

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE CIVIC & NONPROFIT LEADERSHIP OPTION

AT EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

NAME	

2022-2023

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS: 40 HRS

LANGUAGE: 9 HRS

COURSE	HOURS	GRADE	SEMESTER
ENG 1001G Composition & Language	3		
ENG 1002G Composition & Language II	3		
CMN 1310G Intro. to Speech Comm.	3		

HUMANITIES/FINE ARTS: 9 HRS

COURSE	HOURS	GRADE	SEMESTER
Humanities	3		
Fine Arts	3		
Humanities or Fine Arts	3		

SOCIAL/BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE: 9 HRS

Must be from two different disciplines.

COURSE	HOURS	GRADE	SEMESTER
PLS 1153G/1193G	3		
PLS 2253G/2293G	3		
Non PLS	3		

SCIENCE AWARENESS: 7 HRS

One biological and one physical science course, one of which must involve a lab.

	COURSE	HOURS	GRADE	SEMESTER
BIO	Lab? 🔲			
Phy. Sci.	Lab? 🗖			

MATHEMATICS: 3 HRS

COURSE	HOURS	GRADE	SEMESTER
MAT	3		

SENIOR SEMINAR: 3 HRS

After completion of 75 credits. Choose from PLS 4600, EIU 4XXXG, or STA 4000G

COURSE	HOURS	GRADE	SEMESTER
PLS 4600 Capstone	3		

FOREIGN LANGUAGE: 0-8 HRS

Exempt if 2 yrs in high school with "C" average.

	COURSE	HOURS	GRADE	SEMESTER
WL	G	4		
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POLITICAL SCIENCE REQUIREMENTS: 39 HRS

REQUIRED COURSES: 15 HRS

COURSE	HOURS	GRADE	SEMESTER
PLS 1153G American Gov't OR PLS 1139G American Gov't Honors	3		
PLS 2703 Intro Public Policy	3		
PLS 2033 Research Methods	3		
PLS 4600 Capstone (prerequisite: 75 hrs. and PLS 2033)	3		
+ CHOOSE 1 OF THE FOLLOWING			
PLS 1003 Intro. to Politics	3		
PLS 2103 Intro. to Political Theory	3		
PLS 2253G Intro. Intern. Relations OR PLS 2239G Intro. Intern. Rel. Honors	3		

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION: 6 HRS

COURSE	HOURS	GRADE	SEMESTER
PLS 4793 Civic Nonprofit Leadership	2		
PLS 4873 HR Mgt Govt Nonprofit	2		
PLS 4893 Budget Govt Nonprofit	2		

CIVIC/NONPROFIT ELECTIVES: 12 HRS

COURSE	HOURS	GRADE	SEMESTER
Elective 1	3		
Elective 2	3		
Elective 3	3		
Elective 4	3		

GIS: 3 HRS

COURSE	HOURS	GRADE	SEMESTER
GEO 3810 Intro GIS	3		

APPLIED LEARNING: 3 HRS

COURSE	HOURS	GRADE	SEMESTER
PLS 2503 Legal Research (only 1 HR counts)	1		
PLS 2513 Moot Court (1 hr)			
PLS 2611 Model IL Gov't (1 hr)			
PLS 3970 Study Abroad			
PLS 4275 Internship			
PLS 4503 Independent Study			
PLS 4444 Honors Independent Study			

CIVIC & NONPROFIT LEADERSHIP ELECTIVES

PLS 3603 State and Local Government

PLS 3733 Interest Groups and Lobbying

PLS 3723 Political Behavior

PLS 3653 American Indian Politics

PLS 3703 African American Politics

PLS 3903 Women & Politics

PLS 3713 Political Parties and Elections

PLS 3862 Spec Top US/Policy/PubAd

PLS 3743 Congress

PLS 3753 The American Presidency

PLS 3773 Religion & Politics in the US

PLS 4763 Environmental Politics & Policy

PLS 4783 Health Politics & Policy

PLS 4793 Civic and Nonprofit Leadership*

PLS 4893 Budgeting in Government and Nonprofit Organizations*

PLS 4873 HR Management in Public and Nonprofit Organizations*

*Cannot count for both a required course and an elective.

PLS 4555/Honors Research, PLS 4644/Honors Thesis, and the 5000-level seminar count for Field Requirements and Electives, with admission into Departmental Honors, and with the academic advisor and department chair's approval.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

120 Hours
40 SH of upper division courses (3000+)
2.00 Cumulative GPA
2.00 Major GPA
Senior Seminar (after 75 SH)

	Cultural Diversity					
	Application for Graduation (First semester junior year)					
	Electronic Writing Portfolio 1 2 3 3					
_	See www.eiu.edu/~assess/ for requirements					

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SUGGESTED 4-YEAR SEQUENCE

YEAR 1								
FALL		SPRING						
PLS 1153G OR PLS 1193G ENG 1001G, 3 cr. PHY SCI Gen Ed Humanities Gen Ed Elective	3 3 3 3	PLS 2253G OR PLS 2293G MAT 1160G, 1170G OR 2250G* ENG 1002G Fine Arts Gen Ed	3 3 3					
		Elective	3					
Total	15	Total	15					
YEAR 2								
FALL		SPRING						
PLS 2033 OR Civic/NP Elective 1	3	PLS 2033 OR Civic/NP Elective 1	3					
PLS 2703	3	Civic/NP Elective 2	3					
BIO Gen Ed w/ Lab CMN 1310G	4	Social/Behavioral Science Gen. Ed. (non PLS)	3					
Elective	3	Hum/Fine Arts Gen Ed Elective	3					
Total	16	Total	15					

YEAR 3								
FALL		SPRING						
GEO 3810 Civic/Nonprofit Elective 3 Elective Elective Elective	3 3 3 3	Civic/Nonprofit Elective 4 PLS Applied Learning Requirement** Elective Elective Elective	3 3 3 3					
Total	15	Total	15					
YEAR 4								
FALL		SPRING						
PLS 4600 Senior Seminar PLS 4793 OR PLS 4873 OR PLS 4893 Elective Elective Elective	3 3 3 3 3	PLS 4793 OR PLS 4873 Elective Elective Elective Elective	3 3 3 3					
Total	15	Total	15					

Students with dual/transfer/AP credits have more room to take electives or pursue a double major or minor. Students who need a foreign language graduation requirement have fewer elective options. We recommend completing this requirement in your 1st year.

NOTES, QUESTIONS, MINOR REQUIREMENTS:

^{*}Any Math general education course will count in the major, but these classes are recommended.

^{**}There are many paths to completing the applied learning requirement - talk to your academic advisor.