

MAJOR CHECKSHEET  
B.A. IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

SSN \_\_\_\_\_ Advisor \_\_\_\_\_

**GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:**

**REFER TO THE COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS (CoLA) CHECKSHEET.** The CoLA checksheet lists detailed course completion information on General Education, Writing Intensive course requirements, the CoLA Foreign Language/Research Methods courses, high school deficiencies, and other university and college graduation requirements. Students are expected to be familiar with, and are responsible for, all degree requirements listed in the Wright State Catalog, and should meet regularly with their department advisor.

Credit Hours/Grade Point Average Required for Graduation:

- Complete 192 hours with minimum 2.0 cumulative grade point average.
- Complete the University General Education (GE) requirements including Writing Intensive (WI) course(s) in GE.
- Complete 60-68 hours in PLS major courses at Wright State.
- Complete 24 hours in Political Science courses at Wright State.
- Minimum of 2 Writing Intensive (WI) courses in the major.
- Complete at least 60 credit hours in upper division courses (those numbered 300 and above).
- At least 30 credit hours must be at Wright State.
- Complete residency requirements. Forty-five (45) credit hours taken at Wright State.
- (15 of the last 45 hours for the degree must be taken in residence)
- No more than 8 hours of HPR courses are counted toward total credit hours.
- Courses numbered below 100 are **NOT** counted toward total credit hours.
- Complete at least 100 credit hours within the College of Liberal Arts (includes Economics and Psychology).
- Complete graduation check with Political Science Department chair prior to applying to graduate.**

**Summary of Political Science Major Degree Requirements**

<b>A. Core Course Requirements (PLS 212 and PLS 222)</b> .....	<b>8 hours</b>
<b>B. Area Requirements</b> .....	<b>20 hours</b>
1. American Government (8 hours)	
2. International & Comparative Politics (8 hours)	
3. Political Philosophy, Theory and Analysis (4 hours)	
<b>C. Advanced Political Science Electives – 300/400 level courses</b> .....	<b>32 hours</b>
<b>TOTAL HOURS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE MAJOR</b> .....	<b>60-68 hours</b>
	60 hours – Minimum Total for PLS Major
	68 hours – Maximum Total for PLS Major
<b>D. Related Major Requirements from Outside the Department</b> .....	<b>21-22 hours</b>

**A. PLS MAJOR CORE REQUIREMENTS:**

**(8 credit hours required)**

\_\_\_ PLS 212 American National Government (4 hrs)

\_\_\_ PLS 222 International Politics (4 hrs)

**B. AREA REQUIREMENTS**

**(20 credit hours required)**

Indicate quarter taken or transfer credit if applicable. Also indicate if course taken is Writing Intensive. Courses taken for requirements may NOT be double counted in CoLA Research Methods Option or another PLS major area.

**Area 1.**

**American Government  
(8 Credit hours required)**

- \_\_\_ PLS 315 Rel. & Politics in America
- \_\_\_ PLS 321 City Politics
- \_\_\_ PLS 322 State Government
- \_\_\_ PLS 323 Government of Ohio\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 324 Political Aspects Urban Dev.
- \_\_\_ PLS 325 African American Politics
- \_\_\_ PLS 331 Political Parties\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 335 American Presidency\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 337 Legislative Process\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 340 Law and Society
- \_\_\_ PLS 341 Fund. of Crim. Investiga.  
(formerly 399 may NOT be repeated)
- \_\_\_ PLS 342 Civil Liberties I
- \_\_\_ PLS 343 Civil Liberties II
- \_\_\_ PLS 344 Police Proced. & Operation  
(formerly 399 may NOT be repeated)
- \_\_\_ PLS 345 Public Administration (\*\*)
- \_\_\_ PLS 346 Public Personnel Adm. (\*\*)
- \_\_\_ PLS 347 Am. Public Pol. Analysis
- \_\_\_ PLS 375 Human Rights in USA\*  
(formerly 371 may NOT be repeated)
- \_\_\_ PLS 399 Selected Subjects
- \_\_\_ PLS 420 Politics and the Novel\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 425 Metro Studies Seminar
- \_\_\_ PLS 427 Urban Policy Analysis\*\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 428 Contemp. AF-AM Problems\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 429 Urban Comm. Theory\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 430 American Govt. Seminar\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 431 Cyber Crime\*  
(formerly 430 may NOT be repeated)
- \_\_\_ PLS 433 Public Opinion\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 434 Political Leadership\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 435 Political Corruption\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 436 Criminal Law\*\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 437 Criminal Procedure\*\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 438 Environmental Law
- \_\_\_ PLS 439 Bioethics and Law
- \_\_\_ PLS 440 Constitutional Law\*\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 441 Natural Resource Law
- \_\_\_ PLS 442 Criminal Justice System\*\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 443 Admin. Law Procedure\*\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 444 Topics in Criminal Justice\*\*  
(Topic may NOT be repeated)
- \_\_\_ PLS 445 Advanced Crim. Investiga.\*  
(formerly 430 may NOT be repeated)
- \_\_\_ PLS 446 Public Budgeting (\*\*)
- \_\_\_ PLS 447 Public Admin. Seminar\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 448 Gender Violence & Am Pol\*  
(formerly 473 may NOT be repeated)
- \_\_\_ PLS 482 Legislative Internship\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 484 Pre -Law Internship\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 494 Special Topics

