# Political Science, BA

- Political Science, BA requires 120 credit hours.
- 36 of 120 credit hours must be taken at 300 level or higher.
- Students must have a 2.0 GPA in major, minor, and overall.
- No more than 6 credit hours of HPE may count in degree requirements.
- 12 of the last 18 credit hours must be taken at UAH, with an overall 25% of coursework taken at UAH.
- No more than 60 credit hours from a two-year school can be applied toward a UAH degree.
- For graduation application instructions, see here (http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/policies-procedures/application-graduation).

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**Fine Arts: Choose one**
- ARH 100  
  ARH SURV:ANCIENT-MEDIEVAL  
- ARH 101  
  ARH SURV:RENAISSANCE-MODERN  
- ARH 103  
  ARH SUR:NON-WESTERN TRADITIONS  
- ARS 160  
  DRAWING: FOUNDATIONS  
- MU 100  
  INTRO TO MUSIC LITERATURE  
- TH 122  
  THEATRE APPRECIATION

**Literature: Choose one or two**
- Students must have a two course sequence in either Literature or History.
  - EH 207  
    READINGS LITERATURE/CULTURE I  
  - EH 208  
    READINGS LITERATURE/CULTURE 2  
  - EH 242  
    MYTHOLOGY

**Humanities and Fine Arts: Choose one or two**
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- ARS 160  
  DRAWING: FOUNDATIONS  
- MU 100  
  INTRO TO MUSIC LITERATURE  
- TH 122  
  THEATRE APPRECIATION  
- CM 113  
  Intro to Rhetorical Communication

**Any WLC 100 or 200 level except for WLC 204**
- PHL 101  
  INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY  
- PHL 102  
  INTRO TO ETHICS  
- PHL 150  
  TECH, SCIENCE & HUMAN VALUES  
- PHL 201  
  INTRODUCTION TO LOGIC  
- WGS 200  
  INTRO WOMENS & GENDER STUDIES

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**AST 107**  
EXPLORING THE COSMOS II

**BYS 119**  
PRINCIPLES OF BIOLOGY

**BYS 120**  
ORGANISMAL BIOLOGY

**CH 101**  
INTRO TO CHEMISTRY

**CH 123**  
GENERAL CHEMISTRY II

**CH 105**  
INTRO CHEMISTRY LAB

**CH 126**  
GENERAL CHEMISTRY LAB II

**ESS 103**  
ENVIRONMENTAL EARTH SCIENCE

**ESS 111**  
CLIMATE AND GLOBAL CHANGE

**PH 100**  
CONCEPTUAL PHYSICS

**PH 101**  
GENERAL PHYSICS I

**PH 102**  
GENERAL PHYSICS II

**PH 111**  
GEN PHYSICS W/CALCULUS I

**PH 114**  
GENERAL PHYSICS LAB I

**PH 112**  
GEN PHYSICS W/CALC II

**PH 115**  
GENERAL PHYSICS LAB II

**PH 113/116**  
GEN PHYSICS W/CALC III

### History and Social and Behavioral Sciences

12 hours of History and Social and Behavioral Sciences chosen from the following categories below

**History:** Choose one or two

3-6

- Students must have a sequence in either History or Literature

**HY 103**  
WORLD HISTORY TO 1500

**HY 104**  
WORLD HISTORY SINCE 1500

**HY 221**  
UNITED STATES TO 1877

**HY 222**  
UNITED STATES SINCE 1877

**Social and Behavioral Sciences:** Choose two or three

6-9

- ECN 142  
PRINC OF MACROECONOMICS

- ECN 143  
PRINC OF MICROECONOMICS

- GS 200  
GLOBAL SYSTEMS AND CULTURES

- GY 105  
WORLD REGIONAL GEOGRAPHY

- GY 110  
PRINCIPLES OF HUMAN GEOGRAPHY

- PY 101  
GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY I

- PY 201  
LIFE-SPAN DEVELOPMENT

- SOC 100  
INTRO TO SOCIOLOGY

- SOC 102  
ANALYSIS OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS

- SOC 105  
INTRO CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY

- SOC 150  
SOCIOLOGICAL PERSP TECH & SCI

### Pre-Professional

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Any WLC 100 or 200 level except for WLC 204

Pre-professional electives: Choose 7 credit hours from the approved list above in Humanities, Fine Arts, Mathematics, History, Science, or Social and Behavioral Sciences.

### Political Science Courses

36

- **PSC 101**  
INTRO TO AMERICAN GOVERNMENT

- **PSC 102**  
INTRO TO COMPARATIVE POLITICS

- **PSC 103**  
INTRO TO STATE & LOCAL GOVT

- **PSC 260**  
INTRODUCTION TO INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

- **PSC 330**  
CLASSICAL POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

- or **PSC 332**  
MODERN POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

- **PSC 484**  
SENIOR SEMINAR

- **PSC Elective 100+**

- Choose four PSC Electives 300+

- **PY 300**  
PSYCHOLOGICAL STATISTICS
or SOC 303

STATISTICS/SOCIAL SCIENCES

Minor Courses 18

Elective Courses

Elective hours vary by program, see advisor.

Total Semester Hours 120

Students with a major in Political Science must choose either a minor from another discipline or 21 semester hours of cognate studies involving courses from two or more disciplines, of which 12 semester hours must be in upper-level courses with a minimum of six semester hours from each discipline. Students are advised to officially declare a major and to obtain a Program of Study by the beginning of the sophomore year, if not before. Students may initiate a Program of Study by meeting with an advisor in the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences (Morton Hall 336). After the Program of Study is completed, a Political Science academic advisor will be assigned to the student and will meet with him or her in the Program of Study development process. Transfer students are advised to consult with the chair of the department before scheduling courses.

JUMP Program in Political Science

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or HY 104 \hspace{1cm} WORLD HISTORY SINCE 1500

Area V Courses \hspace{1cm} 6

**Term Semester Hours:** \hspace{1cm} 15

**Year 3**

**Fall**

SOC 303 \hspace{1cm} STATISTICS/SOCIAL SCIENCES \hspace{1cm} 3
or PY 300 \hspace{1cm} PSYCHOLOGICAL STATISTICS
HY 103 \hspace{1cm} WORLD HISTORY TO 1500 \hspace{1cm} 3
or HY 104 \hspace{1cm} WORLD HISTORY SINCE 1500

Area V Course \hspace{1cm} 3

PSC 330 \hspace{1cm} CLASSI POLITI PHILOSOPHY \hspace{1cm} 3
or PSC 332 \hspace{1cm} MODERN POLITICAL PHILOSO

Minor Course \hspace{1cm} 3

**Term Semester Hours:** \hspace{1cm} 15

**Spring**

PSC 300+ Courses \hspace{1cm} 6
Minor Courses \hspace{1cm} 6
Elective \hspace{1cm} 3

**Term Semester Hours:** \hspace{1cm} 15

**Year 4**

**Fall**

PSC 484 \hspace{1cm} SENIOR SEMINAR \hspace{1cm} 3
PSC 300+ Courses \hspace{1cm} 6
Minor Courses \hspace{1cm} 6

**Term Semester Hours:** \hspace{1cm} 15

**Spring**

Minor Courses \hspace{1cm} 6
PSC Elective \hspace{1cm} 3
Electives \hspace{1cm} 6

**Term Semester Hours:** \hspace{1cm} 15

**Total Semester Hours:** \hspace{1cm} 120