



Political Science

Major Preparation Sheet 2017-2018

Where does my path start?

You will complete an Associate of Arts – Direct Transfer Agreement (AA-DTA) at Shoreline.

Use the AA -DTA Degree Planning Guide, with this sheet, to understand the requirements for graduation.

Once you complete your Shoreline degree, you can transfer to a four-year school to earn a baccalaureate degree in Political Science.

Political Science is also an excellent major for graduate studies in Public Administration, Public Policy, Law, Business and Education.

What is Political Science?

Are you interested in American politics? International affairs? Critical issues such as health, the environment, and civil rights? If so, you should consider studying political science. Political Science is the study of governments, public policies and political processes. Political Science uses both humanistic and social scientific perspectives to examine the ideal forms of government, and how power and resources are allocated in societies throughout the world.

Contemporary issues in Political Science: Democracy and Human Rights, Elections and Political Campaigns, Power, Violence and War, Social Movements and Justice, Government Institutions, Legitimacy and Authority, Political Culture, Political Parties and Interest Groups, Public Policy, and Globalization.

Where can I go for help?

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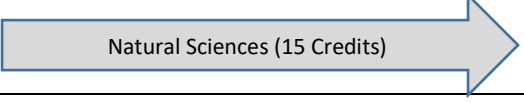
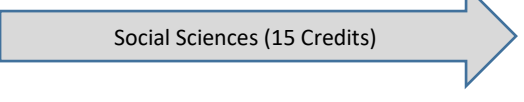
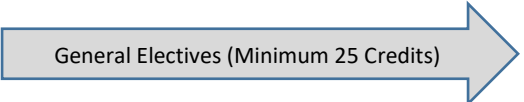
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What can I do with a Bachelor’s Degree in Political Science?

Students who major in Political Science gain the knowledge and skills that can be applied to a wide range of careers. For example, political scientists become lawyers, elected officials, city managers, lobbyists, public policy analysts, researchers, professors, mediators, policy planners, public relations specialists and journalists.

Potential employers include: Local, State and Federal Government, Political Parties and Campaigns, Political Action Committees, Law Firms, Law Enforcement Agencies, Colleges and Universities, Business and Industry, Foreign Service, International Organizations, Public Advocacy Groups, Non-Profit Organizations, Foundations, Newspapers, Radio and TV Stations. For more, please visit <http://www.shoreline.edu/counseling-center/career-counseling.aspx>.

What courses should I take?*

 <p>General Education Requirements (20 Credits)</p>	<p>Required: ENGL& 101; ENGL& 102; One course in Multicultural Understanding; One course in Quantitative/Symbolic Reasoning Recommended: MATH& 146</p>
 <p>Humanities (15 Credits)</p>	<p>Recommended: CMST &220; World Language if required for university admission or graduation.</p>
 <p>Natural Sciences (15 Credits)</p>	<p>Recommended: PHIL& 120</p>
 <p>Social Sciences (15 Credits)</p>	<p>Strongly Recommended: POLS& 101, 201, 202 Recommended: ECON& 201, 202, INTST 200, 201</p>
 <p>General Electives (Minimum 25 Credits)</p>	<p>Strongly Recommended: POLS& 203 Recommended: POLS 221; World Language if required for university admission or graduation.</p>

Where can I transfer and what does my chosen four-year school require?

Before choosing classes, become familiar with the four-year program where you want to apply: visit the website, email the department, and/or speak with a Shoreline advisor. Below are examples from Washington schools with different admissions and graduation requirements. Check with the school for world language requirements. (Non-native speakers of English are often exempt from this requirement.)

School	Transfer Information	School	Transfer Information
Central Washington University	http://tinyurl.com/jdpjra6	University of Puget Sound	http://tinyurl.com/h7yqx8s
Eastern Washington University	http://tinyurl.com/gqpzhng	University of Washington – Bothell	http://tinyurl.com/hm3uecl
Gonzaga University	http://tinyurl.com/7c9d6xh	University of Washington – Seattle	http://tinyurl.com/j778h7e
Northwest University	http://tinyurl.com/zygoljk	University of Washington – Tacoma	http://www.wvu.edu/vtc/
Pacific Lutheran University	http://tinyurl.com/j3pktl2	Washington State University – Pullman	http://tinyurl.com/z8vuwn9
Saint Martin’s University	http://tinyurl.com/z3kipcm	Western Washington University	http://tinyurl.com/zcdww66
Seattle Pacific University	http://tinyurl.com/z46xxr	Whitman College	http://tinyurl.com/z8vuwn9
Seattle University	http://tinyurl.com/zhyjv3s	Whitworth University	http://tinyurl.com/zcdww66
The Evergreen State College	http://tinyurl.com/zhyjv3s		

**** This unofficial guide is intended to support you as you prepare for your major. Please consult with an advisor and your chosen four-year school(s), as program and admissions requirements vary and may change without notice.**