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The Department of Political Science seeks to create active, informed citizens and leaders who use their analytical, research, and communication skills to improve their community.

The departmental curriculum is designed to 77sT.97 Tm (mTvanM.06 sa77sTc)9/L

how political attitudes, behavior, and processes affect domestic and foreign policy making. Moreover, the department's interdisciplinary approach helps students connect philosophical, economic, cultural, ethical, legal, and Christian perspectives to politics. Finally, the department encourages practical and theoretical learning through simulations, internships, study abroad, and political opportunities that broaden perspectives and develop student leadership abilities.

Departmental courses also develop the skills and virtues necessary for career success. In each class, students will learn to (1) speak and write clearly, effectively, and winsomely, (2) understand, analyze, evaluate, and appropriately apply information to solve problems effectively and creatively, and (3) develop virtues such as humility, integrity, diligence, courage, perseverance, and wisdom that contribute to good character and professional success. These efforts prepare students for graduate school and professional success in law, business, public service, education, non-profit management and advocacy, ministry, and more.

- A. Required: PSC 111, 211, 214, 232, 245, 322, 323, 498.
- B. Upper-level American Politics—3 hours
- C. Select one concentration and a total of no less than 15 hours
 - 1. American: Select 9-15 hours from Upper-level American Political Politics courses
 - 2. International Relations: Select 9-15 hours from Upper-level IR and Comparative Politics courses.
 - 3. Political Theory: Select 9-15 hours from Upper-level Political Theory courses.
 - 4. Select 15 hours from at least 2 of concentrations (1., 2., or 3. above).

- A. Complete the Major in Political Science as described in I. above.
- B. Include in the major requirements, the completion of at least three PSC courses by honors contract.
- C. PSC 245 should be completed prior to the second honors contract.

- A. Major requirements for PSC with American concentration as shown above to include 313, 415, and 416.
- B. Additional requirements for licensure: GEO 112; 215 or 216; HIS 211 and 212, 101, 102; CSC 105.
- C. Professional Education:
 - 1. Prior to Internship—EDU 150, EDU 305, EDU 358, PSY 213, PSY/SE 230.
 - 2. FR

- quired courses: PSC 211, 214; CHR 243 9 hours
- B. Select 12 hours from: PSC 305, 330, 342, 344, 347, 353, 354, 400, 425, 431; CHR 424

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- B. Select 12 hours from: PSC 324, 325, 333, 344, 355, 360, 365, 400, 414, 415, 431

Dr. Sean Evans serves as Union University's pre-law advisor. Students planning to attend law school should consult with him for information and assistance.

The department requires a one semester residency requirement for the first time college student before applying to the program.

For each honors contract course, the student must:

- Come to agreement with the instructor of the course regarding the nature of the contract prior to the beginning of the course. Students are advised to contact the instructor prior to the end of the previous fall or spring Semester.
- Obtain the Department Chair's approval of the honors contract.
- Complete the required paperwork with the Office of the Director of the Honors Community prior to the first day of classes for the semester.

The professor supervising each honors contract will evaluate the work and personally consult with the student about continuance in the program. This evaluation will also be presented to the department faculty at its next regularly scheduled department meeting. If a student makes a grade of B or higher in an honors project, they will be able to continue in the program. If a student makes two B's, the department will meet to evaluate the student's work and the professor's evaluation to determine whether the student should continue. A grade below B is unacceptable in an honors contract class and will result in dismissal from the program. The student may appeal the decision to the department as a whole.

Students must attend one Honors Colloquium per year while enrolled in DSH. Greater detail for admission, honors contract requirements and other program specifics is provided at www.uu.edu/dept/politicalscience/programs-honors.cfm.

Political science majors culminate their studies by taking Senior Seminar (PSC 498) in which they will demonstrate the ability to write a quality, in-depth political science research paper using the methods of the discipline. The student will present his/her paper to fellow seminar members and political science faculty. All senior political science majors must take the Major Field Achievement Test in Political Science, a national civics test, and write an essay on leadership and an essay demonstrating their understanding of the role of religion in the public square.

is the National Honor Society in Political Science. Eligible students are juniors who have completed ten semester hours of work in political science including at least one upper-division course, with an average grade of B or higher in those courses. They must also have achieved an overall GPA placing them in the top one-third of their whole class (i.e., junior or senior class). They need NOT be political science

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Great political thinkers in the Western tradition from the Greeks to the 17th Century.

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Current affairs focusing on events and attitudes within the world community with an assessment of their impact on domestic and foreign policy decisions in the U.S. and abroad.

A study of Asia in modern times with emphasis on China, Japan, and one additional state selected on the basis of political conditions in Asia at the time of the course.

A study of the “fourth branch” of government of the United States with av

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Lower-level group studies which do not appear in the regular departmental offerings.

Upper-level group studies which do not appear in the regular departmental offerings.

Individual research under the guidance of a faculty member(s).

To be used at the discretion of the department.

An intensive analysis of more major issues in political theory. This course may be repeated for credit.