Political Science MAJOR MAP

Possible Programs of Study:

**Political Science**

**Exchange Programs**
- Study abroad
- Internships
- Research
- Volunteering

**Core Courses**
- PLSC 101: Careers
- PLSC 200: Intro to PLSC
- PLSC 201: Amer Govt
- PLSC 207: Comp Pol
- WRT 101

**2ND YEAR**
- 300-Level Elective (3)
- (Public Administration)
- 300-Level Elective (3)
- (Political Theory)
- CRTW 201
- MATH 111/113/150
- PLSC 350 Methods (3)

**3RD OR FINAL YEAR**
- 300-Level Elective (3)
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- Consider adding an Interdisciplinary Studies Minor or Double Major

**4TH OR FINAL YEAR**
- PLSC 490 - Capstone (3)
- 500-Level Elective (3)
- 500-Level Elective (3)

**After Graduation**

**Careers of Interest**
- Local, State, and Federal Government
- International Affairs
- Survey Research
- Campaigns and Elections
- Non-Governmental Organizations
- Political Advocacy
- Business Marketing
- Social Studies Teacher
- Political Science Professor
- Law

**Skills & Qualifications I Might Need Include:**
- Oral Communication
- Written Communication
- Critical Thinking
- Math, Law, and PhD degrees in Public Administration, Public Policy, Law, Political Science

**1ST YEAR**
- Enroll in PLSC 260 Model UN (3)
- 200-Level Elective (3)
- HMXP 102
- Spring
- Earn 50 or 60 hour working in the Center for Public Opinion and Policy Research (CPOPR) while you learn about public opinion and survey research!
- Join one of over 160 Clubs and Orgs on campus, including College Democrats, College Republicans, Socialist Student Union

**2ND YEAR**
- Work to achieve membership in Pi Sigma Alpha (PSA) (3 PLSC GPA in 15 credits of PLSC)
- Become a Supervisor in the CPOPR!
- Enroll in PLSC 261 (1) and help run the Model UN Conference you enjoyed your first year!

**3RD OR FINAL YEAR**
- Become an Active Member or Officer of PSA and help create PLSC campus cultural events
- Enroll in PLSC 362 (2) and engage in collegiate Model UN competitions in Charlotte and Atlanta!
- Apply for a paid internship with The John C. West Forum on Politics and Policy

**4TH OR FINAL YEAR**
- Submit your Capstone Paper Abstract to present at the WU SOURCE Conference!
- Present a paper at the North Carolina Political Science Association (NCPSA) Conference or the South Carolina Political Science Association (SCPSA) Conference!

**Community Connection**
- Get Started volunteering through the Winthrop University MLK Day of Service.

**Global Thinking**
- Enroll in the PLSC 260 Model UN course and combined High School/College conference in the Spring semester and get public speaking experience while representing another country!
- Enroll in a Short-Term Study Abroad Course to Kenya with Dr. Hye-Sung Kim!

**Life After Graduation**
- Take PLSC 101: Careers in Political Science course and meet successful alumni working in our field!
- Explore career paths that emerge from WU PLSC’s three affiliated programs: Model UN (International Relations, Public Speaking, Political Advocacy), Social Studies Teacher, Political Science Professor, Law!

**Relevant Experience**
- Internships
- Clubs
- Jobs
- Associations

**Cousework & Milestones**
- Core Courses
- Requirements
- Electives

**Future Courses**
- Critical Thinking
- Written Communication
- Oral Communication

**Future Courses**
- Law, Political Science
- Public Administration, Public Policy, Master’s, Law, and PhD degrees in Public Administration, Public Policy, Law, Political Science

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