

Doctor of Philosophy - Political Science

Plan Description

The Department of Political Science offers a general Ph.D. degree with concentrations in American politics (including public law and public policy), comparative politics, international relations, and political theory.

The Ph.D. program is intended to prepare its graduates for careers in academic institutions, government (at all levels), and business and industry.

For more information about your program, including your graduate program handbook and learning outcomes, please visit the Degree Directory.

Plan Admission Requirements

Application deadlines Applications available on the UNLV Graduate College website. The following department application materials must be uploaded into the online application: **Graduate Record Examination (GRE) General Test scores** **Three-Three** letters of recommendation by recommendation providers (academic references **preferred**) **A preferred**- A personal statement explaining why you want to enter the doctoral **program** **A program**- A writing sample Applicants must submit satisfactory Graduate Record Examination (GRE) General Test scores. The recommended score is a total of 160 on the verbal and 148 on the quantitative sections. We also pay attention to the analytical score. The applicant's undergraduate record is examined in conjunction with the GRE scores. The former is weighed more heavily than the latter: an outstanding undergraduate record may well allow the admission of an applicant with GRE scores somewhat below the recommended level. Applicants must possess a B. A. or equivalent from a regionally accredited institution with a minimum GPA of 3.30, or M. A. or equivalent **from from** an accredited institution with a minimum GPA of 3.50. Under special circumstances the department may consider applicants with lower GPAs. Applicants must have completed 12 credits of Political Science course work at the upper-division or graduate level combined. At the discretion of the department, students who lack such course work may be admitted on the condition that they remedy that deficiency. All domestic and international applicants must review and follow the Graduate College Admission and Registration Requirements. Students are accepted into a degree program as described in the Graduate Catalog. The faculty and corresponding sub-disciplines and sub-plans within the described programs are subject to change at any time.

Plan Requirements

See Subplan Requirements below.

- Subplan 1: Post-Bachelor's - American Politics Track
- Subplan 2: Post-Bachelor's - Comparative Politics Track
- Subplan 3: Post-Bachelor's - International Relations Track
- Subplan 4: Post-Bachelor's - Political Theory Track
- Subplan 5: Post-Master's - American Politics Track
- Subplan 6: Post-Master's - Comparative Politics Track
- Subplan 7: Post-Master's - International Relations Track

Subplan 8: Post-Master's - Political Theory Track

Subplan 1 Requirements: Post - Bachelor's American Politics Track

Total Credits Required: 60

Course Requirements

Methods in Political Science Courses – Credits: 6

PSC 701 Research Design and Methodology	3
PSC 702 Advanced Quantitative Methods I	3

Proseminar Courses – Credits: 12

PSC 710R Proseminar in American Politics	3
PSC 740 Proseminar in International Relations	3
PSC 760R Proseminar in Comparative Politics	3
PSC 780R Proseminar in Political Theory	3

American Politics Field Courses- 9

PSC 713 American National Government: Principles	3
PSC 714 American National Government: Structure and Processes	3
PSC 719 Advanced Studies in American Politics	3
PSC 721 Public Policy Process	3
PSC 723 Policy Analysis	3
PSC 729 Advanced Studies in Public Policy	3
PSC 732 Constitutional Law	3
PSC 739 Advanced Studies in Public Law	3

Second Field – Credits: 9

Select one of the following second fields and complete three courses:

[Before] Second Field Comparative Politics

PSC 761 Middle Eastern and North African Politics	3
PSC 762 African Politics	3
PSC 763 European Politics	3

PSC 764 Latin American Politics	3
PSC 767 Comparative Democratization	3
PSC 775 Comparative Political Behavior	3
PSC 779R Advanced Studies in Comparative Politics	3
[Before] Second Field International Relations	
PSC 741 U.S. Foreign Policy	3
PSC 746 Middle East in World Affairs	3
PSC 747 Pacific Rim in World Affairs	3
PSC 751 International Political Economy	3
PSC 754 Global Governance	3
PSC 755 International Security	3
PSC 759 Advanced Studies in International Relations	3
[Before] Second Field Political Theory	
PSC 781 Political Theory before 1500	3
PSC 782R Political Theory from 1500 to 1900	3
PSC 783 Political Theory since 1900	3
PSC 789R Special Topic: Advanced Studies in Political Theory	3

Elective Courses – Credits: 12

Complete 12 credits of 700-level Political Science courses, or other advisor-approved courses.

