

**West Texas A&M University
Advising Services
Degree Checklist
2020-2021**

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NAME: _____ WT ID: _____ DATE: _____

**Political Science – Public Admin. & Policy Specialization
Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice
OM 414 651-3310**

CORE CURRICULUM COURSES: 42 HOURS ♦	HRS	
Communication (Code 10)		
ENGL 1301 Introduction to Academic Writing and Argumentation	3	
COMM 1315, 1318, or 1321	3	
Mathematics (Code 20)		
MATH 1314*, 1316*, 1324*, 1325*, 1332*/**, 1342*/**, 1350*/**, 2412*, or 2413* (2412 & 2413: fourth hr. moves to Code 90)	3	
Life and Physical Sciences (Code 30)		
Take two courses from (extra lab hours move to Code 90): ♦ ANSC 1319; BIOL 1406 or 1408, 1407* or 1409*, 1411, 1413; CHEM 1405* or 1411*, 1412*; ENVR 1407*; GEOL 1401 or 1403, 1402, 1404; PHYS 1401*, 1402*, 1411, 1412, 1471, 2425*, 2426*; PSES 1301, 1307	6	
Language, Philosophy and Culture (Code 40)		
ANTH 2351, ENGL 2321*, 2326*, 2331*, 2341*, 2343*; HIST 2311, 2323, 2372; MCOM 1307; PHIL 1301, 2374; SPAN 2311*, 2312*/**, 2313*, 2315*, or 2371 Choose 1	3	
Creative Arts (Code 50)		
ARTS 1301, 1303, 1304; DANC 2303; MUSI 1306, 1307 (for music majors), 1310; or THRE 1310 Choose 1	3	
American History (Code 60)		
HIST 1301, 1302, 2301, 2381 Choose 2	6	
Government/Political Science (Code 70)		
POSC 2305 and 2306	6	
Social and Behavioral Sciences (Code 80)		
AGBE 2317*; COMM 2377; CRIJ 1301; ECON 2301, 2302; PSYC 2301; SOCI 1301 Choose 1	3	
Component Area Option (Code 90)		
Take six hours from: ♦ AGRI 2300; BIOL lab hours (from Code 30); BUSI 1304; CHEM lab hours (from Code 30); CIDM 1105, CIDM 1301 or 1315; CS 1301; ECON 2331; ENGL 1101, 1102, 1302*, 2311*; ENVR lab hour (from Code 30); GEOL lab hours (from Code 30); IDS 1071 (1-3 hours); extra MATH hours (from Code 20); MUSI 1053; PHIL 2303; PHYS lab hours (from Code 30); SES 1120	6	
POLITICAL SCIENCE CORE (21 hours required for all specializations): A grade of "C" or better must be earned in all courses required for major.		
POSC 2304 Introduction to Political Science	3	
POSC 3360* Comparative Politics	3	
POSC 4365* Topics in International Relations	3	
POSC 3361 Contemporary Political Research Methods	3	
CRIJ/POSC/SOCI/SOCW 3362* Statistics for the Social Sciences	3	
POSC 3365 Political Thought	3	
POSC 4333 American Constitutional Development	3	
POLITICAL SCIENCE - PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND POLICY SPECIALIZATION		
Take 12 hours from the following:		
POSC 4307 Municipal Government POSC 4331 Administrative Law POSC 4351 Nonprofit Administration and Management POSC 4352 Administrative Management POSC 4353 Public Administration cont.⇒	12	

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POSC 4354 Public Personnel Administration POSC 4355 Public Financial Administration POSC 4357 Public Policy Formulation POSC 4361* Public Policy Analysis POSC 4382 Administrative Theory		
POLITICAL SCIENCE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS ELECTIVES Take 9 hours of political science electives at the 3000- or 4000-level.:		
ADVANCED POLITICAL SCIENCE ELECTIVE	3	
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BACHELOR OF ARTS REQUIREMENTS: 12 HOURS OPTION		
Six hours of foreign language.	6	
Six hours chosen from art, English, history, modern languages, music, philosophy and theatre.	6	
ELECTIVES: 24 HOURS BY ADVISEMENT—SEE NOTE ♦		
ELECTIVES (ADVANCED – See NOTE below)		
ELECTIVES (ANY LEVEL)		
MINIMUM HOURS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE DEGREE	120	

♦ NOTE: The core curriculum must total **exactly 42 hours**; excess hours must be moved to the major as an elective or a major requirement and stay within the 120-hour requirement or approved total submitted to the Coordinating Board for degree requirements. Some majors specify particular courses to meet core curriculum requirements when options are available.

* Indicates prerequisites—see catalog for more information.

** While MATH 1332, 1342 and 1350 will fulfill core math requirements, they will NOT prepare students for higher-level math courses such as Plane Trigonometry (MATH 1316) or Pre-Calculus (MATH 2412).

*** Or an equivalent course (second year, second semester) in a foreign language.

NOTE: At least 39 hours of advanced work (3000- or 4000-level courses) for which tuition is paid must be earned at WTAMU, and 30 of the final 36 hours counted toward the degree must be earned at WTAMU. A maximum of six semester hours in religion (RELI) and six semester hours in physical education (PHED) courses can count toward a baccalaureate degree.

Note: This is NOT a degree plan. After completing 30 hours, students must request an official degree plan (using the online [Request for a Degree Plan](#) form) in order to progress. Students who have questions about their degree plan should contact the office of the dean of the College of Education and Social Sciences.