

University of
Lethbridge



Program Planning Guide

Name: _____

ID: _____

Calendar Year: 2023/2024

Major in Political Science:

www.ulethbridge.ca/artsci/political-science

Academic Calendar:

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High School Admission Requirements:

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Political Science/Social Studies Education

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Education

This is a planning guide and not a graduation check or guarantee of course offerings. You should have a program check done in your final year of studies. Students are responsible for the accuracy of their own programs. The guide should be used in conjunction with the University of Lethbridge Calendar, which is the final authority on all questions regarding program requirements and academic regulations.

Contact an Academic Advisor (www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/academic-advising) for advising information.

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Program Requirements

Completion of at least 30 courses (90.0 credit hours) from disciplines offered by the Faculty of Arts and Science, Faculty of Fine Arts, or School of Liberal Education with a grade point average of at least 2.00.

Completion of the equivalent of 20 courses (60.0 credit hours) in Education with a program grade point average of at least 2.50 in Education courses and the appropriate major.

Major Requirements (16 Courses)

- _____ Geography 2600 - Canada
- _____ History 2710 - Canada to 1867
- _____ History 2720 - Canada Since 1867
- _____ Indigenous Studies 1000 - Introduction to Indigenous Studies I: Canadian Contexts
- _____ Political Science 1000 - Introduction to Political Science
- _____ Political Science 2110 - International Relations
- _____ Political Science 2210 - Canadian Politics and Government
- _____ Political Science 2310 - Comparative Politics and Government
- _____ Political Science 2511 - Introduction to Political Theory

One of:

- _____ Economics 1010 - Introduction to Microeconomics
- _____ Economics 1012 - Introduction to Macroeconomics

One of:

- _____ History 1000 - The Western World
- _____ History 1200 - World History
- _____ Four courses (12.0 credit hours) in Political Science at the 3000/4000 level
 - 1. _____
 - 2. _____
 - 3. _____
 - 4. _____
- _____ One course (3.0 credit hours) in Political Science at the 4000 level
 - 1. _____

Recommended courses:

- Political Science 3130 - International Political Economy
- Political Science 3221 - The Politics of Canadian Federalism
- Political Science 3280 - Canadian Political Behaviour
- Political Science 3511 - Political Thought Since 1500 (Series)
- History 3703 - History of Western Canada

Notes

Political Science 4980 (Applied Studies) and Political Science 4990 (Independent Study) may not be included as part of the 16-course minimum for the major; they are strongly encouraged for students taking courses beyond this minimum, however.

Other Courses (minimum 14 courses)

Courses offered by the Faculty of Arts and Science, Faculty of Fine Arts, or School of Liberal Education only (no courses labelled ABHL, ACCT, ADCS, AGEM, CDEV, CRED, EDUC, FINC, HLSC, HRLR, IGBM, IMGT, MGT, MKTG, NURS, PUBH, or TREC unless cross-listed with a course from one of the above faculties)

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Education Requirements (20-course equivalent)

- _____ Education 2500 - Orientation to Teaching (3.0 credit hours)
- _____ Professional Semester I (15.0 credit hours)
- _____ Professional Semester II (15.0 credit hours)
- _____ Professional Semester III (15.0 credit hours)
- _____ Education Foundation (3.0 credit hours) at the 43xx level:
 - _____
- _____ Three Education Electives (9.0 credit hours) at the 3000 or 4000 level:
 1. _____
 2. _____
 3. _____

Completion of the Liberal Education List Requirement (Lib Ed Requirement)

Only four courses (12.0 credit hours) in total may be counted from any one discipline toward the Lib Ed Requirement. Disciplines are identified by separate course subject codes.

Only four courses (12.0 credit hours) in total from the Faculty of Education (EDUC), Faculty of Health Sciences (ABHL, ADCS, HLSC, NURS, PUBH, and TREC), and the Dhillon School of Business (ACCT, AGEM, FINC, HRLR, IGBM, IMGT, MGT, and MKTG) may be counted towards the Lib Ed Requirement, but could be deemed extra to program.

See the 2023/2024 Calendar, p. 83, for more information.

_____ Four Fine Arts and Humanities courses:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

_____ Four Social Science courses:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

_____ Four Science courses:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Not more than 10 courses (30.0 credit hours) completed at the 1000 level (or lower) [0500 - 1999] for credit towards the degree, excluding Activity courses (labelled PHAC and MUSE) and courses numbered in the range of 0520 to 0530.

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_____ **Education Minor (Optional):** _____

See the 2023/2024 Calendar, p. 159, for more information.

1. _____
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6. _____

(Education methods requirement)

Completion of at least 10 courses (30.0 credit hours) from disciplines offered by the Faculty of Arts and Science, Faculty of Fine Arts, or School of Liberal Education at the 3000 or 4000 level, excluding Activity courses (labelled PHAC and MUSE). Out-of-faculty courses (i.e. labelled ABHL, ACCT, ADCS, AGEM, CDEV, CRED, EDUC, FINC, HLSC, HRLR, IGBM, IMGT, MGT, MKTG, NURS, PUBH, and TREC) will not meet this requirement.

