

Advising Guides for Freshman & Sophomores

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science

Students can choose any cohort with this major. Civic Engagement is the best option. Refer to the document “General Education Requirements for Freshman and Sophomore Cohorts” for details on the required general education courses for each cohort. All cohort courses must be taken at Governors State University. Students with Advanced Placement or other approved transfer and early college coursework will receive credit for general electives.

Level	Fall	Spring
Freshman	ENGL-1000 (3) Cohort Gen Ed (3) FYS-1001 (3) MATH-2100 (3) POLS-2101 (3) Total – 15	ENGL-1010 (3) Cohort Gen Ed (3) Cohort Gen Ed (3) Life Sciences (3) Elective (3) Total – 15
Sophomore	COMS-1160 (3) Cohort Gen Ed (3) Cohort Gen Ed (3) Physical Science (4) POLS-2950 (3) Total – 16	POLS-2100 (if not taken in cohort) or Elective (3) POLS-3150 (3) Electives (8) Total – 14
Junior	Selectives (6) Electives (9) Total – 15	POLS-4600 (3) SOSC-4500 (3) Selectives (3) Electives (6) Total – 15
Senior	Selectives (9) Electives (6) Total – 15	POLS-4990 (3) Senior Capstone Electives (12) Total – 15

Minimum Total 120

Students must earn a “C” or better in all general education courses.
See program advisor for Selective options.