Dissertation – Credits: 12

PSC 799 Dissertation

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Degree Requirements

A minimum of 60 credits beyond the B. A. must be completed. A minimum grade point average of 3.00 is required for all course work. Research Tool: The research tool can be fulfilled with one of three options: 1. Foreign Language: Students must demonstrate knowledge of the equivalent of two years of a single foreign language, through either an examination or 12 credits of college-level course work. Those credits would not count toward the required total. This requirement must be met prior to **admission advancement** to candidacy. No grade below **"B-" "B"** will be accepted. The foreign language selected must be approved by the department as relevant for the student's research. 2. Quantitative Methods: With approval from the department, a student may demonstrate advanced quantitative methods necessary for **his or her their** doctoral research. 3. Qualitative Methods: With approval from the department, a student may demonstrate advanced qualitative methods necessary for **his or her their** doctoral research. This requirement must be **met met** prior to **admission t o advancement** to candidacy. No grade below **"B-" "B"** will be accepted. In consultation with **his/her their** advisor, a student will organize a dissertation **(note: this adapts to each program, e. g. thesis..)** committee **composed** of **one committee**

Chair, and under advisement by the Chair, select at least ~~three~~ **2 more** departmental members. ~~In addition, and a fourth member outside the department will be assigned by the required~~ Graduate College **Representative (GCR), to fulfill a total of at least 4 committee members.** Another outside member may be added at the department's discretion. Comprehensive written and oral examinations will be taken during or following the semester in which the student completes required course work. They will be divided into two parts, corresponding to the student's major fields. Within those fields the content of the examinations will be determined by the student's graduate coordinator. The student will write the dissertation of original research and interpretation on a topic in the field of American politics.

Graduation Requirements

The student must submit all required forms to the Graduate College ~~and then as well as~~ apply for graduation up to two semesters prior to completing ~~his/her~~ **their** degree requirements. The student must submit and successfully defend ~~his/her~~ **their** dissertation by the posted deadline. The defense must be advertised and is open to the public. The student must submit ~~his/her~~ **their** approved, properly formatted dissertation to the Graduate College, and submit the approved electronic version to ProQuest by the posted deadline.

Subplan 2 Requirements: Post-Bachelor's - Comparative Politics Track

Total Credits Required: 60

Course Requirements

Methods in Political Science Courses – Credits: 6

PSC 701 Research Design and Methodology	3
PSC 702 Advanced Quantitative Methods I	3

Proseminar Courses – Credits: 12

PSC 710R Proseminar in American Politics	3
PSC 740 Proseminar in International Relations	3
PSC 760R Proseminar in Comparative Politics	3
PSC 780R Proseminar in Political Theory	3

Comparative Courses – Credits: 9

PSC 767 Comparative Democratization	3
PSC 775 Comparative Political Behavior	3

PSC 779R Advanced Studies in Comparative Politics	3
PSC 761 Middle Eastern and North African Politics	3
PSC 762 African Politics	3
PSC 763 European Politics	3
PSC 764 Latin American Politics	3

Second Field – Credits: 9

Select one of the following second fields and complete three courses:

[Before] Second Field American Politics

PSC 713 American National Government: Principles	3
PSC 714 American National Government: Structure and Processes	3
PSC 719 Advanced Studies in American Politics	3
PSC 721 Public Policy Process	3
PSC 723 Policy Analysis	3
PSC 729 Advanced Studies in Public Policy	3
PSC 732 Constitutional Law	3
PSC 739 Advanced Studies in Public Law	3

[Before] Second Field International Relations

PSC 741 U.S. Foreign Policy	3
PSC 746 Middle East in World Affairs	3
PSC 747 Pacific Rim in World Affairs	3
PSC 751 International Political Economy	3
PSC 754 Global Governance	3
PSC 755 International Security	3
PSC 759 Advanced Studies in International Relations	3

[Before] Second Field Political Theory

PSC 781 Political Theory before 1500	3
PSC 782R Political Theory from 1500 to 1900	3
PSC 783 Political Theory since 1900	3
PSC 789R Special Topic: Advanced Studies in Political Theory	3

Elective Courses – Credits: 12

Complete 12 credits of 700-level Political Science courses, or other advisor-approved courses.

