

**B.A. in Political Science Degree Requirements**  
**The Department of Political Science, Florida Atlantic University**

**A student pursuing a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science must meet the following requirements:**

1. All baccalaureate degree requirements, including the foreign language requirement [check the Degree Requirements section of the University Catalog or the political science website]. Students who enter FAU with **fewer than 30 credits** must complete **Introductory Statistics (STA 2023)**.
2. Complete a **total of 36 credits in political science** with a grade of "C" or better.

A. Complete the following required courses (nine credits):

_____ Government of the USA	POS 2041	(3 credits)
_____ Comparative Politics	CPO 3003	(3 credits)
_____ Research Methods	POS 3703	(3 credits)

**B. Complete 27 credits of upper-division coursework, with at least:**

**9 credits** from **Section A:** "American Politics, Political Theory, and Public Policy" and **6 credits** from **Section B:** "World Politics".

**Section A: American Politics, Political Theory and Public Policy**

√	Course Title	Course Number	# of credits
	Issues in American Politics	POS 3033	3
	Florida Politics and Government	POS 3182	3
	Political Film and Fiction	POS 3258	3
	Law and American Society	POS 3691	3
	Women and the Law	POS 3693	3
	U.S. Immigration Policy	POS 4024	3
	Urban Politics	POS 4145	3
	Public Opinion and American Politics	POS 4204	3
	Media in Politics	POS 4235	3
	Campaigns and Elections	POS 4275	3
	Religion and American Politics	POS 4291	3
	U.S. Presidency	POS 4413	3
	U.S. Congress	POS 4424	3
	Political Parties and Interest Groups	POS 4453	3
	Constitutional Law: Government Powers and Limits	POS 4603	3
	Constitutional Law: Civil Rights and Liberties	POS 4604	3
	The Judicial Process	POS 4609	3
	Politics of Community Development	POS 4623	3
	Special Topics	POS 4931	3
	Masterworks in Political Theory	POT 4042	3
	American Political Thought	POT 4204	3
	Special Topics	POT 4932	3
	Women and Politics	PUP 3323	3
	Policy Making and Administration	PUP 4004	3
	Policy Analysis	PUP 4008	3
	Government and the Economy	PUP 4710	3
	Directed Independent Study*	POS 4905	1-3
	Senior Research Project*	POS 4910	3
	Internship*	POS 4941	1-3

\*These classes are considered part of Section A or Section B, depending on the topic of the study or internship placement.

## Section B: World Politics

√	Course Title	Course Number	# of credits
	Religions and World Politics	CPO 3761	3
	Global Development and Inequality of Nations	CPO 4033	3
	Comparative European Politics	CPO 4042	3
	Politics of the European Union	CPO 4101	3
	Latin American Politics	CPO 4303	3
	Comparative Politics: Middle East	CPO 4403	3
	Comparative Islamist Movements	CPO 4424	3
	Asia Pacific Rim Politics	CPO 4502	3
	Comparative Politics: Russia and Eastern Europe	CPO 4633	3
	Comparative Gender Politics	CPO 4710	3
	Comparative Politics of Ethnic Conflict	CPO 4724	3
	Special Topics	CPO 4932	3
	American Foreign Policy	INR 3102	3
	International Law: Foundations and Institutions	INR 3403	3
	International Law of Peace and Diplomacy	INR 3413	3
	International Law of Armed Conflict	INR 3433	3
	International Organization	INR 3502	3
	International Political Economy	INR 3702	3
	War and Peace	INR 4006	3
	International System	INR 4081	3
	Global Environmental Politics and Politics	INR 4350	3
	Advanced Diplomacy	INR 4503	3
	Special Topics	INR 4932	3
	Directed Independent Study*	POS 4905	1-3
	Senior Research Project*	POS 4910	3
	Internship*	POS 4941	1-3

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### **Minor in Political Science:**

A minor in Political Science requires a minimum of 15 credits (12 of which must be taken at FAU) in Political Science courses, including POS 2041 The Government of the U.S. or INR 2002 Introduction to World Politics or equivalent courses, and 4 upper-division courses (12 credits) with a grade of "C" or better.

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