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 30 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).
☐ Request 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 of PLS ............................................................................. 18-22 credit hours

TOTAL HOURS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE MAJOR .................................................. 120 hours

42 hours minimum and 45 hours maximum total for PLS Major
## Wright State Core Requirements

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<th>Required Distributions</th>
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<td>1. Communication</td>
<td>One freshman composition course</td>
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<td>One second-year writing course</td>
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<td>2. Mathematics</td>
<td>One course</td>
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<td>3. Global Traditions</td>
<td>One interdisciplinary Global Studies course</td>
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<td>One history course</td>
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<td>4. Arts/Humanities</td>
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<td>5. Social Science</td>
<td>Two courses from different disciplines / Required: PLS 2000</td>
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<td>6. Natural Science</td>
<td>Two lecture/lab science courses</td>
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<td>Additional Core Courses</td>
<td>Two additional approved Wright State Core courses from any of the Elements</td>
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<td>Multicultural Competence</td>
<td>As part of the Core, in addition to the interdisciplinary Global Studies course</td>
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<td>(Element 3), students must take a second designated multicultural competence course in</td>
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<td>any element, or as an additional course within the Core.</td>
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<td>Writing Across the Curriculum</td>
<td>As part of the Core, students must take two Integrated Writing (IW) Core courses</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td><strong>12 Courses</strong></td>
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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
- Arabic – ARA 1010, 1020, 2010, 2020
- German – GER 1010, 1020, 2010, 2020
- Greek – GR 1010, 1020, 2010, 2020
- Spanish – SPN 1010, 1020, 2010, 2020

### METHODS OF INQUIRY

- PLS 3100 Quantitative Methods in Political Science (required)
- PHL 3000 Critical Thinking

6 credit hours

### PLS MAJOR CORE REQUIREMENTS

- PLS 2120 American National Government
- PLS 2220 International Politics or PLS 2510 Comp. Nonwestern Social Systems

6 credit hours
**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.

### Area 1

**American Government and Politics**

(Choose 2)

- PLS 3150 Rel & Politics in America
- PLS 3210 City Politics
- PLS 3220 State Government
- PLS 3230 Government of Ohio
- PLS 3250 African American Politics
- PLS 3260 Black Women and Politics
- PLS 3310 Political Parties
- PLS 3350 The American Presidency
- PLS 3370 The Legislative Process
- PLS 3400 Law & Society
- PLS 3450 Public Administration
- PLS 3460 Public Personnel Admin.
- PLS 3470 Am. Public Policy Analysis
- PLS 3710 Constitutional Law
- PLS 3990 Selected Subjects
- PLS 4010 International Relations
- PLS 4020 Politics and The Novel
- PLS 4100 Political Psychology
- PLS 4150 Law, Lawyers & System
- PLS 4160 Sex and The Law
- PLS 4170 Appellate Pol & Moot Court
- PLS 4180 Politics & Ethics
- PLS 4260 Supreme Court Legal Judging
- PLS 4310 Cyber Crime
- PLS 4360 Criminal Law
- PLS 4370 Criminal Procedure
- PLS 4380 Environmental Law & 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 4450 Adv Criminal Investigation
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- PLS 4880 Conflict Resolution
- PLS 4881 Diplomacy & Negotiation
- PLS 4900 Independent Reading*
- PLS 4910 Independent Research*
- PLS 4920 Indep Field Research*
- PLS 4930 Contemporary Problems*
- PLS 4940 Special Topics*

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**Area 2**

**International and Comparative Politics**

(Choose 2)

- PLS 3020 Intro to Comp. Politics
- PLS 3560 Politics & Society in France
- PLS 3700 International Theory
- PLS 3990 Selected Subjects*
- PLS 4060 Globalization
- PLS 4490 Gender Violence & Intl Pol
- PLS 4510 Contemp. African Politics
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**Area 3**

**Law, Courts, and Political Theory**

(Choose 2)

- PLS 3010 Mod Political Ideologies
- PLS 3400 Law and Society
- PLS 3410 Fund. Criminal Investigation
- PLS 3420 Civil Liberties I: 1st Amend
- PLS 3430 Civil Liberties II: Due Process
- PLS 3440 Police Procedure and Ops
- PLS 3470 International Theory
- PLS 3990 Selected Subjects*
- PLS 4010 Dev & Con Am Civ Liberty
- PLS 4040 Civil Rights struggles
- PLS 4070 Seminar Political Theory
- PLS 4080 Radical Black Thought
- PLS 4090 Supreme Court Legal Judging
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*Will count in Area 1, 2 or 3 based upon topic*
ADVANCED POLITICAL SCIENCE ELECTIVES

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 6 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

18-22 Credit Hours

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