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_____ Not more than three Independent Study courses (9.0 credit hours) may be completed for credit towards the degree.

_____ Not more than three Disciplinary Credit Applied Studies courses (9.0 credit hours) may be completed for credit towards the degree. Students may, in addition, complete Applied Studies 2000, 2001, 2010, and 2011.

_____ *Not more than 17 courses (51.0 credit hours) may be completed from any one discipline for credit towards the degree.

_____ Not more than six credit hours in Activity courses (i.e. courses labelled PHAC and MUSE) may be completed for credit towards the degree, except for Kinesiology majors (not more than 15.0 credit hours) and Music majors (not more than 12.0 credit hours).

_____ Residence requirement:

Degree: Arts and Science

at least 15 courses (45.0 credit hours) offered by the Faculty of Arts and Science, Faculty of Fine Arts, or School of Liberal Education must be completed at the University of Lethbridge.

Education

at least 15 courses (45.0 credit hours) offered by the Faculty of Education must be completed at the University of Lethbridge.

Major: at least half of the courses required in the major must be completed at the University of Lethbridge.

**Disciplines are identified by a specific course label (e.g. KNES, ASTR, and HIST are separate disciplines).*

_____ **Education Specialization (Optional):** _____

See the 2023/2024 Calendar, p. 165, for more information.

1. _____
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4. _____
5. _____

(Specialization Internship)

Sample Sequencing Plan

Shown below is a sample sequence of courses for your degree. Consult timetables for course offerings, prerequisites, and corequisites before registering each term. This is just one example of how you could complete your major and degree requirements; you may find that a different sequence works as well as this one.

Year 1, Fall

History 1000 or History 1200
Indigenous Studies 1000
Political Science 1000
Lib Ed Requirement course
Lib Ed Requirement course

Year 2, Fall

Economics 1010 or Economics 1012
Education 2500²
History 2710 or History 2720
Political Science 2000 level
Elective

Year 3, Fall

Professional Semester I

Year 4, Fall

Political Science 4000 level
Political Science 3000/4000 level
Elective 3000/4000 level
Elective 3000/4000 level
Elective 3000/4000 level

Year 5, Fall

Professional Semester III

Year 1, Spring

Geography 2600¹
Political Science 2000 level
Lib Ed Requirement course
Lib Ed Requirement course
Elective

Year 2, Spring

History 2720 or History 2710
Political Science 2000 level
Political Science 2000 level
Elective
Elective

Year 3, Spring

Political Science 3000/4000 level
Political Science 3000/4000 level
Elective 3000/4000 level
Elective 3000/4000 level
Elective

Year 4, Spring

Professional Semester II

Year 5, Spring

Education Foundation course (43xx)
Education elective 3000/4000 level
Education elective 3000/4000 level
Education elective 3000/4000 level
Political Science 3000/4000 level

Elementary Education and Inclusive Education students will reverse the fall and spring terms in Year 5 and complete PS III in the spring.

¹ Term of offering may vary.

² Education 2500 must be completed (with a Pass Recommend) before admission. It may be taken in the spring or summer term immediately prior to the fall intake.

Note: Courses in **bold** in Years 1 and 2 of the sample sequence are prerequisite(s) for required courses and should be completed early in your program. Students are advised to review the prerequisites for elective courses within the major and plan accordingly.

Faculty of Education Admission

To be considered for admission to the Faculty of Education, successful completion of the following is required:

- _____ 14 graded term courses (42.0 credit hours).
- _____ **Education Admission GPA:** Minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.50 on all U of L and transferable courses taken within the terms containing the last 14 courses (42.0 credit hours). All courses must be graded.
- _____ Minimum of five courses (15.0 credit hours) in the major.
- _____ **Major GPA:** Minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.50 on all graded courses comprising the major, including all transferable courses.
- _____ Credit in Education 2500 - Orientation to Teaching (or equivalent) prior to the fall program intake, including a favourable recommendation from the instructor.

Students are advised to contact Student Program Services in the Faculty of Education (edu.sps@uleth.ca; TH421; tel. 403-329-2254) for guidelines regarding the requirements stated above. For specific information on admission requirements, please refer to the Combined Degrees section of the Academic Calendar:

www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/academic-calendar

Students of Indigenous descent, and students with a significant shift in academic performance, are advised to refer to the current Calendar for the Faculty of Education's Special Case Admission policies.

Combined Degrees Program:

Students begin this program in the Faculty of Arts and Science where they progress toward completion of Arts and Science degree requirements, and prepare to meet the admission requirements for the Faculty of Education. Please note that completion of admission requirements does not guarantee admission to the Faculty of Education.

Application and Document deadlines:

www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/admissions/undergrad/deadlines