Summary of Requirements for Double Major in Secondary Teacher Education

If you wish to complete a Maryland State-approved program in teaching secondary physics, you must:

- Complete the BA/BS in Physics in any concentration.
- Declare a second major in Secondary Teacher Education. See the Secondary Teacher Education Program Coordinator for details.
- In addition to the regular major requirements, you must take coursework in biology, chemistry, and earth science in order to qualify for Maryland State certification in science and to meet NCATE accreditation standards. See the Secondary Teacher Education Program Coordinator for details.

Political Science

Major

Minor

	MAJOR	MINOR
Hours Required in Political Science:	37	21
Hours Required in Other Departments:	0	0
Total Hours Required:	**37**	**21**

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Lecturer:
Magrath

- Only courses in which you earn a grade of C or better will count towards satisfaction of major or minor requirements.
- The Department strongly encourages majors to consider the internship option.
- POSC 492 counts as elective credit toward POSC major; POSC 495 counts as general elective credit.
- The Department considers it essential that majors take POSC 250 Research Methods before enrolling in 300 and 400 level POSC courses.
- Upon the completion of 75 credit hours, all majors must enroll in POSC 490 Capstone Seminar.

**Seminar courses may be applicable to the distribution requirements with the prior approval of the department chair.*

Summary of Requirements for Major/Minor in Political Science

Major

1. Introductory Level Courses: *(6 hours)*
POSC 110/112 Introduction to American Politics *(GEP Group D)*
and one of the following:
POSC 113/114 Introduction to World Politics *(GEP Group D) or*
POSC 131 Introduction to Comparative Politics *(GEP Group D or F)*

2. Research Methods: *(3 hours)*
POSC 250 Research Methods

3. Capstone Seminar *(1 hour)*
POSC 490 Capstone Seminar in Political Science

4. Distribution within Department: *(15 hours)*
*Select one course in each of the following five groups.**

GROUP I American Politics
POSC 321 American State & Local Politics
POSC 323 Public Administration
POSC 324 Criminal Justice Systems in Action
POSC 352 Interest Groups
POSC 361 Public Opinion and Political Behavior
POSC 362 Political Parties and Elections
POSC 363 Media and Politics
POSC 365 Women and Politics
POSC 421 American Legislative Politics
POSC 422 American Constitutional Law I
POSC 423 American Constitutional Law II
POSC 427 The American Presidency
POSC 462 Personality and Politics

GROUP II Comparative Politics
POSC 330 Politics of Africa
POSC 331 Politics of Latin America
POSC 332 Politics of Middle East
POSC 333 Politics of Europe
POSC 336 Politics of Food
POSC 431 Russian Politics
POSC 435 Model Organization of American States

Minor

1. Introductory Level Courses: *(6 hours)*
POSC 110/112 Introduction to American Politics *(GEP Group D)*
and one of the following:
POSC 113/114 Introduction to World Politics *(GEP Group D) or*
POSC 131 Introduction to Comparative Politics *(GEP Group D or F)*

2. Free Elective Hours in Department:
(15 hours)
Any courses from the above subfields not already taken and/or:
POSC 492 Internship Seminar *(3 or 6 credits)*
and/or POSC 488 Comparative Legal Systems
POSC 498 Readings in Political Science

Major *(continued)*

GROUP III International Relations

POSC 341 International Organization
POSC 342 Foreign Policy of the United States
POSC 441 Theory and Practice of International Relations
POSC 442 National Security Policy
POSC 443 Transnational Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism

GROUP IV Public Administration and Policy

POSC 355 Public Budgeting
POSC 358 American Public Policy
POSC 450 Environmental Public Policy
POSC 455 Public Program Evaluation

GROUP V Political Theory

POSC 370 Introduction to Political Thought
POSC 470 Seminar in Political Thought
POSC 471 American Political Thought

5. Free Elective Hours in Department:

(12 hours)
Any courses from the above subfields not already taken and/or:
POSC 492 Internship Seminar *(3 or 6 credits)*
and/or POSC 488 Comparative Legal Systems
POSC 498 Readings in Political Science

Summary of Requirements for Double Major in Secondary Teacher Education

If you wish to complete a Maryland State-approved program in teaching secondary social studies, you must:

- Complete the BA/BS in political science.
- Declare a second major in Secondary Teacher Education. See the Secondary Teacher Education Program Coordinator for details.
- In addition to the regular major requirements, you must take coursework in economics, geography, history, and social science in order to qualify for Maryland State certification in social studies and to meet NCATE accreditation standards. See the Secondary Teacher Education Program Coordinator for details.