

Program Completion Plan (Eight Semester Plan)

Department: _____ Political Science _____ **Degree:** _____ BA _____
Program/Major: _____ International Studies _____
Track/Emphasis: _____ N/A _____
Does this program require a minor? (Yes/No) _____ Yes _____

Important program information in the online *Undergraduate Bulletin*:

UCA Core Requirements: <http://uca.edu/ubulletin2014/general-policies-information/uca-core>
Degree Requirements: <http://uca.edu/ubulletin2014/general-policies-information/degree-requirements>
Program Description: <http://uca.edu/ubulletin2014/colleges-departments-programs/college-of-liberal-arts/departments-political-science/>
Course Descriptions: <http://uca.edu/ubulletin2014/courses/>

This degree program requires a total of **120** semester credit hours, including at least **40** upper-division credit hours.

Comparable courses in the Arkansas Course Transfer System (ACTS) are cross-referenced in the ACTS column of each semester block below; a [core link](http://uca.edu/go/ubulletin2014-ldcore/) (<http://uca.edu/go/ubulletin2014-ldcore/>) takes the user to the *Undergraduate Bulletin's* UCA Core page, where UCA Core options and ACTS course numbers are listed in full; an [acts link](#) takes the user to the *Undergraduate Bulletin's* ACTS page (<http://uca.edu/go/acts>) for additional information and a full UCA-ACTS crosswalk.

Year 1

Fall – Semester 1 (credit hours: 15/16)

SUBJ	NUM	TITLE	SCH	ACTS
WRTG	1310	Introduction to College Writing	3	ENGL1013
PSCI	1330	U.S. Government & Politics ¹	3	PLSC2003
		Foreign Language ²	3	acts link
		UCA Core course (Critical Inquiry: Natural Science OR MATH 1360/MATH 1390) ³	3/4	core link
		UCA Core course ³	3	core link

Spring – Semester 2 (credit hours: 15/16)

SUBJ	NUM	TITLE	SCH	ACTS
WRTG ENGL	1320 1320	Academic Writing and Research or Interdisciplinary Writing and Research or Other approved alternative	3	ENGL1023 ENGL1023
		UCA Core course (Critical Inquiry: Natural Science OR MATH 1360/MATH 1390) ³	3/4	core link
		IS required course (additional semester of foreign language) ⁴	3	
		UCA Core course ³	3	core link
		UCA Core course ³	3	core link

Year 2**Fall – Semester 3 (credit hours: 15)**

SUBJ	NUM	TITLE	SCH	ACTS
PSCI		IS core required course	3	
		UCA Core course ³	3	core link
		UCA Core course ³	3	core link
		UCA Core course ³	3	core link
		General elective	3	

Spring – Semester 4 (credit hours: 15)

SUBJ	NUM	TITLE	SCH	ACTS
PSCI		IS core required course	3	
		UCA Core course ³	3	core link
		General elective	3	
		General elective	3	
		Minor elective ⁵	3	

Year 3**Fall – Semester 5 (credit hours: 15)**

SUBJ	NUM	TITLE	SCH	ACTS
PSCI		IS core required course	3	
		IS concentration course ⁶	3	
		Minor elective ⁵	3	
		Minor elective ⁵	3	
		General elective	3	

Spring – Semester 6 (credit hours: 15)

SUBJ	NUM	TITLE	SCH	ACTS
		IS concentration course ⁶	3	
		IS concentration course ⁶	3	
		Minor elective ⁵	3	
		Minor elective ⁵	3	
		General elective	3	

Year 4**Fall – Semester 7 (Credit hours: 15)**

SUBJ	NUM	TITLE	SCH	ACTS
		IS concentration course ⁶	3	
		IS concentration course ⁶	3	
		Minor elective ⁵	3	
		Minor elective ⁵	3	
		General elective	3	

Spring – Semester 8 (Credit hours: 13)

SUBJ	NUM	TITLE	SCH	ACTS
		IS concentration course ⁶	3	
		Minor elective ⁵	3	
		General elective	3	
		General elective	3	
		General elective	1	

 SIGNED – DEPARTMENT CHAIR

 DATE

 SIGNED – COLLEGE DEAN

 DATE

To be completed by the advisor when an Eight-Semester Plan is accepted by the student:

If applicable, has student selected a minor? Type “x” as appropriate. _____ No _____ Yes

If “yes,” specify: _____

Notes

¹ PSCI 1330 is a prerequisite for all upper-division Political Science courses and it satisfies the American History & Government requirement in the UCA Core.

² Students with no previous experience with a foreign language may need to enroll in up to six hours of lower-level instruction to prepare for this requirement. These courses are not included in this plan of study. Please note that such need voids the guaranteed Eight-Semester Plan.

The Academic Advising Center and the Department of World Languages, Literatures, and Cultures recommend that students complete the foreign language requirement as early as possible in their program in order not to lose fluency gained in high school.

³ See appropriate choices, alternative, or substitutions under “UCA Core” in the *Undergraduate Bulletin*. During the first year, a student must complete a UCA Core course in Critical Inquiry, Diversity, or Responsible Living, designated as a First-Year Seminar (FYS). A lab science (BIOL 1400 or a Physical Science) and MATH 1360/MATH 1390 should be taken in the first year if possible. Students will also have to complete 6-12 credit-hours of upper-division Core courses designated as Critical Inquiry, Diversity, Communication, and Responsible Living.

⁴ The program in International Studies requires 3 credit hours of a foreign language beyond that required for the BA.

⁵ This Program Completion Plan includes 24 hours in a minor field of study. Minor requirements range from 15-31 credit hours, so students will need to adapt the number of general elective and minor elective credit hours in this plan as needed, depending upon the chosen field. Given a student’s choice of minor and special degree requirements, the total number of credit hours taken may exceed the total number required to complete the program.

⁶ International Studies has been divided into three concentrations: (1) International Politics & Diplomacy, (2) International Political Economy, and (3) Regional Studies. Students must complete a minimum of eighteen hours of upper-division elective courses within their selected concentration: six courses at the 3000-level or above from one of the three International Studies concentrations, including at least two courses at the 3000-level or above from the political science offerings.