

Political Science, AA



Northwest College

FRESHMAN YEAR

Fall Semester				Hrs	Spring Semester				Hrs
		Wellness Requirement		0.5			Human/Visual & Performings Arts Req		3
ENGL	1010	English I: Introduction to Composition		3			Wellness Requirement		0.5
MATH	1000	Problem Solving		3	ENGL	1020	Introduction to Literature		3
		OR			POLS	2010	Comparative Government *		3
MATH	1400	College Algebra (4 hrs)			POLS	2460	Introduction to Political Theory *		3
POLS	1000	American and Wyoming Government *		3	STAT	2050	Fundamentals of Statistics		4
POLS	1200	Non-Western Political Cultures		3			OR		
SOSC	1101	Social Sciences Freshman Seminar *		3	STAT	2070	Introductory Statistics for Social Science (4 hrs)		
TOTAL				<u>15.5</u>	TOTAL				<u>16.5</u>

SOPHOMORE YEAR

Fall Semester				Hrs	Spring Semester				Hrs
		Human/Visual & Performings Arts Req		3			Human/Visual & Performings Arts Req		3
		Wellness Requirement		0.5			Lab Science Requirement		4
POLS	2000	Current Issues in American Government *		3			Wellness Requirement		0.5
POLS	2310	Introduction to International Relations *		3			Foreign Language		4
		Foreign Language		4			Elective		3
TOTAL				<u>13.5</u>	TOTAL				<u>14.5</u>

TOTAL NWC AA DEGREE HOURS 60

Successful completion of the 2+2 plan requires that a student remain continuously enrolled and graduate with the associate's degree from his or her respective community college. • This is a guide for course work in the major; actual course sequence may vary by student. Please refer to the online student degree evaluation. • Not all courses are offered every semester and some electives may have prerequisites. Students should review the course descriptions in the catalogs of their respective institutions and consult with their academic advisor to plan accordingly. • Academic plans and course schedules may need to be altered if ACT or Math Placement scores require a student to take pre-college courses (e.g., MATH 0900, 0921, or 0925) before taking required math or English courses.

Northwest College requirements:

To complete an AS degree, a minimum of 60 credit hours is required, although individual programs may have additional requirements. • Students must successfully complete core courses (denoted with an *) with a C- or better to meet program requirements.

University of Wyoming requirements:

Students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 to graduate. • Students must complete 42 hours of upper division (3000-level or above) coursework, 30 of which must be from the University of Wyoming. • Courses must be taken for a letter grade unless offered only for S/U.

UW College of Arts and Sciences requirements:

Students must take two "core" courses in addition to UW's University Studies Program requirements: Diversity in the United States (ASD) and Global Awareness (ASG). • No more than 60 hours in the major subject may be used toward the 120 credit hours required for graduation. • At least 30 hours in the major subject must be completed with a grade of C or better (the major may require more).

Political Science, BA/BS



University of Wyoming

JUNIOR YEAR

Fall Semester		Hrs		Spring Semester		Hrs
A&S Diversity in the US †	ASD	3	POLS	3680	Introduction to Empirical Analysis	3
Upper Division Political Science Elective		3			Upper Division Political Science Elective	3
Electives		6			Upper Division Electives	6
Elective		4			Elective	3
TOTAL		<u>16</u>		TOTAL		<u>15</u>

SENIOR YEAR

Fall Semester		Hrs		Spring Semester		Hrs	
Political Science Seminar Course * †	C3	3	POLS		Upper Division Political Science Elective	3	
Upper Division Political Science Elective		3			Upper Division Electives	9	
Upper Division Electives		9			Elective	3	
TOTAL		<u>15</u>		TOTAL		<u>15</u>	
						TOTAL UW HOURS	<u>61</u>
						TOTAL UW BA/BS DEGREE HOURS	<u>121</u>

UW Political Science Program Notes:

- Students transferring to UW with an AA or AS degree must complete the University Studies Program Communication 3 (C3) requirement, as well as courses fulfilling the College of Arts and Sciences core requirements of Diversity in the US and Global Awareness.
- In addition to university and college requirements, a major in political science requires 33 hours of coursework in the subject. Students are required to complete the following:

- Four (4) introductory courses (12 hrs) :
 - POLS 1000 (American and Wyoming Government)
 - POLS 1200 (Non-Western Political Cultures) or POLS 1250 (Introduction to Comparative Government)
 - POLS 2310 (Introduction to International Relations)
 - POLS 2460 (Introduction to Political Philosophy) or POLS 3600 (American Political Thought)
- One (1) seminar in political science (and its prerequisites)
- Eight (8) hours of a single foreign language or equivalent credit by exam
- STAT 2070 (Introductory Statistics for the Social Sciences)
- Nine (9) hours of upper division credit (3000- or 4000-level) in political science

A maximum of six (6) hours of internship credit may count toward the electives requirement. Only those political science courses in which a grade of C or better has been earned may be used to satisfy department requirements. A study abroad experience or an internship is encouraged during the junior or senior year. Consult with an academic advisor about opportunities and programs and/or courses necessary to prepare. Students majoring in political science should discuss the designation of a Bachelor of Arts (BA) or Bachelor of Science (BS) degree with their academic advisor.

† Course need not be taken in the designated semester.

* Not all political science seminar courses fulfill the USP C3 requirement. A seminar is required for the major and a C3 is required for the degree. Students should attempt to take a political science seminar course that fulfills but the C3 requirement, but C3 courses can be selected from outside the department. If students take a C3 outside of the department, they will still need to fulfill the political science seminar requirement. Students should consult with their academic advisor.