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Advisor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## POLITICAL STUDIES HONOURS PROGRAM CHECKLIST (134 s.h.) 2023-24 Academic Calendar

THIS CHECKLIST IS INTENDED TO ASSIST STUDENTS AND ADVISORS IN ENSURING THAT ALL MINOR REQUIREMENTS ARE MET. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE **STUDENT** TO ENSURE THAT ALL REQUIREMENTS FOR THE GRANTING OF A DEGREE HAVE BEEN MET.

**ADMISSION TO THE HONOURS PROGRAM IN POLITICAL STUDIES** IS BY APPLICATION TO THE CHAIR OF HISTORY, AND POLITICAL AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES. TO BE ADMITTED, STUDENTS MUST HAVE A CUMULATIVE GPA OF 3.0. A GPA OF 3.0 MUST BE MAINTAINED IN ALL POLITICAL STUDIES COURSES.

### 1. Inquiry: Ways of Knowing - Core Requirements (37 s.h.\*)

\*University Core Requirements are modified for students who transfer in with 57 s.h. or more of initial credit. See Academic Calendar for details ([twu.ca/calendar](http://twu.ca/calendar))

	✓ COURSE	S.H.	NOTES		✓ COURSE	S.H.	NOTES
	<b>FOUNDATIONAL INQUIRIES (28 sem. hrs.)</b>			<input type="checkbox"/>	Academic Writing Requirement <sup>2</sup>		
	<i>Academic Research &amp; Writing</i>				<b>WAYS OF KNOWING (18 sem. hrs.)</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/>	ENGL _____	3	Choose 2 courses (6 sem. hrs.) from ENGL 101, 102, 103, 104.	In addition to the courses on the left, students must take an additional 18 sem. hrs., selecting 3 sem. hrs. from each of the following six categories. <i>*At least 9 sem. hrs. must be from outside of the student's major.</i>			
<input type="checkbox"/>	ENGL _____	3					
	<i>Foundations</i>				<i>Aesthetic &amp; Performance Inquiry</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/>	FNDN 101	1	Compulsory during the first semester of the first year. <sup>1</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	3	Choose 3 sem. hrs. from the Aesthetic & Performance Inquiry category below.
<input type="checkbox"/>	FNDN 102	3	Normally taken before year 3.	<i>Cultural &amp; Linguistic Inquiry</i>			
<input type="checkbox"/>	FNDN 201	3		**	**	**	Satisfied by Program Requirements.
	<i>Logical &amp; Ethical Reasoning</i>				<i>Experiential &amp; Embodied Inquiry</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/>	PHIL _____	3	Choose one of PHIL 100,103, 105, 106, 109, or 210.	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	3	Choose 3 sem. hrs. from the Experiential & Embodied Inquiry category below.
	<i>Religious &amp; Spiritual Thought</i>				<i>Historical &amp; Archival Inquiry</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/>	RELS 110	3	Compulsory during the first semester of the first year.	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	3	Choose 3 sem. hrs. from the Historical & Archival Inquiry category below.
<input type="checkbox"/>	RELS 111	3		<i>Quantitative &amp; Computational Inquiry</i>			
<input type="checkbox"/>	RELS 112	3		**	**	**	Satisfied by Program Requirements.
	<i>Scientific Method &amp; Lab Research</i>				<i>Social &amp; Global Inquiry</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	3	Choose one of BIOL 103, 104, 113/198, 114/199, 216, 241, 262; CHEM 101, 103/198, 111/198; GENV 109, 121, 262; GEOL 109; PHYS 111.	**	**	**	Satisfied by Program Requirements.

<sup>1</sup> FNDN 101 is compulsory during the first semester of the first year for all new students unless they have a minimum 24 sem. hrs. initial transfer credit.

<sup>2</sup> **Academic Writing Requirement:** students must take WRTG 100 (native English speakers) or WRTG 101 (non-native English speakers) in their first semester at TWU, unless exempt at the time of admission to the University. WRTG course credit may be included toward a degree program as elective credit.

#### Aesthetic & Performance Inquiry

Choose 3 semester hours from: ART 181, 182, 250; ENGL 207, 208, 310; HKIN 342; MCOM 211, 221, 231, 369; MUSI 110; PHIL 370; SAMC 111, 370; THTR 130, 161; any Music Ensembles; any Music Lessons.

