Bachelor of Arts in Political Science -- 120 Credits

JPS-BA (RG 0294)

Effective August 2025

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (RG 6828)

REQUIRED COURSES (RQ 3196)

Foundational Courses		CR	Satisfied/Term	
Engcmp 0005	Composition 1	3		
Engcmp 0006	Composition 2	3		
CommRc 0052	Public Speaking	3		
Basic Algebra or Placement Test				
Math 0001	Algebra 1	3		
Quantitative Reasoning (QR) - 1 Course				
Note - a student cannot test out of their QR requirement.				
		3		

FREE ELECTIVES

Free electives are the balance of credits required for graduation (120) that are not used to satisfy competencies, knowledge areas, major requirements, electives, or any related area required by the department.

	CR	Satisfied/Term	

WORLDS OF KNOWLEDGE

Aesthetic and Creative Expression

Subject	Number	Course Title	CR	Satisfied/Term	
			3		
			3		

Global History & Culture

Subject	Number	Course Title	CR	Satisfied/Term	
			3		
			3		

Societies & Civics

Subject	Number	Course Title	CR	Satisfied/Term	
			3		
			3		

Science & Nature

Subject	Number	Course Title	CR	Satisfied/Term	
			3		
			3		

Follow-Up Courses

Subject	Number	Course Title	CR	Satisfied/Term	
			3		
			3		

Each student must take 2 courses in each World of Knowledge. The two courses taken within each World must be from different subjects. A student must take two additional "Follow-Up" courses from any World.

>The minimum number of courses taken in the Worlds must be 10.

>The Follow-Up courses may repeat a subject previously taken in a World.

>A student cannot use a major required Subject course in one of the Worlds.

>For example: A Biology student cannot use BIOL 0110 to fulfill a requirement in the Science and Nature World.

>Students cannot use a course to count both in their QR requirement and one of the Worlds.

>Students can choose QR and Worlds of Knowledge courses from published course lists.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (RG 0294)

Political Science Required (RQL 0872-10)

(4 courses from the following)		CR	Satisfied/Term	
PS 0206	American Political Process	3		
PS 0210	National Policymaking	3		
PS 0302	Comparative Politics	3		
PS 0501	World Politics	3		
PS 0601	Political Ideologies	3		
Requirement Satisfied		**12**		

Senior Seminar (RQL 872-20)

		CR	Satisfied/Term	
PS 1700	Political Science Research	3		
Requirement Satisfied		**3**		

Electives (RQ 0874)

5 Political Sci courses - 3 must be 1000+ level

	CR	Satisfied/Term	
PS (any)	3		
PS (any)	3		
PS (1000+)	3		
PS (1000+)	3		
PS (1000+)	3		
Requirement Satisfied	**15**		

Methodology Requirement (RQ 1090)

Choose one of the following options		CR	Satisfied/Term	
Soc 0300	Social Research Methods	3		
Stat 1020	Social Statistics	3		
Stat 1040	Stats for Bus & Econ	3		
Requirement Satisfied		**3**		

(RQL 3144-20 thru 70)

Social Science Electives - (15 credits)

Select one course from each of the 5 disciplines		CR	Satisfied/Term	
Criminal Justice				
Crim 0200	Corrections			
Crim 0715	Intro to Criminal Justice			
Crim 0725	Criminal Court Proccedure			
Crim 0726	Digital Age Crime and Justice			
Economics				
Econ 0105	Intro to Microeconomic Theory			
Econ 0115	Intro to Macroeconomic Theory			
Geoscience and the Environment				
Geo 0130	Economic Geography			
Geo 0140	Urban Development			
Geo 0200	Earth and People			
Geo 0320	Geography of the US			
Geo 0800	Politicial Geography			
History				
Hist 0120	Western Civilization 1			
Hist 0130	Western Civilization 2			
Hist 0610	US to 1877			
Hist 0620	US 1877 to Present			
Sociology				
Soc 0070	Social Problems			
Soc 0100	Intro to Sociology			
Requirement Satisfied		**15**		

Additional Social Science (RQL 3144-80)

9 credits from any Social Science area
(except SocSci 1910,Crim 0100, 1700, 1900 or Stats)
(Acceptable GEO courses - See JSOC Website)

	CR	Satisfied/Term	
	3		
	3		
	3		
Requirement Satisfied	**9**		

MGPA (RQ 0884)
Major 50% (RQ 1089)

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

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