

School of Social & Behavioral Sciences

B.A. POLITICAL SCIENCE - General				
Academic Year		2025-2026	64 Program Credits	
PROGRAM COURSES (40 credits)			COGNATE COURSES (24 credits)	
POLS 2100 Introduction to American Politics	(4)		CIST 1206 Statistics	(4)
POLS 3150 Political Methodology	(4)		Cognate* (includes more POLS Electives)	(4)
POLS 4695 Senior Seminar	(4)		Cognate* (includes more POLS Electives)	(4)
POLS elective	(4)		Cognate* (includes more POLS Electives)	(4)
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POLS elective	(4)		*Cognates: ANTH, CRIM, ECON, GERO, HIST, PHIL 1203, PHIL 1204, PSYC, POLS, SOCY, SOWK; the program will additionally consider other related courses, with preceptor approval	
POLS elective	(4)			
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POLS 2100 must be completed before earning 76 credits. CIST 1206 is a prerequisite for POLS 3150. POLS 3150 should be completed before earning 95 credits and is a prerequisite for POLS 4695.				
POLS Electives should be drawn from the areas of American politics, law, international relations, comparative politics, public policy and administration, and political theory. Students should also consider studying abroad for a full semester of credits and internships in POLS or WASH for up to 12 credits of POLS, Cognate, or ASD requirements.				
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B.A. POLITICAL SCIENCE - International Affairs				
Academic Year		2025-2026	64 Program Credits	
PROGRAM COURSES (40 credits)			COGNATE COURSES (24 credits)	
POLS 2100 Introduction to American Politics	(4)		CIST 1206 Statistics	(4)
POLS 3150 Political Methodology	(4)		Optional Concentration Cognate	(4)
POLS 4695 Senior Seminar	(4)		Cognate* (includes more POLS Electives)	(4)
POLS 2160 Introduction to Comparative Politics	(4)		Cognate* (includes more POLS Electives)	(4)
POLS 2170 Introduction to International Relations	(4)		Cognate* (includes more POLS Electives)	(4)
POLS Concentration Core	(4)		Cognate* (includes more POLS Electives)	(4)
POLS Concentration Core	(4)		International Affairs Concentration Core: HIST/POLS 2146 Indian Ocean History POLS 2140 Intro to Political Theory POLS 2274 US Foreign Policy POLS 3221 Constitutional Law POLS 3313 The International Order POLS 3345 Politics of Immigration POLS 3360 Comparative Politics of Human Rights POLS 3628 Contentious Politics in Comparative Perspective POLS 3658 Politics in Film and Literature POLS 3645 Politics of Transitional Societies POLS 3662 International Political Economy POLS 3800/4800 Independent Study	
POLS Concentration Core or POLS Elective	(4)			
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POLS Electives should be drawn from the areas of international relations, comparative politics, American politics, law, public policy and administration, and political theory. Students should also consider studying abroad for a full semester of credits and internships in POLS or WASH for up to 12 credits of POLS, Cognate, or ASD requirements.			SOBL Cognates: ANTH, CRIM, ECON, GERO, HIST, PHIL 1203, PHIL 1204, PSYC, POLS, SOCY, SOWK; the program will additionally consider other related courses, with preceptor approval	
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B.A. POLITICAL SCIENCE - Pre-Law					
Academic Year		2025-2026		64 Program Credits	
PROGRAM COURSES (40 credits)			COGNATE COURSES (24 credits)		
POLS 2100* Introduction to American Politics	(4)		CIST 1206 Statistics		(4)
POLS 3150 Political Methodology	(4)		Cognate*		(4)
POLS 4695 Senior Seminar	(4)		Cognate*		(4)
2 POLS Electives POLS 0000-4999	(8)		Cognate* (includes more POLS Electives)		(4)
Required Pre-Law Courses (Two out of Three)			Cognate* (includes more POLS Electives)		(4)
POLS 2215 Law School Basics	(8)		Cognate* (includes more POLS Electives)		(4)
POLS 3225 Civil Liberties			Pre-Law Options in Cognate: PHIL 1204 Symbolic Logic PLAW 2120 Business Law I PLAW 3110 The Legal, Social and Ethical Environment of Business PLAW 3630 Health Law and Policy SUST 3300/POLS 3300 Environmental Policy		
POLS 3221 Constitutional Law					
POLS Pre-Law Course 1	(4)				
POLS Pre-Law Course 2	(4)				
POLS Pre-Law Course 3	(4)				
Pre-Law Course Options in POLS: POLS 2215 Law School Basics POLS 3225 Civil Liberties POLS 3221 Constitutional Law POLS 2190 Introduction to Public Policy POLS 2211 Law and the Legislative Process POLS 3123 Judicial Process POLS 3228 Public Education & the Law POLS 3285 The First Amendment POLS 3313 The International Order POLS 3360 Comparative Politics of Human Rights POLS 3610 Voting in America POLS 3612 Gender and the Law POLS 3621 Advanced Constitutional Litigation WASH 3620 or 3940 Washington Internship* POLS 3900 Political Science State/Local Internship* POLS 4800 Independent Study (only those in the Law or the Judiciary) * Approved elective			*Cognates: ANTH, CRIM, ECON, GERO, HIST, PHIL 1203, PHIL 1204, PSYC, POLS, SOCY, SOWK; the program will additionally consider other related courses, with preceptor approval		
POLS Electives should be drawn from the areas of American politics, law, international relations, comparative politics, public policy and administration, and political theory. Students should also consider studying abroad for a full semester of credits and internships in POLS or WASH for up to 12 credits of POLS, Cognate, or ASD requirements.					

