### Bachelor of Arts (BA) – Political Science with Teacher Certification
(Social Studies Composite: Geography Minor and History Third Field)

**Catalog Year 2018**

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#### General Education Core

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<th>Core Category</th>
<th>Credit Hours</th>
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<td>Communication</td>
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<td>Mathematics</td>
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<td>Life and Physical Science</td>
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<td>Language, Philosophy, and Culture</td>
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<td>Creative Arts</td>
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#### Political Science Major

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<tr>
<td>POSI 2310</td>
<td>Principles of American Government</td>
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<td>Functions of American Government</td>
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<td>PS 3300</td>
<td>Basic Political Ideas (WI)</td>
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<td>or PS 3301</td>
<td>Basic Political Institutions (WI)</td>
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#### Choose 4 of the 5 Groups (12 Hours)

- **Group I**: Political Theory and Methodology
- **Group II**: American Government
- **Group III**: Public Law and Public Administration
- **Group IV**: Comparative Politics
- **Group V**: International Relations

#### Advanced Political Science Elective

- PS 3000 or 4000 level elective

#### Practicum in Political Science

- PS 4398 (WI) (PS 4398 should be taken with the Block Experience)

#### Social Studies Resources and Practices

- HIST 4300 (WI) (HIST 4300 should be taken with the Block Experience)

Note: Will need a C or higher in all Political Science courses and a 2.50 GPA in this section.

#### Geography Minor

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<th>Minor Requirement</th>
<th>Credit Hours</th>
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<tr>
<td>GEO 1309</td>
<td>Introduction to Cultural Geography</td>
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<td>or GEO 1310</td>
<td>World Geography</td>
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<tr>
<td>GEO 2410</td>
<td>Introduction to Physical Geography</td>
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<td>(Prerequisite: MATH 1315 or above [excluding 1316] with a C or higher)</td>
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<tr>
<td>GEO 3303</td>
<td>Economic Geography</td>
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<td>GEO 3309</td>
<td>United States and Canada (WI)</td>
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<td>GEO 3329</td>
<td>Geography of Texas</td>
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Note: Will need a C or higher in all Geography courses and a 2.50 GPA in this section.

#### History Third Field

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<th>Third Field Requirement</th>
<th>Credit Hours</th>
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<tr>
<td>HIST 1310</td>
<td>History of the United States to 1877 (WI)</td>
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<td>HIST 1320</td>
<td>History of the United States, 1877 to Date (WI)</td>
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<td>HIST 2311</td>
<td>History of World Civilization to the 17th Century (WI)</td>
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<td>HIST 2312</td>
<td>History of World Civilization from the 17th Century (WI)</td>
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<td>HIST 3372</td>
<td>Texas History: A Survey (WI)</td>
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Note: Will need a C or higher in all History courses and a 2.50 GPA in this section.

#### Minimum Graduation Requirements

- 120 total hours
- 36 advanced hours
- 30 hours taken at Texas State
- 24 advanced hours taken at Texas State
- 12 advanced hours in major taken at Texas State
- 24 of the last 30 hours taken at Texas State
- 9 Writing Intensive (WI) hours taken at Texas State
- 2.75 Overall GPA
- 2.00 Texas State GPA
- 2.50 GPA in all Teaching Fields (POSI, GEO, & HIST)
- 2.50 Teacher Certification coursework

*WI* - Writing Intensive course (if taken at Texas State)
ADVANCED POLITICAL SCIENCE COURSES
(Note: PS 3300 or PS 3301 serve as corequisites for all advanced PS courses.)

GROUP I – POLITICAL THEORY AND METHODOLOGY
PS 3311 American Political Thought: From the Colonial Period to Civil War 1
PS 3313 Contemporary Political Theory 1
PS 3314 Politics and Personality 1
PS 3315 Quantitative Research in Political Science 1, 2
PS 4311 Ancient & Medieval Political Thought (Greeks to 1600) 1
PS 4312 Modern Political Theory (1600-1900) 1
PS 4313 The Holocaust 1

GROUP II – AMERICAN GOVERNMENT
PA 3316 Metropolitan Politics 1, 2
PA 3351 Urban Management and Regional Policy 1, 2
PA 4362 Government, Nonprofit and America Business 1, 2
PS 3321 Campaigns and Elections 1
PS 3322 Parties and Party Politics 1
PS 3323 Congress and the Legislative Process 1
PS 3324 The American Presidency 1
PS 3325 State and Local Government 1
PS 3326 Issues and Interest Groups: Power and Pressure in America 1
PS 3327 The American Founding 1
PS 3328 Politics in Film 1
PS 4321 American Foreign Policy 1
PS 4322 Latin American Politics 1
PS 4323 Women in Politics 1
PS 4325 Texas Politics 1
PS 4326 Media and Public Opinion 1
PS 4327 Religion and American Public Life 1

