The Purpose of this document is to provide you with information to help you begin planning for your academic experience thereby making it as broad and fulfilling as possible. By looking to the future and creatively using the variety of resources available, you can plan an undergraduate experience that far exceeds simply choosing an academic major. This document provides a variety of information about the major, including required courses, related career fields, and resources for experiential learning and career planning.

UT’S DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

The Political Science discipline is broad and diverse, ranging from the study of campaigns and elections to analysis of political philosophy. Political Science gives attention to the theory and practice of government at all levels from local to international, as well as to the complex relationships between social values and the formulation of public policy. The Political Science curriculum is divided into the following areas: U.S. Government and Politics/Public Administration, Comparative Government and Politics, International Relations, and Political Theory and Methodology.

As a blend of the theoretical and the practical, Political Science provides a broad liberal arts background for professional careers in law, government service, foreign service, business, journalism, and public school teaching. It offers a good foundation for those wishing to pursue postgraduate study, especially in the fields of law, political science, and public administration.

Department Head: Dr. Patricia Freeland
1001 McClung Tower
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SAMPLE CAREER FIELDS

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WHAT SHOULD YOU BE DOING? HAVE A PLAN? HERE IT IS...

FRESHMAN YEAR
- Discuss requirements, related majors, and registration with an Arts & Sciences Advisor
- Become familiar with the library and its resources
- Complete prerequisites and corequisites to major courses
- Plan now to participate in a study abroad program as a junior or senior (visit Center for International Education, 1620 Melrose Avenue)

SOPHOMORE YEAR
- Declare or apply for progression into a major
- Start putting together a resume’
- Establish relationships with professors in your major to gain insight into the department, course offerings, projects, etc.
- Establish relationships with professionals in relevant career fields to find out what they are looking for in new recruits
- Contact Career Services to learn about the services they provide

JUNIOR YEAR
- Plan the remainder of your curriculum with an advisor
- After completing 90 credit hours request a Senior Standing Sheet in 209 Student Services Building
- Engage in or start planning appropriate research and practicum experiences
- Discuss graduate school plans, send away for catalogs and applications
- Prepare for graduate level standardized tests such as the GRE, LSAT and MCAT

SENIOR YEAR
- Take graduate level standardized tests such as the GRE, LSAT, and MCAT
- Finalize graduation details in 209 Student Services Building
- Secure permission from professors, administrators, professionals for letters of recommendation
- Attend workshops on career related subjects at Career Services
- Register for campus recruiting program at Career Services
As you pursue course work throughout your own Arts and Sciences curriculum (Basic Skills, Divisional Distribution, and Upper-Level Distribution), you will be developing skills and aptitudes in the following areas. Refer to pages eight and nine in the *Arts and Sciences Curriculum Guide and Advising Handbook* for additional information about how the various courses will enhance the development of the following skills and aptitudes.

**CRITICAL THINKING**
- Analysis
- Deductive Reasoning
- Constructing Arguments
- Assessing Evidence
- Creative Thinking
- Decision Making

**INVESTIGATION**
- Devise Hypotheses
- Research Methodology
- Problem-Solving
- Experimentation

**HUMAN RELATIONS**
- Appreciation of Diversity
- Working in Groups
- Exploration of Values
- Developing Leadership
- Appreciation of Humankind and its Accomplishments
- Understanding Structure/Behavior Within Organizations

**COMMUNICATION PROCESSES**
- Development of Effective Writing Skills
- Development of Effective Reading Skills
- Development of Effective Listening Skills
- Ability to use Technology
- Bilingual Capabilities (Desirable)

**RESEARCH APPLICATION**
- Internship/Cooperative Opportunities
- Research
- Independent Study Projects
- Study Abroad
- Volunteer Experiences

**INTERNET RESOURCES**
- UT Arts and Sciences Advising Services: http://www.artsci.utk.edu/advising/
- UT Political Science Department: http://web.utk.edu/~polisci/
- UT Career Services: http://web.utk.edu/~career
- UT Center for International Education: http://web.utk.edu/~globe
- American Political Science Association: http://www.apsanet.org/
- Peterson’s Education Center: http://www.petersons.com/
- The Catapult on Job Web: http://www.jobweb.org/catapult/catapult.htm
- The Catapult’s Graduate and Professional School Guides: http://www.jobweb.org/catapult/gguides.htm
- Yahoo (search engine): http://www.yahoo.com

**EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING:**
**INTERNSHIPS, CO-OPS, VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

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**CAREER/GRADEATE SCHOOL RESOURCES**

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<td>218 Student Services</td>
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<td>American Political Science Association</td>
<td>1527 New Hampshire Ave NW</td>
<td>(202) 483-2512</td>
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<td>American Society for Public Administration</td>
<td>1120 G. Street NW</td>
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Suite 700
Washington, DC 20005-3885
THE CURRICULUM
This major guide reflects The University of Tennessee Undergraduate Catalog 2000-2001. The following courses may have prerequisites and corequisites. Please check the catalog for complete information about each course.