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BA POLITICAL SCIENCE - Social Studies Education*					
Academic Year		2025-2026		66-72 Program Credits	
PROGRAM COURSES (40 credits)			COGNATE COURSES (24 credits)		
POLS 2100 Introduction to American Politics	(4)		ECON 1200 Introduction to Macroeconomics	(4)	
POLS 3150 Political Methodology	(4)		Developmental Psychology Requirement**	(4/12)	
POLS 4695 Senior Seminar	(4)		CIST 1206 Statistics or SOBL Cognate***	(4)	
Upper-Level POLS elective	(4)		EDUC 4990 Final Clinical Practice in Education	(12)	
Upper-Level POLS elective	(4)		**Developmental Psychology Requirement: Students may take either - EDUC 2231 Development of the Learner OR 3 courses in PSYC: PSYC 1100 Introduction to Psychology, PSYC 3323 Childhood & Adolescence, AND PSYC 3391 Educational Psychology		
POLS elective	(4)		***SOBL Cognates: ANTH, CRIM, ECON, EDUC 2231, GERO, INTC 2610, PSYC, POLS, SOCY, SOWK, SUST 330, WASH (CIST 1206 may also count in ASD)		
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The NJ Department of Education requires a 3.0 cumulative GPA to be certified. All grades for courses counting towards certification must be a C or better.					
POLS Electives should be drawn from the areas of American politics, law, international relations, comparative politics, public policy and administration, and political theory. Students should also consider studying abroad for a full semester of credits and internships in POLS or WASH for up to 12 credits of POLS, Cognate, or ASD requirements.					
*Education concentrations include additional requirements not listed here. All courses should be selected in close consultation with both POLS and Education faculty advisors; requirements include specific At-Some-Distance courses not listed here.					
Students should consult with their assigned faculty advisors in Political Science and Education and/or the Center for Academic Advising on a regular basis to ensure that all graduation requirements have been met.					
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POLITICAL SCIENCE MINOR				
Academic Year		2025-2026		20 Credits
Each student should choose elective minor courses in consultation with their preceptor/advisor.				
POLS 1000-2000 level	(4)		POLS 3000+	(4)
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POLS any level (1000-4999)	(4)		*No more than one four-credit internship may be counted for the minor.	
Students should consult with their assigned faculty advisor and/or the Center for Academic Advising on a regular basis to ensure that all graduation requirements have been met.				
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BA POLITICAL SCIENCE + MA American Studies				
Academic Year		2025-2026	65-67 Program Credits	
PROGRAM COURSES (40 credits)			COGNATE COURSES (25-27) credits)	
POLS 2100 Introduction to American Politics	(4)		CIST 1206 Statistics	(4)
POLS 3150 Political Methodology	(4)		Cognate* (includes more POLS Electives)	(4)
POLS 4695 Senior Seminar	(4)		Cognate* (includes more POLS Electives)	(4)
POLS elective	(4)		Cognate* (includes more POLS Electives)	(4)
POLS elective	(4)		AMST 5XXX	(3 or 4)
POLS elective	(4)		AMST 5XXX	(3 or 4)
POLS elective	(4)		AMST 5001 Research Methods in AMS	(3)
POLS elective	(4)		*Cognates: ANTH, CRIM, ECON, GERO, HIST, PHIL 1203, PHIL 1204, PSYC, POLS, SOCY, SOWK; the program will additionally consider other related courses, with preceptor approval	
POLS elective	(4)			
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POLS Electives should be drawn from the areas of American politics, law, international relations, comparative politics, public policy and administration, and political theory. Students should also consider internships in POLS or WASH for up to 12 credits of POLS, Cognate, or ASD requirements.				
Students must complete 96+ credits and have a 3.2 GPA in their major prior to their senior year to remain eligible.				
Students should consult with their assigned faculty advisors in Political Science and American Studies and/or the Center for Academic Advising on a regular basis to ensure that all graduation requirements have been met.				
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General Studies & At-Some-Distance Requirements				
Academic Year		2025-2026	64 Credits	
25% of all the courses a student takes at Stockton must be General Studies courses. For all first-year students and transfer students with fewer than 64 credits (B.A. degree), the following courses are required:				
GENERAL STUDIES (32 credits)			AT SOME DISTANCE (32 credits)	
General Arts and Humanities (GAH)	(4)		Any General Studies courses or courses that are not in the Major or Cognate areas	(4)
General Arts and Humanities (GAH)&	(4)			(4)
General Interdisciplinary (GEN)	(4)			(4)
General Natural Science and Mathematics (GNM)	(4)			(4)
General Natural Science and Mathematics (GNM)	(4)			(4)
General Social Science (GSS)	(4)			(4)
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General Integration and Synthesis (GIS)*	(4)			(4)
* Must be taken in junior or senior year		We strongly recommend using this requirement to add a Minor or Certificate		
REQUIREMENTS TO FULFILL WITHIN THE CREDITS REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION:				
ATTRIBUTES (4 courses)			WRITING REQUIREMENT (4 courses)**	
1 Arts (A) course			1 W1 course (any level)	
1 Historical Consciousness (H) course			1 W1 or W2 course (any level)	
1 International/Multicultural (I) course			1 W1 or W2 course (any level)	
1 Values Ethics (V) course			1 W1 or W2 course 3000-level	
RACE AND/OR RACISM EDUCATION REQUIREMENT (2 courses)			QUANTITATIVE REASONING REQUIREMENT (3 courses)***	
1 R1 course (any level)			1 Q1 course (any level)	
1 R1 or R2 course (any level)			1 Q1 or Q2 course (any level)	
		1 Q2 course (any level)		
**All students must earn a C or better in 4 writing-designated courses. Two W1 courses may be transferred.				
*** Two Q1 courses may be transferred.				

Total Credit Hours: 128