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**Area 2.**

**International & Comparative Politics  
(8 credit hours required)**

- \_\_\_ PLS 351 Western European Pol.\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 352 Politics of Nationalism\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 354 Govts. of Eastern Europe\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 356 Pol & Society in France
- \_\_\_ PLS 358 Latin American Politics\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 360 Politics of Dev. Nations\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 364 Contemp. African Politics\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 367 Political System of China\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 368 Politics of Vietnam\*  
(formerly 371 may NOT be repeated)
- \_\_\_ PLS 370 International Theory\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 371 Current World Problems\*\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 372 International Organization\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 374 Int'l Human Rights\*  
(formerly 371 may NOT be repeated)
- \_\_\_ PLS 376 Peace Studies\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 381 National Security Policy\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 382 U.S.-Japan Foreign Rela.\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 384 Chinese Foreign Policy\*  
(No. used S '01 ONLY-changed to PLS 485)
- \_\_\_ PLS 399 Selected Topics\*\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 449 Int'l Politics of Gender  
Violence\* (formerly 473 may NOT be repeated)
- \_\_\_ PLS 450 Political Anthropology
- \_\_\_ PLS 453 Soviet Successor States\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 454 Politics of the Middle East\*  
(formerly 366 may NOT be repeated)
- \_\_\_ PLS 455 Israeli & Palestinian Pol.\*  
(formerly 460 may NOT be repeated)
- \_\_\_ PLS 456 Canadian Gov't. & Politics\*  
(formerly 460 may NOT be repeated)
- \_\_\_ PLS 457 Scandinavian Gov't. & Pol.\*  
(formerly 460 may NOT be repeated)
- \_\_\_ PLS 460 Comp Pol Systems Sem.\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 461 Social Move. & Protests\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 470 Seminar in Int'l. Relations\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 471 International Law
- \_\_\_ PLS 472 International Terrorism\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 473 American Foreign Policy\*  
(formerly 380 may NOT be repeated)
- \_\_\_ PLS 474 Pol of Women Terrorists\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 475 Women, Gender World Pol\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 485 Chinese Foreign Policy\*  
(formerly 384 may NOT be repeated)
- \_\_\_ PLS 486 Model U.N. Seminar\*  
(formerly listed as PLS 492)
- \_\_\_ PLS 487 History & Politics of Intel.  
Gathering\*

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**Area 3.**

**Pol. Philosophy, Theory & Analysis  
(4 credit hours required)**

- \_\_\_ PLS 210 Quantitative Methods  
(May not be double counted for credit)
- \_\_\_ PLS 211 Empirical Political Analysis
- \_\_\_ PLS 225 Approaches to Wms Studies
- \_\_\_ PLS 301 Mod. Political Ideologies\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 305 Comp. Marxist Theory\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 370 International Theory\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 402 Class & Med Pol Thought\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 403 Pol Thought:Hobbes/Mill\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 404 20<sup>th</sup> Century Pol Thought
- \_\_\_ PLS 405 Feminist Thought\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 406 Globalization Theories and  
Gender Politics\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 407 Seminar in Political Theory\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 408 Radical Black Thought\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 428 Contemp AF-AM Problems\*
- \_\_\_ PLS 493 Contemporary Problems\*

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\* WRITING INTENSIVE COURSES

(\*\*) SOME SECTIONS ARE WRITING INTENSIVE



