

Request for Revision to the MA in Political Science

The revisions update the PLS MA to account for course additions and a course deletion.

Effective Date: **Spring 2023**

Current Catalog Copy

Political Science (M.A.)

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Core Requirements

PLS 5053 - Research Methods. Credits: 3

And

PLS 5950 – Thesis. Credits: 3 to 6.

Or

PLS 5940 – Political Science Capstone Project. Credits: 3

Proseminars (6 hours)

Complete two of the Following:

PLS 5023 - Proseminar in International Relations. Credits: 3

PLS 5373 - Proseminar on American Politics. Credits: 3

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PLS 4933 - Ideologies of the Developing World. Credits: 3

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PLS 4903 - Classic Political Theory. Credits: 3

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PLS 4923 - African American Political Thought Credits: 3

PLS 4943 - American Political Thought Credits: 3

PLS 5153 - Cities and Urban Policy in the U.S. Federal System Credits: 3

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1-3

Public Administration and Public Policy Electives (6 hours minimum):

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Date approved by the department or school: April 4, 2022

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Date approved by CGS: