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With a B.A. in Political Science, you will be prepared to apply what you learn in class to solving real-world problems through analysis, activism, advocacy, and civic engagement.

Studying political science at GSU puts you at the center of the world. Your focus becomes global. Your understanding of current events and trends increases and your analytical skills are developed.

Outstanding Preparation

As an undergraduate in Political Science at GSU, your studies will emphasize civic and community engagement. Your coursework centers on American Government and Policy, Comparative Political Analysis, International and Global Politics, and Political Theory, all with a social justice emphasis.

In each area of study, you will understand the interdependence of social, economic, and governmental structures, the impact of government action and/or inaction, the creation and enactment of governmental policies, and the influence of the private sector on government and vice a versa.

Choice of Careers

As a graduate, you will have the practical skills for employment in public service, political advocacy, and the private sector. Graduates with this degree have careers in government and criminal justice, as legal assistants and writers, and with political parties, lobbying groups, research organizations, non-profits, international business, and public interest groups. You will also acquire the theoretical understanding necessary for graduate work in the social science disciplines, education, and the legal profession.

Unlimited Opportunity

GSU offers superior educational opportunity and professional, quality degree programs at an affordable tuition rate. GSU's outstanding faculty and real-world curriculum prepare graduates to meet the demands of the future.

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Degree Requirements

Students must meet all university requirements for a bachelor's degree.

General Education Requirement (37-41 Hours)

See Bachelor's Degree Requirements for general education requirements.

Required Courses (21 Hours)

- POLS - 2100 American National Government (3) *
- POLS - 2101 Principles of Political Science (3) *
- POLS - 2950 Transformation of Global System (3)
- POLS - 3150 Comparative Political Analysis (3) *
- POLS - 4600 Political Theory (3)
- POLS - 4990 Political Struggle: Empowerment and Change (3)
- SOSC - 4500 Research Methods in the Social Sciences (3)

NOTE: Courses with an * may be substituted with a lower-division course.

Selectives (18 Hours)

Students, with the assistance of their advisor, will select an additional 18 hours of courses relevant to the four major sub-fields of the program, i.e. American Politics and Policy, Comparative Political Analysis, International and Global Politics, Social Justice and Civic Engagement. This may be done with the degree of generalization and specialization that best suits the student's personal and professional goals. It is also recommended that students who want to enrich their undergraduate education consider registering with the University Honors Program.

Electives (44 Hours)

Total - 120 Hours

