

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MASTER 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 2025 through Spring 2026

General Requirements
Minimum Total Hours (Thesis) 36
Minimum Total Hours (Non-Thesis) 36

Program
Political Science
M790
Master of Arts

REQUIRED COURSES

Note: A final oral comprehensive exam with a three-member committee is also required.

THESIS OPTION

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Required Courses		
P SC 5923	Introduction to Analysis of Political Data	3
P SC 5933	Intermediate Analysis of Political Data	3
P SC 6003	Political Science: Survey of a Discipline	3
P SC 5980	Research for Master's Thesis	6
Core Courses		
<i>Major Emphasis</i>		
Choose at least 9 hours in the emphasis, selected from a list maintained by the academic unit and approved by the Graduate College ¹		9
<i>Secondary Emphasis (non-examining)</i>		
Choose at least 9 hours in the emphasis, selected from a list maintained by the academic unit and approved by the Graduate College ²		9
Electives		
Choose 3 hours as approved by advisor and Graduate Liaison, selected from a list maintained by the academic unit and approved by the Graduate College		3
Total Credit Hours		36

NON-THESIS OPTION

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Required Courses		
P SC 5923	Introduction to Analysis of Political Data	3
P SC 5933	Intermediate Analysis of Political Data	3
P SC 6003	Political Science: Survey of a Discipline	3
P SC 5950	Research Problems	3
Core Courses		
<i>Major Emphasis</i>		
Choose at least 9 hours in the emphasis, selected from a list maintained by the academic unit and approved by the Graduate College ¹		9
<i>Secondary Emphasis (non-examining)</i>		
Choose at least 9 hours in the emphasis, selected from a list maintained by the academic unit and approved by the Graduate College ²		9
Electives		
Choose 6 hours as approved by advisor and Graduate Liaison, selected from a list maintained by the academic unit and approved by the Graduate College		6
Total Credit Hours		36

- ¹ Major Emphasis Areas: American Government and Politics, Political Theory, Comparative Government and Politics, International Relations, Public Administration, Public Policy.
- ² Secondary Emphasis Areas: American Government and Politics, Political Theory, Comparative Government and Politics, International Relations, Public Administration, Political Methodology, Public Law, Public Policy.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL MASTER'S DEGREES

The master's degree requires the equivalent of *at least* two semesters of satisfactory graduate work and additional work as may be prescribed for the degree.

All coursework applied to the master's degree must carry graduate credit.

Master's degree programs which require a thesis consist of *at least* 30 credit hours. All non-thesis master's degree programs require *at least* 30 credit hours.

Credit transferred from other institutions must meet specific criteria and is subject to certain limitations.

Courses completed through correspondence study may *not* be applied to the master's degree.

To qualify for a graduate degree, students must achieve an overall grade point average of 3.0 or higher in the degree program coursework and in all resident graduate coursework attempted. A student must also have at least a 3.0 in all coursework (including undergraduate coursework if any).

Additional information for master's degree students may be found in the Graduate College Bulletin.

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