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Bachelor of Arts, Political Science

Four-Year Academic Plan (Catalog Year 2021-2022)

Freshmen Fall Semester	Completed	Freshmen Spring Semester	Completed	Sophomore Fall Semester	Completed	Sophomore Spring Semester	Completed
WRI 010: College Reading and Composition		POLI 010: Understanding Political Controversies^		POLI 002, POLI 003, POLI 005, POLI 006, or POLI 009		Upper Division POLI Course in Subfield 2	
POLI 001: Introduction to American Politics*		POLI 002*, POLI 003*, POLI 005*, POLI 006*, or POLI 009*		Upper Division POLI Course in Subfield 1		Arts & Humanities GE	
SPRK 001: Spark Seminar		Engineering Science GE		Natural or Engineering Science GE		Lower or Upper Division Elective	
Natural Science GE		Language GE		Lower or Upper Division Elective		Lower or Upper Division Elective	

Junior Fall Semester	Completed	Junior Spring Semester	Completed	Senior Fall Semester	Completed	Senior Spring Semester	Completed
Upper Division POLI Course in Subfield 1		Upper Division POLI Course in Subfield 2		Upper Division POLI Course in Subfield 1		Upper Division POLI Course in Subfield 2	
Upper Division Elective		Upper Division POLI Course [®]		Upper Division POLI Course#		Upper Division POLI Course	
Upper Division Elective		Upper Division Elective		Upper Division Elective		Culminating Experience GE	
Lower or Upper Division Elective		Upper Division Elective					

Notes:

A list of courses that meet GE can be found at: https://catalog.ucmerced.edu/content.php?catoid=20&navoid=1856

*Social Science GE

^: Quantitative Reasoning GE

#: Writing in the Discipline GE

@: Crossroads Course GE

Key				
Upper Division Elective Course (100-199)	A course in any discipline numbered 100-199 that you meet the prerequisite for.			
Elective Course (001-199)	A course in any discipline numbered 001-199 that you meet the prerequisite for			

The four-year plans presented in this sample plan demonstrate the recommended sequencing and timing of the required and elective components within each major. In many cases, a student's academic background will require variations in the timing of the coursework listed in the plan. All students are expected to work with their academic advisor to find their best pathway through the degree requirements of their chosen program.

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