Dissertation – Credits: 12

Degree Requirements

A minimum of 60 credits beyond the B. A. must be completed. A minimum grade point average of 3.00 is required for all course work. Research Tool: The research tool can be fulfilled with one of three options: 1. Foreign Language: Students must demonstrate knowledge of the equivalent of two years of a single foreign language, through either an examination or 12 credits of college-level course work. Those credits would not count toward the required total. This requirement must be met prior to **admission advancement** to candidacy. No grade below "B" will be accepted. The foreign language selected must be approved by the department as relevant for the student's research. 2. Quantitative Methods: With approval from the department, a student may demonstrate advanced quantitative methods necessary for **his or her their** doctoral research. 3. Qualitative Methods: With approval from the department, a student may demonstrate advanced qualitative methods necessary for **his or her their** doctoral research. This requirement must be met prior to **admission to advancement** to candidacy. No grade below "B" will be accepted. In consultation with **his/her their** advisor, a student will organize a dissertation committee **composed of one committee Chair, and under advisement by the Chair, select at least three 2 more** departmental members. ~~In addition, and a fourth member outside the department will be appointed to represent the required~~ Graduate College **Representative (GCR), to fulfill a total of at least 4 committee members**. Another outside member may be added at the department's discretion. Comprehensive written and oral examinations will be taken during or following the semester in which the student completes required course work. They will be divided into two parts, corresponding to the student's major fields. Within those fields the content of the examinations will be determined by the student's graduate coordinator. The student will write the dissertation of original research and interpretation on a topic in the field of comparative politics.

Graduation Requirements

The student must submit all required forms to the Graduate College **and then as well as** apply for graduation up to two semesters prior to completing **his/her their** degree requirements. The student must submit and successfully defend **his/her their** dissertation by the posted deadline. The defense must be advertised and is open to the public. The student must submit **his/her their** approved, properly formatted dissertation to the Graduate College, and submit the approved electronic version to ProQuest by the posted deadline.

Subplan 3 Requirements: Post-Bachelor's - International Relations Track

Total Credits Required: 60

Course Requirements

Methods in Political Science Courses – Credits: 6

Methods in Political Science Courses – Credits: 6

PSC 701 Research Design and Methodology	3
PSC 702 Advanced Quantitative Methods I	3

Proseminar Courses – Credits: 12

PSC 710R Proseminar in American Politics	3
PSC 740 Proseminar in International Relations	3
PSC 760R Proseminar in Comparative Politics	3
PSC 780R Proseminar in Political Theory	3

International Relations Field Courses – Credits: 9

Complete three of the following courses:

PSC 741 U.S. Foreign Policy	3
PSC 746 Middle East in World Affairs	3
PSC 747 Pacific Rim in World Affairs	3
PSC 751 International Political Economy	3
PSC 754 Global Governance	3
PSC 755 International Security	3
PSC 759 Advanced Studies in International Relations	3

Second Field – Credits: 9

Select one of the following second fields and complete three courses:

[Before] Second Field American Politics	
PSC 713 American National Government: Principles	3
PSC 714 American National Government: Structure and Processes	3
PSC 719 Advanced Studies in American Politics	3
PSC 721 Public Policy Process	3
PSC 723 Policy Analysis	3
PSC 729 Advanced Studies in Public Policy	3
PSC 732 Constitutional Law	3
PSC 739 Advanced Studies in Public Law	3
[Before] Second Field Comparative Politics	
PSC 761 Middle Eastern and North African Politics	3
PSC 762 African Politics	3

PSC 763 European Politics	3
PSC 764 Latin American Politics	3
PSC 767 Comparative Democratization	3
PSC 775 Comparative Political Behavior	3
PSC 779R Advanced Studies in Comparative Politics	3
[Before] Second Field Political Theory	
PSC 781 Political Theory before 1500	3
PSC 782R Political Theory from 1500 to 1900	3
PSC 783 Political Theory since 1900	3
PSC 789R Special Topic: Advanced Studies in Political Theory	3

Elective Courses – Credits: 12

Complete 12 credits of 700-level Political Science courses, or other advisor-approved courses.

