

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BACHELOR OF ARTS
DODGE FAMILY COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

Academic Year
For Students Entering the Oklahoma State System for Higher Education Summer 2024 through Spring 2025

General Requirements	
Minimum Total Credit Hours	120
Minimum Upper-Division Hours	48
Major Hours	33
Minimum Retention/Graduation Grade Point Averages:	
Overall - Combined and OU	2.00
Major - Combined and OU	2.00

Program
Political Science: Elections and Campaign Management
B790 P339
Bachelor of Arts

OU encourages students to complete at least 30 hours of applicable coursework each year to have the opportunity to graduate in 4 years.

GENERAL EDUCATION AND COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS

Courses for fulfillment of General Education and Dodge College of Arts & Sciences requirements must be from the approved General Education course list published in the Class Schedule or at <http://www.ou.edu/gened/courses>. Courses graded P/NP will not apply.

UNIVERSITY-WIDE GENERAL EDUCATION (MINIMUM 40 HOURS) AND COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Core Area I: Symbolic and Oral Communication		
<i>English Composition (6 hours)</i>		
ENGL 1113	Principles of English Composition	3
ENGL 1213	Principles of English Composition	3
or EXPO 1213	Expository Writing	
<i>Language (0-13 hours in the same language)</i>		
The college requirement cannot be met by high school coursework.		
Beginning Course		0-5
Beginning Course, continued		0-5
Intermediate Course (2000 level) ^{1,2}		0-3
<i>Mathematics (3 hours)</i>		
Choose one course from the General Education Mathematics list		
Core Area II: Natural Science (7 hours, including one laboratory component)		
<i>Biological Science</i>		
Choose an approved General Education Natural Science course with one of the following prefixes: BIOL, HES, MBIO, or PBIO ¹		
<i>Physical Science</i>		
Choose an approved General Education Natural Science course with one of the following prefixes: AGSC, ASTR, CHEM, GEOG, GEOL, GPHY, METR, or PHYS ¹		
Core Area III: Social Science (6 hours)		
P SC 1113	American Federal Government	3
Choose one course from the General Education Social Science list		
Core Area IV: Arts and Humanities (18 hours)		
<i>Artistic Forms</i>		
Choose one course from the General Education Artistic Forms list		
<i>Western Culture</i>		
HIST 1483	United States to 1865	3
or HIST 1493	United States, 1865 to the Present	
Choose one course from the General Education Western Culture list (excluding HIST 1483/1493)		
<i>World Culture</i>		
Choose one course from the General Education World Culture list		
<i>Additional Core IV Upper-Division Arts & Humanities courses</i>		
Choose one course from Artistic Forms, Western Culture, or World Culture ^{1,3}		
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Core Area V: First Year Experience (3 hours)		
Choose one course		
Total Credit Hours		56

- College of Arts and Sciences Requirements: college requirements are not automatically fulfilled by a previous degree.
- One course at the intermediate level or demonstrated competency at that level
- 6 upper-division hours, 2 courses, at the 3000- 4000-level. *Must be outside the major.*

FREE ELECTIVES

Electives to bring total applicable hours to the minimum total required for the degree including 48 upper-division hours.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

- The Department of Political Science does *not* permit major coursework to also fulfill General Education or Dodge College of Arts and Sciences requirements.
- P SC 1113 does not count for major credit.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Research Methods		
P SC 2013	Introduction to Political Analysis	3
Distribution Requirements		
Choose four courses, one course each from 4 of the following 6 groups ¹		
Group I: American Politics		
Group II: Comparative Politics		
Group III: International Relations		
Group IV: Public Administration		
Group V: Public Policy		
Group VI: Political Theory		
Election and Campaign Management Concentration		
<i>Group I</i>		
P SC 3483	Campaign Management	3
<i>Group II</i>		
P SC 3433	Voters and Campaigns	3
<i>Group III</i>		
Choose 3 hours from the following:		
P SC 3093	Minority Political Behavior	
P SC 3413	American Political Parties	
P SC 3423	Public Opinion	
P SC 3443	Mass Media and American Politics	
P SC 3473		
P SC 3763	Field Research Methods and Community Engagement: The Oklahoma City Exit Poll	
P SC 3943	Campaigns Through Film	
<i>Group IV</i>		
Choose 6 hours from the following:		
Any of the Election & Campaign Management Concentration courses listed above that are not taken to satisfy requirements		
P SC 3910	Government Internship	
P SC/COMM 4323	Political Communication	
COMM 3003	Political Campaign Processes	
COMM 4253	Strategic Communication Campaigns	
COMM 4423	Communication and Public Opinion	
COMM 4643	Mass Media Effects	
Capstone		
P SC 4093	Capstone Seminar in Political Science ²	3
Total Credit Hours		33

- A list of the courses approved for each group may be obtained in the Political Science Department or on the departmental website.
- This course should be taken during the senior year. The capstone course must be completed with a grade of C or better.

