

**I. GENERAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM .....44**

Three semester hours from Area II A (below) may fulfill general education perspective requirements. MAT 1010 fulfills Quantitative Literacy.

**II. MAJOR REQUIREMENTS .....65**

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.

**A. Twenty six (26) semester hours of required Political Science courses:**

- P S 1100 \_\_\_\_ (3) American National Government and Politics
- P S 2130 \_\_\_\_ (3) State and Local Government
- P S 3001 \_\_\_\_ (3) Writing in Political Science **[WID]** (Pre: ENG 2001)
- P S/C J 3115 \_\_\_\_ (4) Research Methods (Pre: STT 1810)
- P S 3130 \_\_\_\_ (3) American Political Parties and Interest Groups
- P S 3230 \_\_\_\_ (3) American Legislative Politics
- P S 4230 \_\_\_\_ (3) The Presidency and the Executive Branch
- P S 4710 \_\_\_\_ (3) American Political Thought
- P S 4800 \_\_\_\_ (1) Political Science Capstone **[CAP]**

**B. Nine (9) semester hours of required Political Science electives chosen with the consent of an advisor.**

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**C. Required American Politics Concentration (minimum of 30 semester hours)**

The concentration, made up of courses drawn from one or more disciplines outside the Political Science Department, 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. The career-oriented concentration often includes an internship, and all concentrations require Statistics 1810. Copies of each student's program of study, signed by the departmental chairperson, must be on file in the Political Science Department Office as well as the Dean's Office in the College of Arts and Sciences.

**\*\* Students must have 90 s.h. of coursework to be eligible for internship PS 4900.**

**Required in Concentration:**

- STT 1810 \_\_\_\_ (3) Basic Statistics (Pre: MAT 1010)

**III. MINOR (optional)**

Major Requirements that count in Gen Education:	
Quantitative Literacy	
MAT 1010	4 s.h.
Perspectives	
(depends on choices)	
PS 1100	3 s.h.
Total Major hrs:	65
Gen Ed-up to 7 hrs:	- 7
Net Major hrs:	58

**IV. ELECTIVES (taken to total 122 hours for the degree).....13**

2 semester hours of free electives must be outside the major discipline. **122**