Dissertation – Credits: 12

PSC 799 Dissertation

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Degree Requirements

A minimum of 60 credits beyond the B. A. must be completed. A minimum grade point average of 3.00 is required for all course work. Research Tool: The research tool can be fulfilled with one of three options: 1. Foreign Language: Students must demonstrate knowledge of the equivalent of two years of a single foreign language, through either an examination or 12 credits of college-level course work. Those credits would not count toward the required total. This requirement must be met prior to **admission advancement** to candidacy. No grade below "B" will be accepted. The foreign language selected must be approved by the department as relevant for the student's research. 2. Quantitative Methods: With approval from the department, a student may demonstrate advanced quantitative methods necessary for **his or her their** doctoral research. 3. Qualitative Methods: With approval from the department, a student may demonstrate advanced qualitative methods necessary for **his or her their** doctoral research. This requirement must be met prior to **to admission t o advancement** to candidacy. No grade below "B" will be accepted. In consultation with **his/her their** advisor, a student will organize a dissertation committee **composed of one committee Chair, and under advisement by the Chair, select at least three 2 more** departmental members **–In addition, and a fourth member outside the department will be appointed to represent the required** Graduate College **Representative (GCR), to fulfill a total of at least 4 committee members.** Another outside member may be added at the department's discretion. Comprehensive written examination will be taken during or following the semester in which the student completes required course work. They will be divided into two parts, corresponding to the student's major fields. Within those fields the content of the examinations will be determined by the student's graduate coordinator. The student will write the dissertation of original research and interpretation on a topic in the field of international relations.

Graduation Requirements

The student must submit all required forms to the Graduate College ~~and then as well as~~ apply for graduation up to two semesters prior to completing ~~his/her~~ **their** degree requirements. The student must submit and successfully defend ~~his/her~~ **their** dissertation by the posted deadline. The defense must be advertised and is open to the public. The student must submit ~~his/her~~ **their** approved, properly formatted dissertation to the Graduate College, and submit the approved electronic version to ProQuest by the posted deadline.

Subplan 4 Requirements: Post - Bachelor's Political Theory Track

Total Credits Required: 60

Course Requirements

Methods in Political Science Courses – Credits: 6

PSC 701 Research Design and Methodology	3
PSC 702 Advanced Quantitative Methods I	3

Proseminar Courses – Credits: 12

PSC 710R Proseminar in American Politics	3
PSC 740 Proseminar in International Relations	3
PSC 760R Proseminar in Comparative Politics	3
PSC 780R Proseminar in Political Theory	3

Political Theory Field Courses – Credits: 9

Complete three of the following courses:

PSC 781 Political Theory before 1500	3
PSC 782R Political Theory from 1500 to 1900	3
PSC 783 Political Theory since 1900	3
PSC 789R Special Topic: Advanced Studies in Political Theory	3

Second Field – Credits: 9

Select one of the following second fields and complete three courses:

[Before]

Second Field American Politics

PSC 713 American National Government: Principles	3
PSC 714 American National Government: Structure and Processes	3
PSC 719 Advanced Studies in American Politics	3
PSC 721 Public Policy Process	3
PSC 723 Policy Analysis	3
PSC 729 Advanced Studies in Public Policy	3
PSC 732 Constitutional Law	3
PSC 739 Advanced Studies in Public Law	3
[Before] Second Field Comparative Politics	
PSC 761 Middle Eastern and North African Politics	3
PSC 762 African Politics	3
PSC 763 European Politics	3
PSC 764 Latin American Politics	3
PSC 767 Comparative Democratization	3
PSC 775 Comparative Political Behavior	3
PSC 779R Advanced Studies in Comparative Politics	3
[Before] Second Field International Relations	
PSC 741 U.S. Foreign Policy	3
PSC 746 Middle East in World Affairs	3
PSC 747 Pacific Rim in World Affairs	3
PSC 751 International Political Economy	3
PSC 754 Global Governance	3
PSC 755 International Security	3
PSC 759 Advanced Studies in International Relations	3

Elective Courses – Credits: 12

Complete 12 credits of 700-level Political Science courses, or other advisor-approved courses.

