

Political Science Major Requirements for Students Entering before Fall 2008

1. American National Government (POL211 or POL201)
2. Intro to Comparative Politics, World Politics, OR Introduction to International Relations (POL212, POL202, OR POL203)

Important Note:

Students may not take **POL213: Government and Society** for major or minor credit!

3. **Seminar Requirement: 2 500-level Seminars.**

Six of the credits must come from two 500-level seminar courses offered by the University of Miami. This includes any 500-level seminar offered by the Department of Political Science or cross-listed with Political Science. The following 500 level courses are **not** seminars and do **not** fulfill this requirement:

- POL 520 Internship
- POL 521 Public Affairs Internship
- POL 563 Senior Honors Thesis (I)
- POL 564 Senior Honors Thesis (II)
- POL 599 Directed Readings

(Note that POL 599: Special Topics **is a seminar and does** fulfill this requirement.)

4. **Breadth Requirement: 1 course in 3 of the following 4 areas:**
 - a. American Politics (A)
 - b. Comparative Politics (C)
 - c. International Relations (I)
 - d. Public Policy, Administration, and Law (P)

To determine what category a class falls into, see here:

<http://www.as.miami.edu/politicalscience/undergraduate/courses>

5. A total of **30 credits** (21 taken in residence)

Important Notes:

Courses in political theory and methods, independent study, internships, and thesis preparation do not fulfill any distribution requirement. They all count toward the major, however.

All classes must be passed with a C- or above. „Credit only“ classes (with the exception of POL536 in Spring 2011 only) may not be counted toward the major or minor.

Classes can double-count. So for example, POL581: Comparative Political Economy fulfills the 500-level seminar requirement *and* the comparative politics requirement.

Political Science Advising Checklist Students Entering in Fall 2008

Courses Taken	Distribution of Courses for Majors
1. _____	POL211 or 201 _____
2. _____	POL212, 202, or 203: _____
3. _____	Seminar #1 _____
4. _____	Seminar #2 _____
5. _____ (Minors stop here)	Subfield #1: A C I P
6. _____	Subfield #2: A C I P
7. _____	Subfield #3: A C I P
8. _____	Note that directed readings, thesis preparation, and internship do not fulfill these requirements although they do count toward the major.
9. _____	
10. _____ (All other majors stop here)	
<p>Note that 21 (9) credits must be taken in residence for majors (minors).</p> <p>Note that POL213 does NOT count toward the major or minor!</p>	

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