

# Political Science B.A. - 4 Year Degree Plan

2025-2026

Lamar University's **Bachelor of Arts 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			ENGL 1302	Composition II		
	HIST 1301	U.S. History I 1763-1877	3		HIST 1302	U.S. History II Since 1877	3	
	FREN 1311 or SPAN 1311	Beginning French I or Beginning Spanish I	3		FREN 1312 or SPAN 1312	Beginning French II or Beginning Spanish II	3	
	POLS 1301	Intro to Political Science	3		MATH 1342	Elementary Statistical Methods	3	
	COMM 1315	Public Speaking I	3		PHIL 2306	Ethics	3	
	Hours		15		Hours		15	
SECOND YEAR	Fall		Hours	Grade	Spring		Hours	Grade
	ENGL 2322 or ENGL 2326 or ENGL 2331 or ENGL 2376				FREN 2312 or SPAN 2312			
	British Lit, American Lit, World Lit, African-American Lit		3		Intermediate French II or Intermediate Spanish II		3	
	POLS 2301		3		Life and Physical Science		3	
	Life and Physical Science		3		Minor Course		3	
	FREN 2311 or SPAN 2311		3		Elective		3	
	MATH 1342 or PSYC 2317		3		POLS 2302	Intro to American Government II	3	
THIRD YEAR	Hours		15		Hours		15	
	Fall		Hours	Grade	Spring		Hours	Grade
	POLS Elective				POLS Elective			
	3000-4000 Level		3		3000-4000 Level		3	
	POLS Elective		3		POLS Elective		3	
	POLS 2351		3		POLS 3352	Advanced Research Methods	3	
	Minor Course		3		Minor Course		3	
FOURTH YEAR	SOCI 1301		3		THEA 1310	Theatre Appreciation	3	
	Hours		15		Hours		15	
	Fall		Hours	Grade	Spring		Hours	Grade
	POLS Elective				POLS Elective			
	3000-4000 Level		3		3000-4000 Level		3	
	POLS Elective		3		POLS Elective		3	
	Elective		3		Elective		3	
	Elective		3		Minor		3	
	Minor		3		Minor		3	
	Hours		15		Hours		15	