Dissertation – Credits: 12

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Degree Requirements

A minimum of 60 credits beyond the B. A. must be completed. A minimum grade point average of 3.00 is required for all course work. Research Tool: The research tool can be fulfilled with one of three options: 1. Foreign Language: Students must demonstrate knowledge of the equivalent of two years of a single foreign language, through either an examination or 12 credits of college-

level course work. Those credits would not count toward the required total. This requirement must be met prior to **admission advancement** to candidacy. No grade below "B" will be accepted. The foreign language selected must be approved by the department as relevant for the student's research. 2. Quantitative Methods: With approval from the department, a student may demonstrate advanced quantitative methods necessary for **his or her their** doctoral research. 3. Qualitative Methods: With approval from the department, a student may demonstrate advanced qualitative methods necessary for **his or her their** doctoral research. This requirement must be met prior to **admission t o advancement** to candidacy. No grade below "B" will be accepted. In consultation with **his/her their** advisor, a student will organize a dissertation committee **composed of one committee Chair, and under advisement by the Chair, select at least three 2 more** departmental members. ~~In addition, and a fourth member outside the department will be appointed to represent the required~~ Graduate College **Representative (GCR), to fulfill a total of at least 4 committee members**. Another outside member may be added at the department's discretion. Comprehensive written examination will be taken during or following the semester in which the student completes required course work. They will be divided into two parts, corresponding to the student's major fields. Within those fields the content of he examinations will be determined by the student's graduate coordinator. The student will write the dissertation of original research and interpretation on a topic in the field of political theory.

Graduation Requirements

The student must submit all required forms to the Graduate College ~~and then as well as~~ apply for graduation up to two semesters prior to completing **his/her their** degree requirements. The student must submit and successfully defend **his/her their** dissertation by the posted deadline. The defense must be advertised and is open to the public. The student must submit **his/her their** approved, properly formatted dissertation to the Graduate College, and submit the approved electronic version to ProQuest by the posted deadline.

Subplan 5 Requirements: Post - Master's American Politics Track

Total Credits Required: 48

Course Requirements

Methods in Political Science Courses – Credits: 6

PSC 701 Research Design and Methodology	3
PSC 702 Advanced Quantitative Methods I	3

Proseminar Courses – Credits: 12

PSC 710R Proseminar in American Politics	3
PSC 740 Proseminar in International Relations	3
PSC 760R Proseminar in Comparative Politics	3

American Politics Field Courses – Credits: 9

Complete three of the following courses:

PSC 713 American National Government: Principles	3
PSC 714 American National Government: Structure and Processes	3
PSC 719 Advanced Studies in American Politics	3
PSC 721 Public Policy Process	3
PSC 723 Policy Analysis	3
PSC 729 Advanced Studies in Public Policy	3
PSC 732 Constitutional Law	3
PSC 739 Advanced Studies in Public Law	3
PSC 779R Advanced Studies in Comparative Politics	3

Second Field Courses – Credits: 9

Complete 3 of the following courses:

[Before] Second Field Comparative Politics	
PSC 761 Middle Eastern and North African Politics	3
PSC 762 African Politics	3
PSC 763 European Politics	3
PSC 764 Latin American Politics	3
PSC 767 Comparative Democratization	3
PSC 775 Comparative Political Behavior	3
PSC 779R Advanced Studies in Comparative Politics	3
[Before] Second Field International Relations	
PSC 741 U.S. Foreign Policy	3
PSC 746 Middle East in World Affairs	3
PSC 747 Pacific Rim in World Affairs	3
PSC 751 International Political Economy	3
PSC 754 Global Governance	3
PSC 755 International Security	3
PSC 759 Advanced Studies in International Relations	3
[Before] Second Field Political Theory	
PSC 781 Political Theory before 1500	3
PSC 782R Political Theory from 1500 to 1900	3
PSC 783 Political Theory since 1900	3
PSC 789R Special Topic: Advanced Studies in Political Theory	3

Dissertation – Credits: 12

PSC 799 Dissertation

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Degree Requirements

A minimum of 48 credits beyond the M. A. must be completed. A minimum grade point average of 3.00 is required for all course work. Research Tool: The research tool can be fulfilled with one of three options: 1. Foreign Language: Students must demonstrate knowledge of the equivalent of two years of a single foreign language, through either an examination or 12 credits of college-level course work. Those credits would not count toward the required total. This requirement must be met prior to **admission advancement** to candidacy. No grade below "B" will be accepted. The foreign language selected must be approved by the department as relevant for the student's research. 2. Quantitative Methods: With approval from the department, a student may demonstrate advanced quantitative methods necessary for **his or her their** doctoral research. 3. Qualitative Methods: With approval from the department, a student may demonstrate advanced qualitative methods necessary for **his or her their** doctoral research. This requirement must be met prior to **admission to advancement** to candidacy. No grade below "B" will be accepted. In consultation with **his/her their** advisor, a student will organize a dissertation committee **composed of one committee Chair, and under advisement by the Chair, select at least three 2 more** departmental members. **In addition, and a fourth member outside the department will be appointed to represent the required** Graduate College **Representative (GCR), to fulfill a total of at least 4 committee members.** Another outside member may be added at the department's discretion. Comprehensive written and oral examinations will be taken during or following the semester in which the student completes required course work. They will be divided into two parts, corresponding to the student's major fields. Within those fields the content of the examinations will be determined by the student's graduate coordinator. The student will write the dissertation of original research and interpretation on a topic in the field of American politics.

