOT be double counted in CoLA Methods of Inquiry or another PLS major area.

Area 1 American Government and Politics (Choose 2)	Area 2 International and Comparative Politics (Choose 2)	Area 3 Law, Courts, and Political Theory (Choose 2)
PLS 3150 Rel & Politics in America	PLS 3020 Intro to Comp. Politics	PLS 3010 Mod Political Ideologies
PLS 3210 City Politics	PLS 3560 Politics & Society in France	PLS 3400 Law and Society
PLS 3220 State Government	PLS 3700 International Theory	PLS 3410 Fund. Criminal Investigation
PLS 3230 Government of Ohio	PLS 3990 Selected Subjects*	PLS 3420 Civil Liberties I: 1st Amend
PLS 3250 African American Politics	PLS 4060 Globalization	PLS 3430 Civil Liberties II: Due Process
PLS 3260 Black Women and Politics	PLS 4490 Gender Violence & Intl Pol	PLS 3440 Police Procedure and Ops
PLS 3310 Political Parties	PLS 4510 Contemp. African Politics	PLS 3700 International Theory
PLS 3350 The American Presidency	PLS 4520 Intl Human Rights	PLS 3990 Selected Subjects*
PLS 3370 The Legislative Process	PLS 4530 Soviet Successor States	PLS 4010 Dev & Con Am Civ Liberty
PLS 3400 Law & Society	PLS 4540 Politics of the Middle East	PLS 4040 Civil Rights Struggles
PLS 3450 Public Administration	PLS 4550 Politics of Iraq	PLS 4070 Seminar Political Theory
PLS 3460 Public Personnel Admin.	PLS 4560 Politics of Europe	PLS 4080 Radical Black Thought
PLS 3750 Human Rights in U.S.	PLS 4570 Pol Develop Nations	PLS 4090 Supreme Court Legal Judging
PLS 3990 Selected Subjects*	PLS 4580 Latin American Politics	PLS 4100 Political Psychology
PLS 4030 Campaign & Elections	PLS 4590 Contemporary Brazil	PLS 4150 Law, Lawyers & System
PLS 4040 Civil Rights Struggles	PLS 4600 Comp Politics Seminar	PLS 4160 Sex and The Law
PLS 4200 Politics and The Novel	PLS 4610 Comp Social Movements	PLS 4170 Appellate Pol & Moot Court
PLS 4270 Urban Policy Analysis	PLS 4620 US-India-Pak-Afghan Relat.	PLS 4180 Politics & Ethics
PLS 4280 National Security Politics	PLS 4630 International Conflict	PLS 4210 Am Constitutional Politics
PLS 4300 American Govt Seminar	PLS 4650 Politics of Nationalism	PLS 4260 Supreme Court
PLS 4330 Public Opinion	PLS 4660 Politics in South Asia	PLS 4310 Cyber Crime
PLS 4340 Political Leadership	PLS 4670 Chinese Domestic Politics	PLS 4360 Criminal Law
PLS 4350 Political Corruption	PLS 4700 Topics in Intl Relations	PLS 4370 Criminal Procedure
PLS 4460 Public Budgeting	PLS 4710 International Law	PLS 4380 Environmental Law & Policy
PLS 4480 Gender Violence Amer Pol	PLS 4720 International Terrorism	PLS 4390 Bioethics and Law
PLS 4730 American Foreign Policy	PLS 4730 American Foreign Policy	PLS 4400 Constitutional Law
PLS 4819 Political Science Internship	PLS 4740 Pol of Women Terrorists	PLS 4410 Natural Resources Law
PLS 4820 State Legislative Internship	PLS 4750 Weapons Mass Destruct	PLS 4420 Criminal Justice System
PLS 4822 Congress. District Internship	PLS 4770 International Org	PLS 4440 Topics in Criminal Justice
PLS 4823 Campaign Internship	PLS 4850 Chinese Foreign Policy	PLS 4450 Adv Criminal Investigation
PLS 4824 Local/City Internship	PLS 4860 Model UN Seminar	PLS 4710 International Law
PLS 4825 Washington, DC Internship	PLS 4870 Politics of Intell Gathering	PLS 4840 Pre-Law Internship
PLS 4900 Independent Reading*	PLS 4871 Fund Intelligence Tradecraft	PLS 4900 Independent Reading*
PLS 4910 Independent Research*	PLS 4880 Conflict Resolution	PLS 4910 Independent Research*
PLS 4920 Independ Field Research*	PLS 4881 Diplomacy & Negotiation	PLS 4920 Independ Field Research*
PLS 4930 Contemporary Problems*	PLS 4900 Independent Reading*	
PLS 4940 Special Topics*	PLS 4910 Independent Research*	
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^{*}Will count in Area 1, 2 or 3 based upon topic

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ADVANCED POLITICAL SCIENCE ELECTIVES

18 Credit Hours

18 hours chosen in consultation with a faculty advisor among 3000/4000-level courses with a minimum of 3 hours at the 4000-level. Students may specialize in Law & Government by selecting 6 hours in specific courses. A maximum of 45 hours in Political Science courses will count toward your degree.

OUTSIDE ELECTIVES 18-22 Credit Hours

No more than 4 credit hours of KNH courses can be counted.

Law & Government Option

You may choose to specialize in Law & Government. Choose two courses from these options, in addition to four additional PLS electives.

American Institutions & Politics (choose 1):	
PLS 3310 Political Parties	PLS 4460 Public Budgeting
PLS 3350 The American Presidency	PLS 4820 State Legislative Internship
PLS 3370 The Legislative Process	PLS 4822 Congressional District Internship
PLS 3450 Public Administration	PLS 4823 Campaign Internship
PLS 3470 American Public Policy Analysis	PLS 4824 Local/City Internship
PLS 4030 Campaigns and Elections	PLS 4825 Washington, DC Internship
PLS 4300 American Government Seminar	
Legal System & Perspective (choose 1):	
PLS 3400 Law and Society	PLS 4360 Criminal Law
PLS 3410 Fund of Criminal Investigation	PLS 4370 Criminal Procedure
PLS 3420 Civil Liberties I: First Amendment	PLS 4380 Environmental Law and Policy
PLS 3430 Civil Liberties II: Due Process	PLS 4390 Bioethics and Law
PLS 3440 Police Procedures and Ops	PLS 4400 Constitutional Law
PLS 3750 Human Rights in United States	PLS 4410 Natural Resources Law
PLS 4040 Struggles for Civil Rights in America	PLS 4420 Criminal Justice System
PLS 4150 Law, Lawyers and the System	PLS 4440 Topics in Criminal Justice
PLS 4160 Sex and the Law	PLS 4480 Gender Violence & American Politics
PLS 4170 Appellate Politics and Moot Court	PLS 4710 International Law
PLS 4210 American Constitutional Politics	PLS 4821 Pre-Law Internship
PLS 4260 Supreme Crt in American Politics	•