### I. GENERAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM

Some general education requirements may be double-counted in the major with departmental approval. Please see your advisor for information.

### II. MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

2.0 major GPA is required for graduation. Major GPA calculation will include all courses taken in the Government & Justice Studies department, plus any other courses under II. Minimum of 18 semester hours of courses taken to fulfill major requirements must be courses offered by Appalachian. ** Students must have 90 s.h. of coursework to be eligible for internship PS 4900.

#### A. Required Political Science courses: (14 hours)

- P S 1100 (3) American National Government & Politics
- PS/CJ 3115 (4) Research Methods
- P S 4800 (1) Political Science Capstone [CAP]

#### Theory & Methodology Courses - Choose one of the following:

- P S 3110 (3) Political Theory thru 16th Century
- P S 3310 (3) Political Ideologies
- P S 3210 (3) Political Theory, 17th Century - Present
- P S 3410 (3) Marxism

#### International & Comparative Courses - Choose one of the following:

- P S 2120 (3) Int’l Politics & Foreign Policy
- P S 2240 (3) Comparative Politics

#### B. Political Science courses: (15 hours)  
*(Complete 9 hours in one section and 6 hours in the other section; courses selected to meet Area A requirements may not be used to meet other requirements)*

**Section 1: Political Institutions courses (6-9 hours)**

- P S 2130 (3) State and Local Government
- P S 3130 (3) Amer Political Parties & Interest Groups
- P S 3230 (3) American Legislative Politics

**Section 2: Political Behavior courses (6-9 hours)**

- P S 3310 (3) Political Ideologies
- P S 4230 (3) Pres & Executive Branch [WID] (Pre: RC 2001)
- P S 4710 (3) American Political Thought (Pre: Jr. or Sr. standing)

You must complete at least one 3-hour course with a Writing in the Discipline [WID] designation. Courses with the [WID] designation are PS 3280, 3320, 3370, 3550, 4230, 4723, & 4748. All WID courses have PRE: RC 2001. The WID course can count in Area II. B. or II. C. _______

#### C. Twelve (12) semester hours of required Political Science electives chosen with the consent of an advisor.

#### D. Required American Politics Concentration (minimum of 18 semester hours) to be chosen with the consent of an advisor.

The concentration, made up of courses drawn from the list of courses below, requires careful planning. Students are encouraged to develop their program of study early in their academic careers with the assigned departmental advisor for this specific concentration.

**Required in Concentration:**

- STT 1810 (3) Basic Statistics (Pre: MAT 1010 or higher)
- C J 1100 (3) Intro to Criminal Justice
- C J 3050 (3) American Legal Systems
- C J/PS 4550 (3) Law & Society (Pre: Jr/Sr standing)
- C J 4660 (3) Organized Crime (Pre: Jr/Sr standing)
- COM 2300 (3) Intro to Mass Communication (Pre: COM 1200)
- COM 3110 (3) Small Group Communication
- COM 3155 (3) Persuasion [WID-COM] (Pre: COM 1200 & 2101 or 2105; RC 2001)
- COM 3300 (3) Mass Media & Society
- COM 3315 (3) Political Communication
- C S 1410 (2) Into to Computer Applications
- ECO 2030 (3) Principles of Microeconomics
- ECO 2040 (3) Principles of Macroeconomics (Pre: ECO 2030)
- ECO 3551 (3) Amer Econ Hist (Pre: 54 earned hours; ECO 1010 or 2030)
- GHY 3012 (3) U.S. & Canada
- GHY 4230 (3) Political Geography
- HIS 2201 (3) Survey of American Civilization to 1876
- HIS 2204 (3) Survey of American Civilization since 1876
- HIS 3224 (3) Antebellum America
- S W 2020 (3) American Social Welfare System

#### III. MINOR (REQUIRED)

2 semester hours of free electives must be outside the major discipline.

#### IV. ELECTIVES (taken to total 122 hours for the degree)

2 semester hours of free electives must be outside the major discipline.