Graduation Requirements

The student must submit all required forms to the Graduate College **and then as well as** apply for graduation up to two semesters prior to completing **his/her their** degree requirements. The student must submit and successfully defend **his/her their** dissertation by the posted deadline. The defense must be advertised and is open to the public. The student must submit **his/her their** approved, a properly formatted dissertation to the Graduate College, and submit the approved electronic version to ProQuest by the posted deadline.

Subplan 6 Requirements: Post-Master's - Comparative Politics Track

Total Credits Required: 48

Course Requirements

Methods in Political Science Courses – Credits: 6

PSC 701 Research Design and Methodology	3
PSC 702 Advanced Quantitative Methods I	3

Proseminar Courses – Credits: 12

PSC 710R Proseminar in American Politics	3
PSC 740 Proseminar in International Relations	3
PSC 760R Proseminar in Comparative Politics	3
PSC 780R Proseminar in Political Theory	3

Comparative Field Courses – Credits: 9

PSC 761 Middle Eastern and North African Politics	3
PSC 762 African Politics	3
PSC 763 European Politics	3
PSC 764 Latin American Politics	3
PSC 767 Comparative Democratization	3
PSC 775 Comparative Political Behavior	3
PSC 779R Advanced Studies in Comparative Politics	3

Second Field – Credits: 9

Select one of the following second fields and complete three courses:

[Before] Second Field American Politics

PSC 713 American National Government: Principles	3
PSC 714 American National Government: Structure and Processes	3
PSC 719 Advanced Studies in American Politics	3
PSC 721 Public Policy Process	3
PSC 723 Policy Analysis	3
PSC 729 Advanced Studies in Public Policy	3
PSC 732 Constitutional Law	3
PSC 739 Advanced Studies in Public Law	3

[Before] Second Field International Relations

PSC 741 U.S. Foreign Policy	3
PSC 746 Middle East in World Affairs	3
PSC 747 Pacific Rim in World Affairs	3
PSC 751 International Political Economy	3
PSC 754 Global Governance	3
PSC 755 International Security	3

PSC 759 Advanced Studies in International Relations [Before] Second Field Political Theory	3
PSC 781 Political Theory before 1500	3
PSC 782R Political Theory from 1500 to 1900	3
PSC 783 Political Theory since 1900	3
PSC 789R Special Topic: Advanced Studies in Political Theory	3

Dissertation – Credits: 12

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Degree Requirements

A minimum of 48 credits beyond the M. A. must be completed and the department will determine the distribution of the 42 credits, based on the student's transcripts of prior work. A minimum grade point average of 3.00 is required for all course work. Foreign language requirement: Students must demonstrate knowledge of the equivalent of two years of a single foreign language, through either an examination or 12 credits of college-level course work. Those credits would not count toward the required total. This requirement must be met prior to **admission advancement** to candidacy. No grade below **"B-" "B"** will be accepted. In consultation with **his/her their** advisor, a student will organize a dissertation committee **composed of one committee Chair, and under advisement by the Chair, select** at least **three 2 more** departmental members. **In addition, and a fourth member outside the department will be assigned by the required** Graduate College **Representative (GCR), to fulfill a total of at least 4 committee members.** Another outside member may be added at the department's discretion. **In consultation with his/her his/her advisor, a student will organize a dissertation committee of at least three departmental departmental departmental members. In addition, a fourth member outside the department will be appointed to represent the Graduate College. Another outside member may be added at the department's discretion.** Comprehensive written **examination examination examination** will be taken during or following the semester in which the student completes required course work. They will be divided into two parts, corresponding to the student's major fields. Within those fields the content of the examinations will be determined by the student's graduate coordinator. The student will write the dissertation of original research and interpretation on a topic in the field of comparative politics.