GROUP III – PUBLIC LAW AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
PA 3330 Introduction to Public and Nonprofit Administration 1
PA 3350 Public Personnel and Human Resource Administration 1, 2
PA 3340 Administrative Law 1, 2
PA 4350 Public Policy Process 1, 2
PA 4352 Comparative Public Administration 1, 2
PS 3331 The Supreme Court and the Judicial Process 1
PS 3332 Constitutional Law: Basic Structures and Principles 1
PS 3333 Constitutional Law: Individual Liberties 1
PS 3334 Civil Law in American Society 1
PS 4333 Issues in Law and Public Policy 1
PS 4334 Legal Theories and Research 1

GROUP IV – COMPARATIVE POLITICS
PS 3341 Comparative Politics 1
PS 3342 African Politics 1
PS 3343 Government and Politics of Latin America 1
PS 3344 Government and Politics of Europe 1
PS 3345 Government and Politics of Russia 1
PS 3346 Government and Politics of Asia 1
PS 3347 Politics of Modern Southeast Asia 1
PS 3348 Revolution and Nationalism 1
PS 3352 Theories of International Politics 1
PS 4331 Islamic Law and Politics 1
PS 4342 Economic Development in Latin America 1
PS 4343 Politics of Democratization in Developing Countries 1
PS 4344 The Politics of Extremism 1
PS 4346 Organization of American States 1

GROUP V – INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
PS 3351 Introduction to International Studies 1
PS 3352 Theories of International Politics 1
PS 3353 Issues in World Politics 1
PS 3354 United States-Latin American Relations 1
PS 4341 Civil-Military Relations in Comparative Politics 1
PS 4351 International Conflict and Security 1
PS 3352 International Law 1
PS 4353 International Organizations 1
PS 4354 Politics of International Economic Relations 1

1 Indicates a Writing Intensive course.
2 Indicates a prerequisite or corequisite course is required. Refer to catalog or an academic advisor.

TEACHING CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS
21 hours

PRE-BLOCK COURSES (6 HOURS)
Required prerequisites for Pre-block Courses: 60 earned hours and 2.75 Overall GPA
☐ CI 3325 Adolescent Growth and Development
☐ CI 4332 Curriculum and Technology

BLOCK EXPERIENCE (9 HOURS)
Required prerequisites for the Block Experience: Admittance into the Teaching Preparation Program; CI 3325 and CI 4332; 2.75 Overall GPA; and co-enrollment in all three courses listed
☐ CI 4343 Instructional Strategies for the Secondary Teacher
☐ CI 4370 Classroom Management, Ethics, and Legal Issues
☐ RDG 3323 Teaching Reading in the Content Areas

STUDENT TEACHING (6 HOURS)
Required prerequisites for Student Teaching: Admittance into the Teaching Preparation Program; all other coursework completed; 2.75 Overall GPA
☐ EDST 4681 Student Teaching

Note: The Block Experience and Student Teaching require applications. Visit www.education.txstate.edu/oep for more info.

Note: Will need a C or higher in all Teaching Certification requirement courses and a 2.50 GPA in this section.

ADMITTANCE TO THE TEACHER PREPARATION PROGRAM

Students must apply to and meet the following requirements for admittance into the Teacher Preparation Program:

- An Overall GPA of at least 2.75
- Completion of the following coursework with a grade of “C” or better in the following skill areas:
  - Reading: Any 6 credit hours coded 060 or 070 Core Curriculum
  - Written Communication: Any 6 credit hours coded 010 Core Curriculum
  - Critical Thinking: Any 3 credit hours coded 040 Core Curriculum
  - Mathematics: Any 3 credit hours coded 020 Core Curriculum
  - Completion of COMM 1310 or its equivalent with a grade of “B” or better to demonstrate competency in oral communication. If a “C” is earned, students may schedule an interview with the Office of Educator Preparation to determine whether the course must be repeated

- Junior status (60 hours completed)
- 12 semester credit hours in subject-specific content area
- Application to the Teacher Preparation Program

Determination of admittance to the Teacher Preparation Program is overseen by the Office of Educator Preparation. More information available at www.education.txstate.edu/oep.

To meet with an academic advisor, please contact:

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