

Political Management Sample Curriculum Plan

Here is the suggested political management curriculum that outlines a four-year program leading to a B.A. in Political Science with an emphasis in professional politics.

- Courses in **red** indicate courses required for the major.
- Courses in **blue** are components of the Political Management curriculum and different courses within the program can be taken.
- Courses in **green** represent elective classes of the student's own choice within the University's general education guidelines.

This schedule is simply a sample and not a required course of study. Twelve of the student's twenty-four free electives are filled with political management courses. Each political management student should consult with the political management advisor to design his/her specific degree program. For more information, please contact Dr. Chapman Rackaway by voice at 785.628.5391, or e-mail at crackawa@fhsu.edu.

Freshman Year			
Fall	CH	Spring	CH
English Composition I (ENG 101)	3	English Composition II (ENG 102)	3
American Government (POLS 101)	3	Modern World Civ. (HIST 111)	3
World Civ (HIST 110)	3	State and Local Gov. (POLS 103)	3
Gen. Ed. Humanities Elective	3	Intro. to Comp. Info. Sys. (CIS 101)	3
Fundamentals of Mathematics (MACS 101) or College Algebra (MACS 110)	3	Fundamentals of Oral Communication (COMM 100)	3
		Personal Wellness (HHP 200)	3
TOTAL HOURS FOR SEMESTER	15	TOTAL HOURS FOR SEMESTER	18

Sophomore Year			
Fall	CH	Spring	CH
Political Philosophy (PHIL 201)	3	Intro. to Public Admin. (POLS 310)	3
Language I with lab	4	Language II	3
Micro Economics (ECFI 201)	3	Macro Economics (ECFI 202)	3
Gen. Ed. Science Elective	3	Gen. Ed. Humanities Elective	3
World Geography (GEO 110) or World Lit & the Human Experience (ENG 125)	3	Introduction to International Relations (POLS 230)	3
		Elements of Statistics (MATH 250)	3
TOTAL HOURS FOR SEMESTER	16	TOTAL HOURS FOR SEMESTER	18

Junior Year			
Fall	CH	Spring	CH
Research Methods (POLS 455)	3	Political Behavior (POLS 652)	3
Political Parties (POLS 602)	3	Internship in Political Science (POLS 689) [Can also be taken in summer]	1
The Presidency (POLS 600) or The Congress (POLS 601)	3	Introduction to the Law (POLS 320)	3
Language III	3	Gen. Ed. Science Elective	3
Gen. Ed. Science Elective with lab	4	Gen. Ed. Humanities Elective	3
		Free Elective	3
TOTAL HOURS FOR SEMESTER	16	TOTAL HOURS FOR SEMESTER	16
Senior Year			
Fall	CH	Spring	CH
Seminar in Political Science (POLS 675)	3	Seminar in Political Science (POLS 675)	3
History of Political Theory (POLS 650)	3	Interest Groups and Lobbying (POLS 665) or Political Communication (POLS 662)	3
Free Electives	2-3	Senior Thesis (POLS 672)	3
Upper-Division IDS Elective	3	Free Elective	3
Political Campaign Management (POLS 660) [required]	3	Free Elective	3
TOTAL HOURS FOR SEMESTER	11 or 12	TOTAL HOURS FOR SEMESTER	15

Total Hours for degree - 124

Suggested Humanities Courses for Gen. Ed. Requirement.

FHSU's General Education Requirements provide that each student must take 9 hours from a selected list of courses in the Humanities. No more than 2 courses can come from any 1 area. Although all of the courses available are worthwhile courses, the following three courses are excellent preparation for a future career in professional politics:

1. Communication in Human Organizations (COMM 318)
2. General Logic (PHIL 100)
3. Multiculturalism in the U.S. (IDS 350)
4. Introduction to Ethics (PHIL 340)

Suggested Mathematics and Natural Sciences Courses for Gen. Ed. Requirement.

FHSU's General Education Requirements provide that each student must take 10 hours from a selected list of courses in the Mathematics and Natural Sciences. No more than 2 courses can come from any 1 area. One hour must be a laboratory. All of the courses available are worthwhile courses; however, the following two courses may be of particular interest to the political management student:

1. Elements of Physical Geography (GEOS 101)
2. Human Heredity (BIO 322) or Human Biology (BIO 121)
3. Calculus Methods (MATH 331)

Suggested Social and Behavioral Sciences Courses for Gen. Ed. Requirement.

FHSU's General Education Requirements provide that each student must take 9 hours from a selected list of courses in the Social and Behavioral Sciences. Students can choose to take any courses but the following would be of particular value to the future political professional.

1. Principles of Economics: Micro (ECFI 201)
2. Principles of Economics: Macro (ECFI 202)
3. General Psychology (PSY 100)
4. Social Psychology (PSY 340)