Bachelor of Science (BS) Non-teaching  
Degree Code 272*  
Concentration Code 272C  

2014-2015 Program of Study for Political Science  

I. GENERAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM .......................................................................................................................................... 44  
COM 3315, ECO 2030, PS 1100, 1200, 3410, 1722, SOC 4560, or SW 2020 may meet up to 15 hours general education perspective requirements.

II. MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (Not including up to 15 hours that may be used in General Education) ........................................................ 44  

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: (11 hours)  
P S  1100 _____ (3) American National Government and Politics  
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  4800 _____ (1) Political Science Capstone [CAP]  

B. Political Science courses: (15 hours) (Complete 9 hours in one section and 6 hours in the other section)  
Section 1: Political Institutions courses (6-9 hours)  
P S  2130 _____ (3) State and Local Government  
P S  3130 _____ (3) American Political Parties and Interest Groups  
P S  3230 _____ (3) American Legislative Politics  
P S  4230 _____ (3) Presidency and Executive Branch  
P S  4710 _____ (3) American Political Thought (Pre: Jr. or Sr. standing)

Section 2: Political Behavior courses (6-9 hours)  
P S  3310 _____ (3) Political Ideologies  
P S  3370 _____ (3) Voting, Campaigns, & Elections  
P S  3371 _____ (3) Political Persuasion  
P S  4175 _____ (3) Public Opinion  
P S  4370 _____ (3) Political Psychology

C. Fifteen (15) 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)  
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 4680 _____ (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 (Pre: COM 1200, 2101)  
COM 3300 _____ (3) Mass Media & Society  
COM 3315 _____ (3) Political Communication  
C S 1410 _____ (2) Into to Computer App  
ECO 2030 _____ (3) Principles of Microeconomics  
ECO 2040 _____ (3) Principles of Macroeconomics (Pre: ECO 2030)  
ECO 3551 _____ (3) American Econ History (Pre: ECO 1010 or 2030)  
GHY 3012 _____ (3) U.S. & Canada  
GHY 4230 _____ (3) Political Geography  
HIS 2201 _____ (3) Survey of Amer Civ to 1876  
HIS 2204 _____ (3) Survey of Amer Civ since 1876  
HIS 3224 _____ (3) Antebellum America  
GHY 3012 _____ (3) U.S. & Canada  
GHY 4230 _____ (3) Political Geography  
HIS 2201 _____ (3) Survey of Amer Civ to 1876  
HIS 2204 _____ (3) Survey of Amer Civ since 1876  
HIS 3224 _____ (3) Antebellum America

III. MINOR (REQUIRED) ................................................................................................................................................. 12-21  
Courses used to meet the minor may be used to meet the concentration hours with approval of advisor.

IV. ELECTIVES (taken to total 122 hours for the degree) ........................................................................................................ 13-22  
2 semester hours of free electives must be outside the major discipline.  
Total major requirements (including minor) – 71-80; Gen Ed courses that may count in major (depends on choices) –15; net major 56-65 hours;