

Political Science B.S. - 4 Year Degree Plan

2025-2026

Lamar University's **Bachelor of Science in Political Science** gives you the opportunity to study government, the most important decision-making part of society and of the social, economic and other institutions and practices that influence this decision-making process. This program provides rigorous training in social scientific methodology and equips you to study and produce empirical research about politics and its subfields: American politics, international relations, comparative politics, public administration and public policy.

NOTE: Degree plans may change over a four-year period. This may not be the most current list of course requirements for your program. It is always advised that you check Degree Audit in Banner Self-Serv or your advisor for the most up-to-date degree requirements and to track your progress toward a degree.

FIRST YEAR	Fall		Hours	Grade	Spring		Hours	Grade
	ENGL 1301	Composition I	3	_____	ENGL 1302	Composition II	3	_____
	HIST 1301	U.S. History I 1763-1877	3	_____	HIST 1302	U.S. History II Since 1877	3	_____
	POLS 1301	Intro to Political Science	3	_____	Life and Physical Science		3	_____
	Life and Physical Science		3	_____	MATH 1342	Elementary Statistical Methods	3	_____
	COMM 1315	Public Speaking I	3	_____	Creative Arts		3	_____
	Hours		15	_____	Hours		15	_____
SECOND YEAR	Fall		Hours	Grade	Spring		Hours	Grade
	PHIL 2306	Ethics	3	_____	POLS 2302	Intro to American Government II	3	_____
	POLS 2301	Intro to American Government I	3	_____	Minor Course		6	_____
	ACCT 2301	Introduction to Financial Accounting	3	_____	ECON 3340 or MATH 3312	Macro Economics or Probability Statistics and Statistical Modeling	3	_____
	ECON 2301	Principles for Economics I Macro	3	_____	Electives		3	_____
	MATH 1342 or PSYC 2317	Elementary Statistical Methods or Introduction to Statistical Methods	3	_____				_____
	Hours		15	_____	Hours		15	_____
THIRD YEAR	Fall		Hours	Grade	Spring		Hours	Grade
	POLS Elective	3000-4000 Level	3	_____	POLS Electives	3000-4000 level	3	_____
	POLS 3341	Intro to Public Administration	3	_____	POLS 3343	Public Policy Formulation	3	_____
	POLS 2351	Statistics for Social Science	3	_____	POLS 3352	Advanced Research Methods	3	_____
	SOCI 1301	Introduction to Sociology	3	_____	ECON 2302	Principles of Economics II Micro	3	_____
	Electives		3	_____	Minor Course		3	_____
	Hours		15	_____	Hours		15	_____
FOURTH YEAR	Fall		Hours	Grade	Spring		Hours	Grade
	POLS Elective	3000-4000 level	3	_____	POLS Elective	3000-4000 level	3	_____
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	Minor	3000-4000 level	3	_____	Minor	3000-4000 level	3	_____
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