

		†	H	Course #	Course Title	Min. Grade	GEC	Prerequisite	Additional Notes	
FIRST YEAR	FALL		3	Choose 1	Communication (Core)	C	010	For all 010 courses: Satisfactory scores on ENGL portion of ACT test or TSI reading/writing exams or ENGL 0301. For ENGL 1302/1388, a grade of "C" or better in ENGL 1301/1387.	See General Education Core for more details Options: ENGL 1301 or ENGL 1305 or ENGL 1387 (H)	
			3	Choose 1	Integrative/Experiential Learning Option (Core)		090		See General Education Core for course options.	
			3	Choose 1	American History (Core)		060		See General Education Core for more details. Options: HIST 1301 or HIST 1387 (H) or HIST/MASC 2327	
			3	MATH 1314	College Algebra	C	020		Satisfactory scores on Math portion of ACT test or TSI math exam or MATH 0314/0332/0342.	Meets General Education Core requirements
			3	Choose 1	Social and Behavioral Sciences (Core)		080		See General Education Core for course options. ECON 2301 recommended.	
					UNIV 1301	Learning Framework				Only if required, based on ACT/SAT and high school rank.
15 Semester Total Hours										
FIRST YEAR	SPRING		3	Choose 1	Communication (Core)	C	010	For all 010 courses: Satisfactory scores on ENGL portion of ACT test or TSI reading/writing exams or ENGL 0301. For ENGL 1302/1388, a grade of "C" or better in ENGL 1301/1387.	See General Education Core for more details Options: ENGL 1302 or ENGL 1305 or ENGL 1388 (H)	
			3	Choose 1	American History (Core)		060		See General Education Core for more details. Options: HIST 1302 or HIST 1388 (H) or HIST/MASC 2328	
			3	POLS 2305	U.S. Federal Govt & Politics		070		Option: POLS 2385 (H)	
			4	Choose 1	Life and Physical Sciences (Core)		030/090		See General Education Core for course options.	
			3	Choose 1	Creative Arts (Core)		050		See General Education Core for course options.	
16 Semester Total Hours										
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SECOND YEAR	FALL		3	POLS 2306	Texas Government & Politics		070		Option: POLS 2386 (H)	
			1	Choose 1	Integrative/Experiential Learning Option (Core)		090		See General Education Core for course options.	
			3	Choose 1	Language, Philosophy & Culture (Core)		040		See General Education Core for course options.	
			4	Choose 1	Life and Physical Sciences (Core)		030/090		See General Education Core for course options.	
			3	13XX - 43XX	Second Major or Minor course					
		14 Semester Total Hours								
SECOND YEAR	SPRING		4	POLS 2470	Introduction to Political Science Research			POLS 2305 (or POLS 2385)	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.	
			3	POLS 23XX	Gateway to Political Science Course			POLS 2305 (or POLS 2385)	Can be POLS 2330, POLS 2340, POLS 2350	
			3	POLS 23XX or ECON 23XX	Gateway to Political Science Course			POLS 2305 (or POLS 2385)	Can be POLS 2330, POLS 2340, POLS 2350, or (ECON 2301/2302 but not both)	
			3	13XX - 43XX	Second Major or Minor course					
			3	13XX - 43XX	Second Major or Minor course					
16 Semester Total Hours										

CORE: The 2019-2020 list of core courses can be found at: www.utrgv.edu > Academics > Undergraduate > General Education Core
www.utrgv.edu/core

Symbols Key

Critical (!): sequence sensitive course.

Minimum Grade: A - Excellent; B - Good; C - Satisfactory; D - Below Average;
CR - Credit; P - Passing; S - Satisfactory.

General Education Core (GEC) Sections: 010 - Communication; 020 - Mathematics; 030 - Life and Physical Sciences; 040 - Language, Philosophy & Culture; 050 - Creative Arts; 060 - American History; 070 - Government/Political Science; 080 - Social and Behavioral Sciences; 090 - Applied Communication and Literacies; 090 - Humanities; 090 - Leadership; 090 - Science Labs; 090 - Interdisciplinary; 090 - Technologies; 090 - Language Diversity & Writing.

		H	Course #	Course Title	Min. Grade	GEC	Prerequisite	Additional Notes
THIRD YEAR	FALL	3	POLS 33XX/43XX	U.S. Govt./Politics - Institutions/State Subfield			POLS 2305 (or POLS 2385)	See Degree Plan for List of Courses. Note: POLS 3310, POLS 3311, and POLS 3319 have a prerequisite of both POLS 2305 and POLS 2306. Additionally, POLS 3319 requires acceptance into the Archer Center program.
		3	POLS 33XX/43XX	U.S. Govt./Politics - Groups/Behavior Subfield			POLS 2305 (or POLS 2385)	See Degree Plan for List of Courses
		3	POLS 33XX/43XX	World Politics Subfield			POLS 2305 (or POLS 2385)	See Degree Plan for List of Courses
		2	12XX - 42XX	Second Major or Elective course				
		3	33XX - 43XX	Second Major or Minor course				
			14 Semester Total Hours					
THIRD YEAR	SPRING	3	POLS 33XX/43XX	World Politics Subfield			POLS 2305 (or POLS 2385)	See Degree Plan for List of Courses
		3	POLS 33XX/43XX	Political Economy & Public Policy Subfield			POLS 2305 (or POLS 2385)	See Degree Plan for List of Courses
		3	POLS 33XX/43XX	Political Theory Subfield			POLS 2305 (or POLS 2385)	See Degree Plan for List of Courses
		3	13XX - 43XX	Second Major or Minor course				
		3	33XX - 43XX	Second Major or Minor course				
		15 Semester Total Hours						
		H	Course #	Course Title	Min. Grade	GEC	Prerequisite	Additional Notes
FOURTH YEAR	FALL	3	POLS 33/43XX	Advanced/Upper-Division Elective			POLS 2305 (or POLS 2385)	Can be any POLS Upper-Division Course or Internship. Note: POLS Internship courses and Archer courses have a prerequisite of both POLS 2305 (or POLS 2385) AND POLS 2306 (or 2386).
		3	POLS 33/43XX	Advanced/Upper-Division Elective			POLS 2305 (or POLS 2385)	Can be any POLS Upper-Division Course or Internship. Note: POLS Internship courses and Archer courses have a prerequisite of both POLS 2305 (or POLS 2385) AND POLS 2306 (or 2386).
		3	33XX - 43XX	Second Major or Advanced Elective				
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		3	33XX - 43XX	Second Major or Advanced Elective				
			15 Semester Total Hours					
FOURTH YEAR	SPRING	3	POLS 4370	Senior Research Seminar			POLS 2305 (or POLS 2385)	
		3	33XX - 43XX	Second Major or Advanced Elective				
		3	33XX - 43XX	Second Major or Advanced Elective				
		3	33XX - 43XX	Second Major or Advanced Elective				
		3	33XX - 43XX	Second Major or Advanced Elective				
		15 Semester Total Hours						

Graduation Requirements

- 1 Students must successfully complete a "Capstone Experience." This requirement may be satisfied with POLS 4370 Senior Research Seminar.
- 2 To obtain a Political Science degree, students must use their remaining 41 credit hours to obtain a minor and/or second major in a different discipline.

120 TOTAL HOURS

(54) TOTAL ADVANCED HOURS

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