

The University of South Dakota
Major Credit Hour count: 36
Major: Political Science, B.S.



[2020-2021 Academic Catalog]

<u>Year / Semester</u>	SGR/Major Requirement	<u>Cr Hrs</u>	<u>Year / Semester</u>	SGR/Major Requirement	<u>Cr Hrs</u>
<u>First Year - 1st Semester</u>			<u>First Year - 2nd Semester</u>		
ENGL 101 Composition I	SGR 1	3	POLS 100 American Government	SGR 3+Major	3
Mathematics	SGR 5	4	POLS 141 or 250	Major	3
Fine Arts	SGR 4	3	ENGL 210 Introduction to Literature	BS	3
POLS 101 Introduction to Political Science	Major, BS	3	Additional Mathematics	BS	3
First Year Seminar		1	SPCM 101 Fundamentals of Speech	SGR 2	3
		Semester Credit Hours:			Semester Credit Hours:
		14			15
<u>Second Year - 1st Semester</u>			<u>Second Year - 2nd Semester</u>		
POLS 202 Writing & Research in POLS*	SGR 1, M	3	POLS 320 Public Administration	Major, BS	3
Additional Mathematics	BS	3	POLS 205 Info Literacy in Soc. Sci.**	Major	3
Natural Science	SGR 6	4	Natural Science	SGR 6	4
Humanities	SGR 4	3	Minor	BS	3
Minor	BS	3	Social Science (non-POLS)	SGR 3	3
		Semester Credit Hours:			Semester Credit Hours:
		16			16
<u>Third Year - 1st Semester</u>			<u>Third Year - 2nd Semester</u>		
POLS Pols/Inst Course	Major	3	POLS Pub Admin/Pub Policy Course	Major	3
POLS Elective	Major	3	POLS Elective	Major	3
Additional Science	BS	4	Elective		3
Elective		3	Minor	BS	3
Minor	BS	3	Additional Science	BS	4
		Semester Credit Hours:			Semester Credit Hours:
		16			16
<u>Fourth Year - 1st Semester</u>			<u>Fourth Year - 2nd Semester</u>		
POLS Comp Pols/Int Rel Course	Major	3	POLS 489 Capstone**	Major	3
Minor	BS	6	Minor	BS	3
Elective		6	Elective		6
		Semester Credit Hours:			Semester Credit Hours:
		15			12
					Total Major Requirements
					120

Notes:

*POLS 202 also meets the SGR #1 Written Communication requirement for ENG 201.

**POLS/CJUS double majors take either the POLS course or the CJUS 205 information literacy course, but not both. POLS/CJUS double majors also take either the POLS course or the CJUS 489 capstone, but not both. The combined POLS/CJUS double major must equal 60 total credits.

No more than 3 credits of internship may count toward the major.

***Students must complete at least one elective in each of three areas: American politics/institutions, public policy/public affairs, and international relations/comparative