

## CHECKSHEET B.A. IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ UID \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### 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.

### Credit Hours/Grade Point Average Required for Graduation:

- ☐ Complete 120 hours with minimum 2.0 cumulative grade point average.
- ☐ Complete the University Core requirements including Integrated Writing (IW) course(s).
- ☐ Complete PLS 2000 as part of University Core requirements.
- ☐ Complete 42 hours in PLS major courses; **maximum allowed 45 hours**.
- ☐ Complete 12 hours in Political Science courses at Wright State.
- ☐ Minimum of 2 Integrated Writing (IW) courses in the major.
- ☐ Complete at least 42 credit hours in upper division courses (those numbered 3000 and above).
- ☐ At least 30 credit hours must be at Wright State.
- ☐ Complete residency requirements.
- ☐ Ten of the last 30 hours for the degree must be taken in residence at Wright State.
- ☐ No more than 4 hours of KNH courses (physical education) are counted toward total credit hours.
- ☐ Courses numbered under 1000 do not count toward total credit hours.
- ☐ Complete at least 67 credit hours within the College of Liberal Arts (includes Economics and Psychology).
- ☐ Complete graduation check with SPIA chair prior to applying to graduate.

### 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 Political Science .....	18-22 credit hours
 TOTAL HOURS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE MAJOR.....	 120 hours
<i>42 hours minimum and 45 hours maximum total for PLS Major</i>	

**Wright State Core Requirements**

<b>Elements</b>	<b>Required Distributions</b>	<b>Hours</b>
1. Communication	One freshman composition course One second-year writing course	6
2. Mathematics	One course	3
3. Global Traditions	One interdisciplinary Global Studies course One history course	6
4. Arts/Humanities	One course	3
5. Social Science	Two courses from different disciplines / <b>Required: PLS 2000</b>	6
6. Natural Science	Two lecture/lab science courses	8
Additional Core Courses	Two additional approved Wright State Core courses from any of the Elements	6
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
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12 Courses</b>	<b>38</b>

**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

Arabic – ARA 1010, 1020, 2010, 2020

Chinese – CHI 1010, 1020, 2010, 2020

French – FR 1010, 1020, 2010, 2020

German – GER 1010, 1020, 2010, 2020

Greek – GR 1010, 1020, 2010, 2020

Latin – LAT 1010, 1020, 2010, 2020

Spanish – SPN 1010, 1020, 2010, 2020

**METHODS OF INQUIRY**

6 credit hours

PLS 3100 Quantitative Methods in Political Science (required)

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**

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.

<u><b>Area 1</b></u> <b>American Government and Politics</b> (Choose 2)	<u><b>Area 2</b></u> <b>International and Comparative Politics</b> (Choose 2)	<u><b>Area 3</b></u> <b>Public Law and Political Theory</b> (Choose 2)
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3150 Rel & Politics in America	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3020 Intro to Comp. Politics	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3100 Quantitative Methods
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3210 City Politics	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3560 Politics & Society in France	(If taken for Methods of Inquiry requirement, cannot count twice)
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3220 State Government	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3700 International Theory	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3010 Mod Political Ideologies
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3230 Government of Ohio	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3990 Selected Subjects*	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3400 Law and Society
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3250 African American Politics	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4060 Globalization	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3410 Fund. Criminal Investigation
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3260 Black Women and Politics	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4490 Gender Violence & Intl Pol	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3420 Civil Liberties I: 1 <sup>st</sup> Amend
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3310 Political Parties	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4500 Political Anthropology	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3430 Civil Liberties II: Due Process
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3350 The American Presidency	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4510 Contemp. African Politics	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3440 Police Procedure and Ops
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3370 The Legislative Process	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4520 Intl Human Rights	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3700 International Theory
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3450 Public Administration	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4530 Soviet Successor States	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3990 Selected Subjects*
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3460 Public Personnel Admin.	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4540 Politics of the Middle East	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4010 Dev & Con Am Civ Liberty
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3470 Am. Public Policy Analysis	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4550 Politics of Iraq	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4040 Civil Rights Struggles
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 3990 Selected Subjects*	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4560 Politics of Europe	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4070 Seminar Political Theory
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4030 Campaign & Elections	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4570 Pol Develop Nations	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4080 Radical Black Thought
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4040 Civil Rights Struggles	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4580 Latin American Politics	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4090 Supreme Court Legal Judging
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4200 Politics and The Novel	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4590 Contemporary Brazil	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4100 Political Psychology
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4250 Metro Studies Seminar	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4600 Comp Politics Seminar	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4150 Law, Lawyers & System
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4270 Urban Policy Analysis	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4610 Comp Social Movements	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4160 Sex and The Law
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4280 National Security Politics	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4620 US-India-Pak-Afghan Relat.	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4170 Appellate Pol & Moot Court
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4300 American Govt Seminar	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4630 International Conflict	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4180 Politics & Ethics
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4330 Public Opinion	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4650 Politics of Nationalism	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4210 Am Constitutional Politics
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4340 Political Leadership	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4660 Politics in South Asia	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4260 Supreme Court
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4350 Political Corruption	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4670 Chinese Domestic Politics	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4310 Cyber Crime
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4460 Public Budgeting	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4700 Topics in Intl Relations	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4360 Criminal Law
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4480 Gender Violence Amer Pol	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4710 International Law	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4370 Criminal Procedure
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4819 Political Science Internship	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4720 International Terrorism	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4380 Environmental Law & Policy
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4820 State Legislative Internship	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4730 American Foreign Policy	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4390 Bioethics and Law
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4822 Congress. District Internship	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4740 Pol of Women Terrorists	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4400 Constitutional Law
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4823 Campaign Internship	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4750 Weapons Mass Destruct	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4410 Natural Resources Law
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4824 Local/City Internship	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4770 International Org	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4420 Criminal Justice System
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4825 Washington, DC Internship	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4850 Chinese Foreign Policy	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4440 Topics in Criminal Justice
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4900 Independent Reading*	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4860 Model UN Seminar	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4450 Adv Criminal Investigation
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4910 Independent Research*	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4870 Politics of Intell Gathering	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4710 International Law
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4920 Independ Field Research*	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4871 Fund Intelligence Tradecraft	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4821 Pre-Law Internship
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4930 Contemporary Problems*	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4880 Conflict Resolution	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4900 Independent Reading*
<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4940 Special Topics*	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4881 Diplomacy & Negotiation	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4910 Independent Research*
	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4900 Independent Reading*	<input type="checkbox"/> PLS 4920 Independ Field Research*
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\*Will count in Area 1, 2 or 3 based upon topic

