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
- 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
- P S 4230 _____ (3) Pres & Executive Branch [WID] *(Pre: RC 2001)*
- 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 4175 _____ (3) Public Opinion
- P S 4370 _____ (3) Political Psychology
- P S 3371 _____ (3) Political Persuasion
- P S 3370 _____ (3) Voting, Campaigns, & Elec [WID] *(Pre: RC 2001)*

You must complete at least one 3-hour course with a Writing in the Discipline [WID] designation. Courses with the [WID] designation are P S 3001, 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 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 [WID-COM] *(Pre: COM 1200 & 2100 or 2105; RC 2001)*
- COM 3300 _____ (3) Mass Media & Society
- COM 3315 _____ (3) Political Communication
- C S 1410 _____ (2) Intro 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
- STT 1810 _____ (3) Basic Statistics *(Pre: MAT 1010 or higher)*
- HIS 3224 _____ (3) Antebellum America
- HIS 3228 _____ (3) The Gilded Age & Progressive Era
- HIS 3230 _____ (3) Recent US History
- HIS 3526 _____ (3) Business History
- HIS 3720 _____ (3) History of the Old South
- HIS 3722 _____ (3) Post-Civil War South
- HIS 3820 _____ (3) US Foreign Policy
- HIS 3824 _____ (3) American Urban History
- HIS 3828 _____ (3) American Church History
- SOC 2020 _____ (3) Social Deviance
- SOC 2040 _____ (3) Popular Culture
- SOC 2060 _____ (3) Religion & Society
- SOC 3750 _____ (3) Propaganda, Media & Society
- SOC 4560 _____ (3) Race & Ethnicity *(Pre: Sr. standing)*
- SOC 4750 _____ (3) Wealth, Power & Privilege
- S W 2020 _____ (3) American Social Welfare System

III. MINOR (REQUIRED)

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

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