Graduation Requirements

The student must submit all required forms to the Graduate College **and then as well as** apply for graduation up to two semesters prior to completing **his/her their** degree requirements. The student must submit and successfully defend **his/her their** dissertation by the posted deadline. The defense must be advertised and is open to the public. The student must submit **his/her their** approved, properly formatted dissertation to the Graduate College, and submit the approved electronic version to ProQuest by the posted deadline.

Subplan 7 Requirements: Post-Master's - International Relations Track

Total Credits Required: 48

Course Requirements

Methods in Political Science Courses – Credits: 6

PSC 701 Research Design and Methodology	3
PSC 702 Advanced Quantitative Methods I	3

Proseminar Courses – Credits: 12

PSC 710R Proseminar in American Politics	3
PSC 740 Proseminar in International Relations	3
PSC 760R Proseminar in Comparative Politics	3
PSC 780R Proseminar in Political Theory	3

International Relations Field Courses – Credits: 9

Complete three of the following courses:

PSC 741 U.S. Foreign Policy	3
PSC 746 Middle East in World Affairs	3
PSC 747 Pacific Rim in World Affairs	3
PSC 751 International Political Economy	3
PSC 754 Global Governance	3
PSC 755 International Security	3
PSC 759 Advanced Studies in International Relations	3

Second Field – Credits: 9

Select one of the following second fields and complete three courses:

[Before] Second Field American Politics	
PSC 713 American National Government: Principles	3
PSC 714 American National Government: Structure and Processes	3
PSC 719 Advanced Studies in American Politics	3

PSC 721 Public Policy Process	3
PSC 723 Policy Analysis	3
PSC 729 Advanced Studies in Public Policy	3
PSC 732 Constitutional Law	3
PSC 739 Advanced Studies in Public Law	3
[Before] Second Field Comparative Politics	
PSC 761 Middle Eastern and North African Politics	3
PSC 762 African Politics	3
PSC 763 European Politics	3
PSC 764 Latin American Politics	3
PSC 767 Comparative Democratization	3
PSC 775 Comparative Political Behavior	3
PSC 779R Advanced Studies in Comparative Politics	3
[Before] Second Field Political Theory	
PSC 781 Political Theory before 1500	3
PSC 782R Political Theory from 1500 to 1900	3
PSC 783 Political Theory since 1900	3
PSC 789R Special Topic: Advanced Studies in Political Theory	3

Dissertation – Credits: 12

PSC 799 Dissertation

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Degree Requirements

A minimum of 48 credits beyond the M. A. must be completed. A minimum grade point average of 3.00 is required for all course work. Research Tool: The research tool can be fulfilled with one of three options: 1. Foreign Language: Students must demonstrate knowledge of the equivalent of two years of a single foreign language, through either an examination or 12 credits of college-level course work. Those credits would not count toward the required total. This requirement must be met prior to **admission advancement** to candidacy. No grade below "B" will be accepted. The foreign language selected must be approved by the department as relevant for the student's research. 2. Quantitative Methods: With approval from the department, a student may demonstrate advanced quantitative methods necessary for **his or her their** doctoral research. 3. Qualitative Methods: With approval from the department, a student may demonstrate advanced qualitative methods necessary for **his or her their** doctoral research. This requirement must be met prior to **admission to advancement** to candidacy. No grade below "B" will be accepted. In consultation with **his/her their** advisor, a student will organize a dissertation committee **composed of one committee Chair, and under advisement by the Chair, select at least three 2 more** departmental members. **In addition, and a fourth member outside the department will be appointed to represent the required** Graduate College **Representative (GCR), to fulfill a total of at least 4 committee members.** Another outside member may be added at the department's discretion. Comprehensive written examination will be taken during or following the semester in which the student completes required course work. They will be divided into two parts, corresponding to the student's major fields. Within those fields the content of the examinations will be determined by the student's graduate coordinator. The student will write the dissertation of original research and interpretation on a topic in the field of international relations.

Graduation Requirements

The student must submit all required forms to the Graduate College **and then as well as** apply for graduation up to two semesters prior to completing **his/her their** degree requirements. The student must submit and successfully defend **his/her their** dissertation by the posted deadline. The defense must be advertised and is open to the public. The student must submit **his/her their** approved, properly formatted dissertation to the Graduate College, and submit the approved electronic version to ProQuest by the posted deadline.

