

DEGREE CHECKLIST (College of Arts and Sciences)

2026-2027 Catalog

MAJOR B.A. — POLITICAL SCIENCE (PLSC)

NAME	ID#	MAJOR B.A. — POLITICAL SCIENCE (Pre-Law Concentration) (PLSC-PLAW)						
GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (35-44 semester hours)			MAJOR COURSES (33-36 semester hours required)					
	Check	Hrs.	Course & No.	Hrs.	Check	Course & No.	Hrs.	Check
ACAD 101 (Required of first-time freshmen only)	_____	1	PLSC 201	(3)	_____	4) PLSC _____	(3)	_____
Writing and Critical Thinking:			PLSC 350	(3)	_____	5) PLSC _____	(3)	_____
WRIT 101 (grade of C- or better is required)	_____	3	PLSC 490 or 450H	(3)	_____	6) PLSC _____	(3)	_____
HMXP 102 (grade of C- or better in WRIT 101 is required)	_____	3	or HONR 450H			*PLSC _____	()	_____
CRTW 201 (grade of C- or better in HMXP 102 is required)	_____	3	1) PLSC _____	(3)	_____	*PLSC _____	()	_____
Oral Communication (may be met in major with PLSC 260)	_____		2) PLSC _____	(3)	_____	*PLSC _____	()	_____
	_____	0-3	3) PLSC _____	(3)	_____	*PLSC _____	()	_____
Technology (see approved list; may be met by other requirement)	_____	3	1. American Government: select three hours from PLSC 202, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 313, 314, 315, 366, 371, 513, or 518.					
Intensive Writing (met in major with PLSC 490)	_____	0	2. Comparative Politics: select three hours from PLSC 207, 332, 335, 336, 337, 338, 345, 475, 505, or 507.					
Constitution-Founding Documents Req. (met in major with PLSC 201)	_____	0	3. International Politics: select three hours from PLSC 205, 260, 504, 506, 508, or 530.					
Physical Activity (see approved list)	_____	1	4. Political Theory: select three hours from PLSC 351, 352, 353, 355, 356, 551, 553, or 555.					
Global Perspectives (see approved list; could be met in major)*	_____	0-3	5. Public Administration/Public Policy: select three hours from PLSC 316, 317, 319, 320, 321, 323, 324, 325, 512, or 515.					
Historical Perspectives (see approved list)*	_____	3	6. Experiential Learning Requirement: select three hours from PLSC 260, 307, 470, 471, 472, 473, 475, 500, 501, 502, 503, or 514. <u>Course may be used to meet another degree requirement.</u>					
Social Science (see approved list; must include 2 designators)*	_____	3	*Select 9-12 additional hours of PLSC electives to total a minimum of 33 hours in PLSC. For the <i>Pre-Law concentration</i> , electives should include three courses from PLSC 311, 312, 318, PHIL 220, 370, 371.					
Humanities and Arts (see approved list; must include 2 designators; could be met in major)*	_____	0-3	<i>Note: Students are limited to a total of nine hours in the major in PLSC 450H, 471, 472, 473, 498, 501, 502, and 503 combined.</i>					
	_____	3	REQUIREMENTS FOR MINOR (15-24 semester hours)					
Quantitative Skills (see approved list)*	_____	0-3	Course & No.	Hrs.	Check	Course & No.	Hrs.	Check
	_____		_____	()	_____	_____	()	_____
	_____	3-4	_____	()	_____	_____	()	_____
	_____	0-4**	_____	()	_____	_____	()	_____
	_____		_____	()	_____	_____	()	_____
Natural Science (see approved list; must include a lab science; if 2 courses taken, must be in 2 different groups: <i>Life, Physical, Earth</i>)*	_____	3-4	GENERAL ELECTIVES (8-34 semester hours) (Allowable semester hours will vary depending on the requirements for the minor and the courses in the minor that can also count towards General Education requirements.)					
	_____	0-4**	_____	()	_____	_____	()	_____
	_____		_____	()	_____	_____	()	_____
	_____		_____	()	_____	_____	()	_____
	_____		_____	()	_____	_____	()	_____
FOREIGN LANGUAGE (3-8 semester hours)			NOTES					
	_____	3-4	1. Unless stated otherwise, a single course may not be used for more than one General Education requirement or in a major and a minor.					
	_____	0-4	2. All Arts and Sciences majors require a minimum of 39 hours in courses numbered above 299.					
			3. Attendance at three cultural events is required for each 20 hours completed in residence at Winthrop. Note exceptions in the undergraduate catalog.					
			4. Designators that differ only for the purpose of theory and application will be considered the same designator.					
			5. Students should complete WRIT 101, HMXP 102 and CRTW 201 with a C- or better early in their academic careers.					
			6. See complete catalog requirements at www.winthrop.edu/recandreg					
102-level proficiency required								

*No more than two courses in the major may count toward requirements in these areas.

**3 courses required in Quantitative Skills/Natural Science: 1 Quantitative Skills, 1 Natural Science, and 1 additional Quantitative Skills or Natural Science.

102-level proficiency required