**POLITICAL SCIENCE: COMPARATIVE POLITICS, BA**

Political Science explores systematic approaches to understanding politics. Students may choose to take a general approach to the subject or pursue a concentration in the sub-fields of American politics, comparative politics, international relations or political theory. In addition students may select a world region for an area studies concentration. The Political Science Department's course offerings span the discipline of political science, from American political institutions, to the politics of world regions, the emergence of a new international order, and recent and ancient political ideas. The Department’s curriculum is divided into the four standard fields of American politics, comparative politics, international relations, and political theories. There are also other opportunities for study in political processes of elections and communications and public policy.

The minimum total course units (https://www.college.upenn.edu/credits-needed-major/) for graduation in this major is 32. Double majors may entail more course units.

A minimum of 9 course units in Political Science are required, of which 6 must be taken in the Political Science Department at the University of Pennsylvania (includes Washington, DC Semester). See Major Program Booklet for Transfer and AP credit restrictions.

For more information: http://www.sas.upenn.edu/polisci/content/undergraduate-program/ (http://www.sas.upenn.edu/polisci/content/undergraduate-program/)

For information about the General Education requirements, please visit the College of Arts & Sciences Curriculum (https://www.college.upenn.edu/curriculum/) page.

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### Comparative Politics Concentration

Select 5 course units of Concentration courses in consultation with the faculty advisor with three course units in PSCI

**Total Course Units**

5

### Honors

**Required:** A minimum overall GPA of 3.3 and a 3.6 GPA in all PSCI courses taken in the major.

**Code** | **Title** | **Course Units**
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PSCI 4997 | Political Science Honors | 1
PSCI 4999 | Honors Thesis Independent Study | 1

The degree and major requirements displayed are intended as a guide for students entering in the Fall of 2023 and later. Students should consult with their academic program regarding final certifications and requirements for graduation.

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1 You may count no more than one course toward both a Major and a Sector requirement. For Exceptions, check the Policy Statement (http://www.college.upenn.edu/sectors-policy/).

2 A maximum of three non-PSCI allowed.