**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 choose to specialize in Law & Government by selecting 9 hours in specific courses – see Dr. Sean Wilson. A maximum of 45 hours in Political Science courses will count toward your degree.

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**ELECTIVES OUTSIDE OF POLITICAL SCIENCE**

18-22 Credit Hours

Could be a **MINOR/SECOND MAJOR OR CONCENTRATION** \_\_\_\_\_

Not sure what courses to take outside of PLS? You could choose to earn a minor, perhaps in International Studies, Business, International Business or Management. Other transfer credit may also be applied toward completion of the requirement.

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**Political Science**  
**Law & Government Option**

You may choose to specialize in Law & Government. Choose 3 courses from these options, in addition to 3 courses in PLS electives.

***Required:***

\_\_\_ PLS 2120 American National Government

***American Institutions & Politics (choose 1):***

\_\_\_ PLS 3310 Political Parties

\_\_\_ PLS 3350 The American Presidency

\_\_\_ PLS 3370 The Legislative Process

\_\_\_ PLS 3450 Public Administration

\_\_\_ PLS 3470 American Public Policy Analysis

\_\_\_ PLS 4030 Campaigns and Elections

\_\_\_ PLS 4300 American Government Seminar

\_\_\_ PLS 4460 Public Budgeting

\_\_\_ PLS 4820 State Legislative Internship

\_\_\_ PLS 4822 Congressional District Internship

\_\_\_ PLS 4823 Campaign Internship

\_\_\_ PLS 4824 Local/City Internship

\_\_\_ PLS 4825 Washington, DC Internship

***Legal System & Perspective (choose 1):***

\_\_\_ PLS 3400 Law and Society

\_\_\_ PLS 3410 Fund of Criminal Investigation

\_\_\_ PLS 3420 Civil Liberties I: First Amendment

\_\_\_ PLS 3430 Civil Liberties II: Due Process

\_\_\_ PLS 3440 Police Procedures and Ops

\_\_\_ PLS 3750 Human Rights in United States

\_\_\_ PLS 4040 Struggles for Civil Rights in America

\_\_\_ PLS 4150 Law, Lawyers and the System

\_\_\_ PLS 4160 Sex and the Law

\_\_\_ PLS 4170 Appellate Politics and Moot Court

\_\_\_ PLS 4210 American Constitutional Politics

\_\_\_ PLS 4260 Supreme Crt in American Politics

\_\_\_ PLS 4360 Criminal Law

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\_\_\_ PLS 4380 Environmental Law and Policy

\_\_\_ PLS 4390 Bioethics and Law

\_\_\_ PLS 4400 Constitutional Law

\_\_\_ PLS 4410 Natural Resources Law

\_\_\_ PLS 4420 Criminal Justice System

\_\_\_ PLS 4440 Topics in Criminal Justice

\_\_\_ PLS 4480 Gender Violence & American Politics

\_\_\_ PLS 4710 International Law

\_\_\_ PLS 4821 Pre-Law Internship