

Political Science Major (BA)

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Political science is the study of political systems and the ideas that bring them into being, transform them, and sustain them. Students in the political science program at Lyon examine such enduring concepts as freedom, justice, equality, order, and power; explore the practical and ethical dimensions of contemporary issues, and compare political systems throughout the world. The study of political science provides students with a deeper understanding of the nature and responsibilities of citizenship and builds a strong foundation for a range of careers and professions, including public service.

Students may use POL 105 to satisfy core requirements.

NOTE: To graduate with a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree from Lyon College, students must successfully complete a minimum of 120 semester credit hours comprised of our required Core curriculum (44-48 hours), the requirements of at least one major (credit hours vary per major), and a selection of our Liberal Arts electives. They must also earn at least a 2.00 cumulative grade point average for all work taken at Lyon College and a 2.00 cumulative grade point average in their major, minor, and concentration.

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Item #	Title	Credits
POL 105	The American Experience	3
POL 201	Comparative Politics	3
POL 205	World Politics	3
POL 220	Introduction to Research Methods in Political Science	3
	POL 351 OR POL 353	3
POL 455	Senior Seminar	3
	Political Science Electives (18 credits)	18

CORE CURRICULUM

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Item #	Title	Credits
	Core Curriculum Requirements (In addition to Major hours)	44-48
	Total Credits	80-84

POL 351 OR POL 353

Item #	Title	Credits
POL 351	Ancient Political Philosophy	3
POL 353	Modern Political Philosophy	3

Political Science Electives (18 credits)