

Political Science / Secondary Education Certification

Bachelor of Arts (BA.POL(SEC))

Core Requirements			Credits	Notes/Instructions
College Sem.	College Seminar	CSEM 100 Quest for Meaning	3	†A student may be required to take ENGL 105 and/or MATH 100 based on placement exams administered prior to their first semester at King's College. ENGL 105 and MATH 100 are 3-credit courses and will count as free electives. †† The Intercultural Competence requirement can be satisfied by taking a 100-level language class for 3 credits or participating in an approved Study Abroad experience. (See college catalog for more information) SBM = Satisfied By Major requirement(s) and credit(s) listed below.
Communication & Creative Expression	Writing	ENGL 110 [†] Academic Writing	3	
	Oral Communication	COMM 101 Oral Communication	3	
	Literature	ENGL 143 ² , 144 ² , 145 ² , or 146 ²	3	
	The Arts	ARTS 100-149	3	
Citizenship	History	HIST 100-149	3	
	Intercultural	FREN/GERM/SPAN 100-level or Study Abroad ^{††}	3	
	Global Connections	ECON 150-199; GEOG 150-199; HIST 150-199; PS 150-199; SOC 150-199	3	
Quantitative & Scientific Reasoning	SBM Quantitative Reasoning	MATH 120 ^{†,5} (MATH 101 and MATH 102⁵)	-	
	Scientific Endeavor	NSCI 100	3	
	Science in Context	NSCI 171-199	3	
	SBM Human Beh. & Soc. Inst	ECON 111², 112 ; GEOG 101, 102; PS 101² , PSYC 101, SOC 101	-	
Wisdom, Faith, & the Good Life	Introduction to Phil.	PHIL 101	3	
	Phil. Investigations	PHIL 170-199; MSB 287	3	
	Theology & Wisdom	THEO 150-159	3	
	Theology & the Good Life	THEO 160-169	3	
Total Core Credits			42	

Major Requirements	Credits	Other Requirements	Credits	Secondary Education Requirements	Credits
PS 101 ²	3	HCE 101 Holy Cross Exp.	1	MATH 101 ⁵	3
ECON 111 ²	3			MATH 102 ⁵	3
PS 221	3			EDUC 202	3
PS 231	3			EDUC 231	1
PS 271	3			EDUC 232	1
PS 493	3			EDUC 235 ³	3
PS 499	3			EDUC 240 ³	3
PS Category I*	3			EDUC 270 ³	3
PS Category II*	3			EDUC 299⁴	0
PS Category III*	3			EDUC 303 ^{3,4}	3
PS Category IV*	3			EDUC 305 ^{3,4}	3
PS Elective**	3			EDUC 350 ^{3,4}	3
PS Elective**	3			EDUC 366 ^{3,4}	3
PS Elective**	3			EDUC 440 ⁴	3
				EDUC 467 ^{3,4}	10
				EDUC 468 ^{3,4}	2
Total Major Credits		Total Other Credits		Total Secondary Education Credits	
42		1		47	

Total Credits Required for Graduation = 132

*Students majoring in Political Science are required to select one course from each of the PS Categories below:

PS Category I <i>Political Thought</i> Choose 1 of the following:	PS Category II <i>Comparative Politics</i> Choose 1 of the following:	PS Category III <i>Public Policy</i> Choose 1 of the following:	PS Category IV <i>Constitutional Law</i> Choose 1 of the following:
PS 241 Political Theory I PS 242 Political Theory II	PS 255 Comp Political Systems PS 258 Comp Politics in Latin America	PS 332 Politics of Policymaking PS 432 Environmental Politics & Policy	PS 361 Constitutional Law I PS 362 Constitutional Law II

**In addition, a Political Science major must also complete nine (9) credits of Political Science Electives from the list below:

Political Science Electives							
PS 232	PS 258	PS 335	PS 362	PS 422	PS 441	PS 463	PS 496
PS 241	PS 294	PS 341	PS 372	PS 431	PS 443	PS 465	
PS 242	PS 332	PS 360	PS 373	PS 432	PS 455	PS 491	
PS 255	PS 333	PS 361	PS 374	PS 435	PS 461	PS 492	

NOTE: All Secondary Teacher Certification candidates must complete six credits of college level mathematics and six credits of college level English:

Math Courses	MATH 101 ⁵	MATH 102 ⁵
English Courses	ENGL 110 ²	ENGL 143 ² , 144 ² , 145 ² , or 146 ²

The Pennsylvania Department of Education requires secondary teachers to have a degree in the content area for certification. Students seeking secondary certification must meet with his/her specific content area department for content area courses required for the degree. The Education Division is not responsible for content area or Core courses for secondary certification candidates.

