Eight Semester Plan BA Political Science

12 credits in the major and 9 credits in the minor must be completed at Alvernia University
When pursuing a double major, you must have 12 distinct credits between the two majors.

Semester 1	Credits	Semester 2	Credits
Diversity graduation requirement cannot be fulfilled through major courses; students should fulfill this with a Gen Ed class			
SRH 101: Search Seminar or HNR 160: Honors Search	3	POS 101: Introduction to Political Science **OR** POS 111: American Democratic Government	3
POS 101: Introduction to Political Science **OR** POS 111: American Democratic Government	3	THE 105 or PHI 105	3
THE 105 or PHI 105	3	Gen Ed	3
Gen Ed	3	Gen Ed	3
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TOTAL	**15**	**TOTAL**	**15**
Complete 5 hours of Community Service		Complete 5 hours of Community Service	
Semester 3	**Credits**	**Semester 4**	**Credits**
POS 212: Comparative Politics **OR** POS 225: Contemporary World Affairs	3	POS 212: Comparative Politics **OR** POS 225: Contemporary World Affairs	3
Gen Ed	3	POS ELECTIVE	3
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		ELECTIVE/2nd MAJOR/MINOR	3
TOTAL	**15**	**TOTAL**	**18**
Complete 5 hours of Community Service		Complete 5 hours of Community Service	
Semester 5	**Credits**	**Semester 6**	**Credits**
POS ELECTIVE	3	POS ELECTIVE	3
Gen Ed	3	POS ELECTIVE	3
Gen Ed	3	ELECTIVE /2nd MAJOR/MINOR	3
ELECTIVE /2nd MAJOR/MINOR	3	ELECTIVE /2nd MAJOR/MINOR	3
ELECTIVE /2nd MAJOR/MINOR	3		3
TOTAL	**15**	**TOTAL**	**15**
Complete 5 hours of Community Service		Complete 5 hours of Community Service	
Semester 7	**Credits**	**Semester 8**	**Credits**
POS 424: History of Political Thought	3	POS 425: Research Seminar	3
ELECTIVE /2nd MAJOR/MINOR	3	ELECTIVE /2nd MAJOR/MINOR	3
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TOTAL	**15**	**TOTAL**	**15**
Complete 5 hours of Community Service		Complete 5 hours of Community Service	

Academic Policy on **Eligibility for Participation of May Commencement Ceremony**
The underlined academic policy, which the Registrar follows, is: A student who has 6 or less credits remaining to complete the degree may participate in the May Commencement Ceremony. The Graduation Application is available online in myAlvernia on the 'Academics' tab. Seniors must submit the Graduation Application to the Registrar's Office as follows: October 1 for May Graduation; December 1 for August graduation; and March 1 for December graduation.

If you have any questions, please call the Registrar's Office (610.796.8201)

Curriculum Sheets, EAB Navigate, and AUAdvise

The information on this page and the Curriculum Sheet is provided in AUAdvise - EAB Navigate as a static tool for discussion purposes when meeting with students to schedule courses. [Degree Audit uAcheive](#) remains the official source for each student's curiculum audit. Degree Audit uAchieve must be used together with the Curriculum Sheet to determine whether the information noted during scheduling meetings on the curriculum sheet remains accurate.

General Notes

- A minimum of 123 credits are required for graduation.
- Where appropriate, courses required for the major can be used to satisfy General Education requirements. However, the credits earned for these courses are applied to either Gen Ed requirements or the major, not both.
- Paths of Knowledge coursework may count towards major or minor requirements, but may not fulfill a second Mid-Level Liberal Arts Exploration requirement.
- Students are expected to follow the catalog requirements for General Education, the major, and additional requirements.
- A minor or second major within the areas listed under Paths of Knowledge automatically fulfills that area of the Gen Ed requirements.
- Students must complete 45 of their last 60 credits at Alvernia University
- Students must complete community service hours as part of the General Education Program

Major Notes

- POS majors are encouraged to take a double major or one or two minors.
- POS majors commonly do an internship for one semester or during the summer in their junior or senior year.
- POS majors who are part of the Honors Program fulfill at least 3 of the core or major requirements with Honors courses; they also must take 6 credits worth of thesis.
- POS majors may study abroad.

Degree/Major: BA POLITICAL SCIENCE

Name: _____ **Id:** _____

2nd Major: _____ **3rd Major:** _____ **Minor:** _____ **2nd Minor:** _____   **Matriculation Year 2023-2024 - Term:** _____

GENERAL EDUCATION   Grade Notes:

Enduring Questions (12 cr)
/__/ SEARCH Sem. Enduring Questions   (3) ____ _____
/__/ THE 105 Foundations of Theology   (3) ____ _____
/__/ PHI 105 Introduction to Philosophy   (3) ____ _____
/__/ COM 101 Composition & Research   (3) ____ _____
     (C grade or better)

Exploring the Natural World (6-8)
/__/ MAT _____ (3-4) ____ _____
    (*not* MAT 100)
/__/ _____ (3-4) ____ _____
    (Science with Lab)

Culture & Language (9 cr)
/__/ COM _____ (3) ____ _____
    (*not* COM 100 or 101)
World Language – 2 courses in sequence
/__/ _____ (3) ____ _____
/__/ _____ (3) ____ _____

Individuals & Communities (6 cr)
☒ Met in Major   (x) ____ _____
☒ Met in Major   (x) ____ _____
    (PSY, HIS, POS, SOC, SSC, or ECON)

Creative Expressions (6 cr)
/__/ LIT _____ (3) ____ _____
/__/ _____ (3) ____ _____
    (Art, Music, or Theatre)

Ethical Leaders & Followers (6 cr)
/__/ THE/PHI _____ (3) ____ _____
    (200-400 level)
/__/ THE/PHI _____ (3) ____ _____
    (ethics/morality @ 200 level)

Paths of Knowledge (9 cr @ 200-400 level in ONE path)
Path 1: Interdisciplinary Study; at least two from Liberal Arts
Path 2: Multidisciplinary Study; at least two from Liberal Arts
Path 3: In-depth Disciplinary Study; from same Liberal Arts discipline
/__/ _____ ( ) ____ _____
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☐ Human Diversity: _____
☐ Senior Capstone: will be met with POS 425
☐ Writing Enhanced Course: will be met with POS 424
☐ Community Service Hours: Required: _____ Met: ____
☐ Overall GPA >= 2.00
☐ GPA in Major >= 2.00

Residency Requirements:
☐ 45 of last 60 credits
☐ Min 12 Alvernia credits in major
☐ Min 9 Alvernia credits in minor (if applicable) ☐
Min 123 non-remedial credits earned

POLITICAL SCIENCE (30 cr)   Grade Notes:
/__/ POS 101 Intro to Political Science   (3) ____ _____
/__/ POS 111 American Democratic Gov't (3) _____ _____
/__/ POS 212 or 225   (3) ____ _____
/__/ POS 424 History of Political Thought (3) _____ _____
/__/ POS 425 Seminar   (3) ____ _____
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Note: POS 200 may be taken a total of 3 times for credit towards POS major

MINOR (optional) (17-21 cr)
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