Subplan 8 Requirements: Post - Master's Political Theory Track

Total Credits Required: 48

Course Requirements

Methods in Political Science Courses – Credits: 6

PSC 701 Research Design and Methodology	3
PSC 702 Advanced Quantitative Methods I	3

Proseminar Courses – Credits: 12

PSC 710R Proseminar in American Politics	3
PSC 740 Proseminar in International Relations	3
PSC 760R Proseminar in Comparative Politics	3
PSC 780R Proseminar in Political Theory	3

Political Theory Field Courses – Credits: 9

Complete three of the following courses:

PSC 781 Political Theory before 1500	3
PSC 782R Political Theory from 1500 to 1900	3
PSC 783 Political Theory since 1900	3
PSC 789R Special Topic: Advanced Studies in Political Theory	3

Second Field – Credits: 9

Select one of the following second fields and complete three courses:

[Before] Second Field American Politics	
PSC 713 American National Government: Principles	3
PSC 714 American National Government: Structure and Processes	3
PSC 719 Advanced Studies in American Politics	3
PSC 721 Public Policy Process	3
PSC 723 Policy Analysis	3
PSC 729 Advanced Studies in Public Policy	3
PSC 732 Constitutional Law	3
PSC 739 Advanced Studies in Public Law	3
[Before] Second Field Comparative Politics	
PSC 761 Middle Eastern and North African Politics	3
PSC 762 African Politics	3
PSC 763 European Politics	3
PSC 764 Latin American Politics	3
PSC 767 Comparative Democratization	3
PSC 775 Comparative Political Behavior	3
PSC 779R Advanced Studies in Comparative Politics	3
[Before] Second Field International Relations	
PSC 741 U.S. Foreign Policy	3
PSC 746 Middle East in World Affairs	3
PSC 747 Pacific Rim in World Affairs	3
PSC 751 International Political Economy	3
PSC 754 Global Governance	3
PSC 755 International Security	3
PSC 759 Advanced Studies in International Relations	3

Dissertation – Credits: 12

PSC 799 Dissertation	3-12
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Degree Requirements

A minimum of 48 credits beyond the M. A. must be completed. A minimum grade point average of 3.00 is required for all course work. Research Tool: The research tool can be fulfilled with one of three options: 1. Foreign Language: Students must demonstrate knowledge of the equivalent of two years of a single foreign language, through either an examination or 12 credits of college-level course work. Those credits would not count toward the required total. This requirement must be met prior to **admission advancement** to candidacy. No grade below "B" will be accepted. The foreign language selected must be approved by the department as relevant for the student's research. 2. Quantitative Methods: With approval from the department, a student may demonstrate advanced quantitative methods necessary for **his or her their** doctoral research. 3. Qualitative Methods: With approval from the department, a student may demonstrate advanced qualitative methods necessary for **his or her their** doctoral research. This requirement must be met prior to **admission t o advancement** to candidacy. No grade below "B" will be accepted. In

consultation with **his/her their** advisor, a student will organize a dissertation committee **composed of one committee Chair, and under advisement by the Chair, select at least three 2 more** departmental members. ~~In addition, and a fourth member outside the department will be selected to represent the required~~ Graduate College **Representative (GCR), to fulfill a total of at least 4 committee members**. Another outside member may be added at the department's discretion.. Comprehensive written and oral examinations will be taken during or following the semester in which the student completes required course work. They will be divided into two parts, corresponding to the student's major fields. Within those fields the content of the examinations will be determined by the student's graduate coordinator. The student will write the dissertation of original research and interpretation on a topic in the field of political theory.

Graduation Requirements

The student must submit all required forms to the Graduate College ~~and then as well as~~ apply for graduation up to two semesters prior to completing **his/her their** degree requirements. The student must submit and successfully defend **his/her their** dissertation by the posted deadline. The defense must be advertised and is open to the public. The student must submit ~~his/her~~ **their** approved, properly formatted dissertation to the Graduate College, and submit the approved electronic version to ProQuest by the posted deadline.

Plan Graduation Requirements

Refer to your subplan for Graduation Requirements.

- Subplan 1: Post-Bachelor's - American Politics Track
- Subplan 2: Post-Bachelor's – Comparative Politics Track
- Subplan 3: Post-Bachelor's – International Relations Track
- Subplan 4: Post-Bachelor's - Political Theory Track
- Subplan 5: Post-Master's - American Politics Track
- Subplan 6: Post-Master's – Comparative Politics Track
- Subplan 7: Post-Master's – International Relations Track
- Subplan 8: Post-Master's - Political Theory Track