See reverse side for a suggested sequence

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Suggested Sequence

A suggested course sequence of degree requirements is listed below. Refer to the college catalog for course titles, descriptions, and prerequisites. Always consult your Academic Advisor when planning and scheduling your classes.

Fall		Credits	Spring		Credits
PS 101 ² American Government		3	ECON 111 ² Introduction to Macroeconomics		3
MATH 101 ⁵ Theory of Arithmetic		3	MATH 102 ⁵ Algebra & Geometry		3
CSEM 100 ⁴ OR ENGL 110 ⁴		3	CSEM 100 ⁴ OR ENGL 110 ⁴		3
Core Course ¹		3	Core Course ¹		3
Core Course ¹		3	Core Course ¹		3
HCE 101 Holy Cross Experience		1			
		16			15
Summer ***		Credits			
Core Course ¹		3			
		3			
Fall		Credits	Spring		Credits
PS 221 Probability & Statistics in the Social Sciences		3	PS Category I - Political Theory I or II		3
PS 231 American Intergovernmental Relations		3	PS Category II - Comp. Pol Syst or Comp. Politics		3
PS 271 International Relations		3	Core Course ¹		3
EDUC 202 Educ. Philos., Ethics, Issues & Trends		3	Core Course ¹		3
EDUC 235 ³ Sec. Development, Cognition, & Learn		3	EDUC 240 ³ Sec. Multicult., Linguistic & Inst. Meth.		3
EDUC 231 Technology Module I		1	EDUC 270 ³ Introduction to Special Education		3
		16	EDUC 299⁴		0
					18
Admission to Candidacy (Complete and return "Application for Teacher Education Program Candidacy" to Education Administrative Assistant no sooner than the completion of 48 credits and no later than 65 credits)					
Summer ***		Credits			
Core Course ¹		3			
		3			
Fall		Credits	Spring		Credits
Core Course ¹		3	PS Category III – Policymaking or Environmental		3
PS Category IV - Constitutional Law I or II		3	PS 493 Senior Seminar		3
Core Course ¹		3	PS Elective**		3
EDUC 303 ^{3,4} Secondary Social Studies Methods		3	EDUC 350 ^{3,4} Secondary Classroom Management		3
EDUC 305 ^{3,4} Assessment I		3	EDUC 366 ^{3,4} Methods for Teach. Diverse Learners		3
EDUC 232 Technology Module II		1			
		16			15
Summer		Credits			
Fall		Credits	Spring		Credits
PS 499 Political Science Internship		3	EDUC 467 ^{3,4} Observation & Student Teach. (Sec.)		10
PS Elective**		3	EDUC 468 ^{3,4} Student Teaching Seminar		2
PS Elective**		3	EDUC 440 ⁴ Inclusive Education		3
Core Course ¹		3			
Core Course ¹		3	Take Praxis II		
		15			15
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***Summer Session is suggested in order to finish the degree in four years (including student teaching).

¹Choose one course from each of the Core Requirements listed on the reverse side.

²Course may satisfy both a Major and a Core requirement. PS 101 or ECON 111 may will satisfy the Human Behavior & Social Institution Core requirement.

³ Updated Child Abuse & Criminal Record & FBI Clearances **REQUIRED** for EDUC 235, EDUC 240, EDUC 270, EDUC 303, EDUC 305, EDUC 350, EDUC 366, EDUC 467, and EDUC 468.

⁴ EDUC 299 Basic Skills is a pre-requisite for all 300 and 400 level education courses and ENGL 399. In order to register for this course, you must take and pass all basic skills tests. Formal application to the Education Department between 48 and 60 credits – failure to complete EDUC 299 by 60 credits will result in the dropping of teacher certification in compliance with PDE regulations.

⁵ Students should strongly consider taking MATH 101 and MATH 102 in place of MATH 120. The content of the MATH 101/MATH 102 sequence is consistent with the material found on the Basic Skills examination. Together, MATH 101 and MATH 102 satisfy the three math credits required for King's College Core Curriculum as well as the six-credit math requirement for Education.

^{PR} Course has a prerequisite – check college catalog.