

University of
Lethbridge



Program Planning Guide

Department: Political Science

Calendar Year: 2020/2021

Name: _____

ID: _____

Bachelor of Arts
Political Science

Major in Political Science:

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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 in the Faculty of Arts and Science for advising information.

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B.A. Political Science

Completion of at least 40 courses (120.0 credit hours) with a grade point average of at least 2.00.

Major Requirements (13 courses)

Other Courses (minimum 27 courses)

- _____ 1. Political Science 1000 - Introduction to Political Science
- _____ 2. Political Science 2110 - International Relations
- _____ 3. Political Science 2210 - Canadian Politics and Government
- _____ 4. Political Science 2310 - Comparative Politics and Government
- _____ 5. Political Science 2511 - Introduction to Political Theory
- _____ 6. Political Science 2610 - Introductory Research Methods

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
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- 4. _____
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- 22. _____
- 23. _____
- 24. _____
- 25. _____
- 26. _____
- 27. _____

Five courses (15.0 credit hours) in Political Science at the 3000/4000 level

- 7. _____
- 8. _____
- 9. _____
- 10. _____
- 11. _____

Two courses (6.0 credit hours) in Political Science at the 4000 level, excluding Political Science 4980 (Applied Study) and Political Science 4990 (Independent Study)¹

- 12. _____
- 13. _____

Notes

¹Students completing Political Science 4995 (6.0 credit hours) as part of this requirement will still need at least one classroom-based 4000-level Political Science course (3.0 credit hours).

See also:

- Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Education - Political Science/Social Studies Education
- Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Management - Political Science

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 (MGT) may be counted towards the Lib Ed Requirement.

See the 2020/2021 Calendar, p. 71, for more information.

LIST I: Fine Arts and Humanities Courses

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

LIST II: Social Science Courses

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

LIST III: Science Courses

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

Not more than 12 courses (36.0 credit hours) may be 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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| 2. _____ | 8. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 9. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 10. _____ |
| 5. _____ | 11. _____ |
| 6. _____ | 12. _____ (max.) |

Completion of at least 15 courses (45.0 credit hours) from disciplines offered by the Faculty of Arts and Science, Faculty of Fine Arts, or the School of Liberal Education at the 3000/4000 level, excluding Activity courses (labelled PHAC and MUSE). Out-of-faculty courses (i.e. labelled ABHL, ADCS, CDEV, CRED, EDUC, HLSC, MGT, NURS, PUBH, and TREC) will not meet this requirement.

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| 2. _____ | 10. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 11. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 12. _____ |
| 5. _____ | 13. _____ |
| 6. _____ | 14. _____ |
| 7. _____ | 15. _____ (min.) |
| 8. _____ | |

____ Not more than five Independent Study courses (15.0 credit hours) may be completed for credit towards the degree.

____ Not more than five Disciplinary Credit Applied Studies courses (15.0 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 24 courses (72.0 credit hours) may be completed from any one discipline for credit towards the degree.

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

____ 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).

____ Not more than six courses (18.0 credit hours) from disciplines outside the Faculty of Arts and Science, Faculty of Fine Arts, or School of Liberal Education may be completed for credit towards the degree (i.e. labelled ABHL, ADCS, CDEV, CRED, EDUC, HLSC, MGT, NURS, PUBH, and TREC). Courses cross-listed between the Faculty of Arts and Science and another Faculty do not count towards this limit.

____ **Residence requirement:**

Degree: a minimum of 20 courses (60.0 credit hours) must be completed at the University of Lethbridge, including 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 3000/4000 level.

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

____ **Minor (Optional):** _____
 See the 2020/2021 Calendar, p. 267, for more information.

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| 1. _____ | 4. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 5. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 6. _____ |

Sample Sequencing Plan

Shown below is a sample sequence of courses for your degree. If you follow this plan, you should be able to graduate in four years, provided you complete five courses per 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

Political Science 1000

Lib Ed Requirement course
 Lib Ed Requirement course
 Lib Ed Requirement course
 Lib Ed Requirement course

Year 2, Fall

Political Science 2000 level
 Political Science 2000 level
 Elective
 Elective
 Elective

Year 3, Fall

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

Year 4, Fall

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

Year 1, Spring

Political Science 2000 level
 Lib Ed Requirement course
 Lib Ed Requirement course
 Lib Ed Requirement course
 Lib Ed Requirement course

Year 2, Spring

Political Science 2000 level
 Political Science 2000 level
 Elective
 Elective
 Elective

Year 3, Spring

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

Year 4, Spring

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

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 electives courses within the major and plan accordingly.

Terms Used

Lib Ed Requirement course: A course that could count toward the Liberal Education List Requirement. You may use courses in your major towards this 12-course requirement. See the 2020/2021 University of Lethbridge Calendar, School of Liberal Education for complete information.

The School of Liberal Education offers Liberal Education 1000 and 2000, specifically designed to introduce first-year students to the wide scope of human knowledge and teach essential university success skills, critical thinking, and integrative thinking (see the 2020/2021 University of Lethbridge Calendar, Course Catalogue). LBED 1000 and 2000 may be used toward satisfying the Lib Ed Requirement.

Elective: A course that you may choose freely from all those available and applicable to your program. Use courses inside or outside your major, bearing in mind any restrictions that may apply (e.g., a maximum of 24 courses from any one discipline).