More information in the catalog: (<http://ou-public.courseleaf.com/dodge-arts-sciences/political-science/political-science-elections-campaign-management-bachelor-arts/>).

INFORMATION CONCERNING GENERAL RULES, REGULATIONS AND MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Arts and Sciences Hours: At least 80 semester hours of liberal arts and sciences courses are required for a BA degree. At least 55 semester hours of liberal arts and sciences courses are required for a BS degree.

Pass/No Pass Enrollment: A maximum of 16 semester hours of free elective credit may be attempted under this option.

Individual Studies (e.g., courses titled "Independent Study"): A maximum of 12 total semester hours may be counted toward graduation, excluding Honors Reading and Honors Research.

P.E. Courses: No physical education activity courses will be counted toward the 120 semester hours of acceptable credit for graduation.

Senior Institution Hours: A minimum of 60 semester hours applied toward graduation must be earned at senior (4-year) institutions.

Residency:

- At least 15 of the final 30 hours applied toward the degree or at least 50 percent of the hours required by the institution in the major field must be satisfactorily completed at the awarding institution.
- At least 15 semester hours of upper-division major work must be completed in residence at OU.
- OU correspondence courses are *not* considered resident credit.

Grade Point Averages: Students must earn a minimum over all 2.00 for each of the following: Combined Retention GPA (all college grades), OU Retention GPA, GPA for all major courses, and GPA for all major courses taken at OU. Some schools and departments of the College have higher minimum grade point averages required for their students.

SUGGESTED SEMESTER PLAN OF STUDY

This plan shows one possible grouping of courses that would allow students to graduate in four years. Please refer to the front of the degree checksheet for official requirements. Students must consult with Dodge College of Arts and Sciences and Department of Political Science academic advisors to verify that courses selected each semester fulfill the recommended plan and satisfy University, College of Arts and Sciences, and Political Science major requirements.

Year	FIRST SEMESTER		Hours	SECOND SEMESTER		Hours
FRESHMAN	ENGL 1113	Principles of English Composition (Core I)	3	ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213	Principles of English Composition (Core I) or Expository Writing	3
	HIST 1483 or HIST 1493	United States to 1865 (Core IV) or United States, 1865 to the Present	3		Math (Core I)	3
		Social Science (Core III)	3	P SC 1113	American Federal Government (Core III)	3
		First Year Experience (Core V)	3		Natural Science without lab (Core II)	3
		Artistic Forms (Core IV)	3		Western Culture (Core IV)	3
		CREDIT HOURS		15	CREDIT HOURS	15
SOPHOMORE		P SC Distribution Requirement	3		P SC Distribution Requirement	3
		P SC Distribution Requirement	3		P SC Distribution Requirement	3
		Beginning Language (Core I)	5		Beginning Language continued (Core I)	5
		World Culture (Core IV)	3		Natural Science with lab (Core II)	4
		Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	1			
	CREDIT HOURS		15	CREDIT HOURS	15	
JUNIOR	P SC 2013	Introduction to Political Analysis	3	P SC 3433	Voters and Campaigns	3
		P SC Election & Campaign Management Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3		P SC Election & Campaign Management Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
		Arts & Humanities, upper-division, outside major (Gen. Ed.)	3		Arts & Humanities, upper-division, outside major (Gen. Ed.)	3
		Intermediate Language	3		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
	CREDIT HOURS		15	CREDIT HOURS	15	
SENIOR		P SC Election & Campaign Management Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3	P SC 4093	Capstone Seminar in Political Science	3
		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3	P SC 3483	Campaign Management	3
		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3		Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	3
		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3		Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	3
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	CREDIT HOURS		15	CREDIT HOURS	15	