Bachelor of Arts (BA) – Political Science with Teacher Certification  
(Social Studies Composite: History Minor and Geography Third Field)  

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**GENERAL EDUCATION CORE**  
42 HOURS

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<th>COMMUNICATION – CODE 010 (6 HOURS)</th>
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**MATHEMATICS – CODE 020 (3 HOURS)**  
MATH 1315, 1317, 1319, 1329, 2321, 2417, or 2471

**LIFE AND PHYSICAL SCIENCE – CODE 030 (6 HOURS)**  
Choose two: ANTH 2414, BIO 1320 or 1421 or 1330 or 1331, CHEM 1310 or 1430 or 1341 or 1342, GEO 1305, GEOL 1410 or 1420, PHYS 1310 or 1320 or 1340 or 1350 or 1351 or 1325 or 1430 or 2425

**LANGUAGE, PHILOSOPHY, AND CULTURE – CODE 040 (3 HOURS)**  
PHIL 1305 (WI) or 1320 (WI)

**CREATIVE ARTS – CODE 050 (3 HOURS)**  
ART 2313, DAN 2313, MU 2313, or TH 2313

**AMERICAN HISTORY – CODE 060 (6 HOURS)**  
HIST 1310 (WI) (satisfied in minor)  
HIST 1320 (WI) (satisfied in minor)

**POLITICAL SCIENCE – CODE 070 (6 HOURS)**  
POSI 2310 (satisfied in major)  
POSI 2320 (satisfied in major)

**SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES – CODE 080 (3 HOURS)**  
ECO 2301 or 2314

**TEXAS STATE AREA OPTION – CODE 090 (6 HOURS)**  
COMM 1310  
ENG 2310, 2320, 2330, 2340, 2359, or 2360

Note: Honors course options are available to members of the Honors College. Visit www.txstate.edu/honors for more info. All Honors course options are Writing Intensive (WI).

**ADDITIONAL BA REQUIREMENTS**  
19-27 HOURS

**MODERN LANGUAGE (6-14 HOURS)**  
Choose from: American Sign Language, Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, or Spanish  
1410*  
1420*  
2310  
2320

*Most students will need to complete 1410 and 1420 as prerequisites before attempting 2310.

**ADDITIONAL HISTORY (6 HOURS)**  
HIST 2311 (WI) (satisfied in third teaching field)  
HIST 2312 (WI) (satisfied in third teaching field)

**ADDITIONAL SCIENCE (4 HOURS)**  
GEO 2410 (satisfied in GEO minor)

**ADDITIONAL ENGLISH LITERATURE (3 HOURS)**  
Choose one (must be different from core): ENG 2310, 2320, 2330, 2340, 2359, or 2360

**POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR**  
30 HOURS

| PS 2310 Principles of American Government |
| PS 2320 Functions of American Government |
| PS 3300 Basic Political Ideas (WI) or PS 3301 Basic Political Institutions (WI) |

**CHOOSE 4 OF THE 5 GROUPS (12 HOURS)**  
Group I: Political Theory and Methodology  
Group II: American Government  
Group III: Public Law and Public Administration  
Group IV: Comparative Politics  
Group V: International Relations

**3 HOURS OF ADVANCED POSI ELECTIVES**  
POSI 2310 or 2320 or 2330 or 2340 or 2359 or 2360 or 2370 or 2380 or 2390

**PRACTICUM IN POLITICAL SCIENCE**  
PS 4398 (WI) (PS 4398 should be taken with the Block Experience)

**SOCIAL STUDIES RESOURCES AND PRACTICES**  
HIST 4300 (WI) (HIST 4300 should be taken with the Block Experience)

Note: Will need a C or higher in all Political Science courses and a 2.50 GPA in this section.

**HISTORY MINOR**  
(21 HOURS)

| HIST 1310 (WI) |
| HIST 1320 (WI) |
| HIST 2311 (World Civilization to the 17th Century) (WI) |
| HIST 2312 (World Civilization from the 17th Century) (WI) |
| HIST 3372 (Texas History) (WI) |
| HIST 3000 or 4000 level Group A (World History) |
| HIST 3000 or 4000 level Group B (European History) |

Note: Will need a C or higher in all History courses and a 2.50 GPA in this section.

**GEOGRAPHY THIRD FIELD**  
(10 HOURS)

| GEO 1309 or 1310 |
| GEO 2410 (Prerequisite: MATH 1315 or above {excluding 1316} with a C or higher) |
| GEO 3303 or 3309 (WI) |

Note: Will need a C or higher in all Geography courses and a 2.50 GPA in this section.

**MINIMUM GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

| 120 total hours |
| 36 advanced hours |
| 30 hours taken at Texas State |
| 24 advanced hours taken at Texas State |
| 12 advanced hours in major taken at Texas State |
| 24 of the last 30 hours taken at Texas State |
| 9 Writing Intensive (WI) hours taken at Texas State |
| 2.75 Overall GPA |
| 2.00 Texas State GPA |
| 2.50 GPA in all Teaching Fields (POSI, HIST, & GEO) |
| 2.50 Teacher Certification coursework |

Note: Depending on major and minor combination, some students may need to take open electives to reach the required number of total and/or advanced hours.

(WI) - Writing Intensive course (if taken at Texas State)
Determination of admittance to the Teacher Preparation Program is overseen by the Office of Educator Preparation. More information available at [www.education.txstate.edu/oep](http://www.education.txstate.edu/oep).