THE MAJOR

Progression Requirements:
None

Prerequisites:
1) Political Science 101 United States Government and Politics or 107 Honors
2) Political Science 102 Introduction to Political Science

Requirements:
The general major consists of 24 hours.
2) Comparative Government and Politics-- one course selected from the following: Political Science 350 Political Change in Developing Areas, 355 Latin American Government and Politics, 361 Politics in Western Democracies, 452 Black African Politics, 454 Government and Politics of China and Japan, 459 Government and Politics of Russia and Eastern Europe, 461 Policy making in Democracies, and 463 Contemporary Middle East Politics
3) International Relations--one course selected from the following: Political Science 365 Intro to International Relations, 366 United States Foreign Policy Process, 470 International Law, 471 International Political Economy, and 472 Normative Issues in International Relations
4) Political Theory and Methodology-- one course selected from the following: 300 Introduction to Political Philosophy, 374 American Political Thought, 475 Ancient and Medieval Political Thought, and 476 Modern Political Thought
5) Twelve hours from Political Science courses numbered 300 or above

HONORS

Admission:
Selective

Note:
To graduate with Honors in Political Science, the student must have a minimum GPA of 3.3 in Political Science and a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0.

Prerequisites:
Same as those for the major

Requirements:
The Honor's concentration is normally a two year program consisting of 27 hours of Political Science courses.
1) Political Science 387-388 Junior Honors Seminar
2) Political Science 487-488 Senior Honors Thesis and Seminar
3) U.S. Government and Politics/Public Administration --one course
4) Comparative Government and Politics-- one course
5) International Relations-- one course
6) Political Theory and Methodology--one course
7) Three hours at the 300 level or above

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

This concentration is designed for students preparing for a career in public service.

Progression Requirements:
None

Prerequisites:
Same as those for the major plus Economics 201 Introduction to Economics

Requirements:
This concentration consists of 27 hours.
1) Political Science 340 Introduction to Public Administration and Public Policy
2) Political Science 401 Political Analysis
3) Two of the following: Political Science 440 Public Management and Human Resources, 441 Budgetary Process and Financial Management, and 442 Administrative Law
4) Two of the following: Economics 471 Public Finance: Optimal Government Functions and Expenditure Analysis, 472 Public Finance: Taxation and Intergovernmental Relations; or Accounting 201 Principles of Financial Accounting
5) Comparative Government and Politics-- one course
6) International Relations-- one course
7) Political Theory and Methodology--one course

THE MINOR

Prerequisites:
Same as those for the major

Requirements:
The minor consists of 15 upper-division hours in political science courses.
CAREER BOOSTERS

FRESHMAN YEAR
- Enroll in a Speech Communication course
- Learn how to use computers and word processing programs
- Participate in campus and/or community activities
- Meet with a career counselor to discuss resources, personality inventories, and career plans

SOPHOMORE YEAR
- Identify potential part-time and summer employment opportunities related to your field
- Further develop skills in writing, speaking, and problem solving via coursework and experiential learning
- Consider taking additional courses which may lead to a minor

JUNIOR YEAR
- Enroll in advanced level writing courses
- Participate in a Study Abroad program and/or relevant internship program
- Watch graduate school video at A & S Advising Services
- Consider doing research for a professor
- Seek out field or laboratory work
- Update your resume

SENIOR YEAR
- Conduct a videotaped practice interview at Career Services
- Finalize resume, cover letters, graduate school and job applications
- Obtain a leadership position in a student organization, club, or society
- Visit prospective graduate schools

SAMPLE RESUME

Assistance with resume preparation is available at Career Services, which is located in 100 Dunford Hall, or on the web at http://web.utk.edu/~career.

SARAH SOCIAL SCIENCE

Current Address: Permanent Address:
1629 Cumberland Avenue #11D 123 Freud Lane
Knoxville, TN 37916 Bates, CA 90078
(865) 595-1212 (213) 555-9999

OBJECTIVE
To obtain a summer internship within the helping professions

EDUCATION
University of Tennessee
Bachelor of Arts, Major in Psychology (Academic Concentration)
May 1999, GPA 3.0/4.0

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS
Excellent Communication Skills
Familiar with the Application of Statistical Methods
Computer Literate
International Experience
Fluency in Spanish - Intermediate Level

HONORS
Dean’s List
University of Tennessee Alumni Scholarship
Psi Chi (Psychology Honor Society) Vice President

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE
Department of Corrections, Maryville, TN
Volunteer Probation Counselor
5/98 - Present
Interviewed clients in a flexible, non-judgmental manner
Aided clients in the utilization of community resources
Maintained appropriate case-related paperwork on a monthly basis
Assisted clients in the exploration of alternative solutions to problems

ACTIVITIES
Undergraduate Academic Council – College of Arts and Sciences Liaison
Vol Corps – Responsible for giving tours of the campus to prospective students and their families
Clement Hall Residence Association – Section Representative
1997-present
French Club – 1997-present

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
CPR Certification
United Way Volunteer
Willing to relocate

AVAILABILITY
May 16 - August 12, 1999

REFERENCES
Available on request

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