#### Experiential & Embodied Inquiry

Choose 3 semester hours from: ART 305, 306, 307; BIOL 316, 318, 362, 364, 409, 410; BIOT 200, 300, 400, 409, 410; BUSI 395, 396, 49x; CHEM 409, 410; CMPT 409, 410; EDUC 302, 303, 402, 403; GENV 131, 316, 318, 372, 373, 374, 375, 409, 410; HIST 310, 315, 316; HKIN 201, 202, 216, 235, 266, 336, 355, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460; LING 398, 399; MATH 409, 410; MCOM 281, 391, 392, 393; NURS 213; POLS 395, 396; PSYC 322, 497, 498; SOCI 320, 411, 420; THTR 101, 102, 151, 152, 153, 154, 175, 210, 301, 302, 351, 352, 353, 354; any 1 sem. hr. HKIN Activity course; any Travel Study.

#### Historical & Archival Inquiry

Choose 3 semester hours from: ART 237, 238; ECON 306; GENV 312; HIST 107, 108, 135, 306, 339, 391; MUSI 131, 132; NURS 230; PHIL 203, 314, 421; POLS 391; PSYC 408; RELS 320, 351, 352, 475; SAMC 112; SOCI 391; THTR 331, 332.

## 2. Required Political Studies Courses (54 s.h.\*)

\*Students must complete 54 s.h. of Political Studies courses, of which at least 36 s.h. must be at the 300 or 400 level. Of these 36 s.h., 27 s.h. must be taken at TWU. The upper-level Political Studies courses must include the Honours Thesis: POLS 495, 496.

✓	COURSE	S.H.	NOTES	✓	COURSE	S.H.	NOTES
<input type="checkbox"/>	POLS 101	3		<input type="checkbox"/>	POLS _____	3	Choose from: POLS 310, 415, 418, 434
<input type="checkbox"/>	POLS 211	3		<input type="checkbox"/>	POLS _____	3	Choose from: POLS 237, 330, 332, 334, 335, 383, 391, 392, 434
<input type="checkbox"/>	POLS 234	3		<input type="checkbox"/>	POLS _____	3	Choose from: POLS 308, 352, 377, 378, 421, 422, 425
<input type="checkbox"/>	SOCS 305	3		<input type="checkbox"/>	POLS _____	3	POLS 314, 355, 406, 430, 431, 436, 440
<input type="checkbox"/>	POLS 312	3		<input type="checkbox"/>	POLS _____	3	Select any five courses (only 4 if 6 s.h. of practicum was taken) for which credit has not yet been received:
<input type="checkbox"/>	POLS 320	3		<input type="checkbox"/>	POLS _____	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	POLS 495	3		<input type="checkbox"/>	POLS _____	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	POLS 496	3		<input type="checkbox"/>	POLS _____	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	POLS _____	_____	All Political Studies honours students are required to complete at least 3 s.h. of POLS practicum. A maximum of 6 s.h. may be taken for the major; a total of 9 s.h. may be taken as part of the overall degree. Choose from POLS 361-369, 395, 396.	<input type="checkbox"/>	POLS _____	3	

## 3. Ancillary Requirements (6 s.h.)

✓	COURSE	S.H.	NOTES
<input type="checkbox"/>			Choose either two of ECON 201, 202, 230, or 330; OR SOCS 383 and 385
<input type="checkbox"/>			

## 4. Modern Language Requirements (6 s.h.)

✓	COURSE	S.H.	NOTES
<input type="checkbox"/>		3	Students must complete 6 s.h. of an approved language other than English. Students specializing in Canadian Politics should take French for their language requirement.
<input type="checkbox"/>		3	

## 5. Elective Courses (31 s.h.)

STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED, BUT NOT REQUIRED, TO TAKE ELECTIVE CLASSES THAT CONTRIBUTE TO A CONCENTRATION OR A MINOR. IF YOU CHOOSE TO TAKE A CONCENTRATION OR A MINOR, PLEASE ATTACH THE APPROPRIATE CONCENTRATION/MINOR CHECKLIST AVAILABLE AT [twu.ca/advising](http://twu.ca/advising)

✓	SUBJECT	COURSE#	S.H.	NOTES	✓	SUBJECT	COURSE#	S.H.	NOTES
<input type="checkbox"/>					<input type="checkbox"/>				
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➤ **NOTE:** A total of 134 s.h. of credit, including a minimum of 54 s.h. (36 s.h. in the major) of upper-level credit is required for graduation. A minimum overall (cumulative) GPA of 2.70 is required for graduation.

➤ **NOTE:** In order to be eligible for graduation you must complete an Application for Graduation via the Student Portal and submit a completed checklist to the Office of the Registrar by April 30 of the year prior to your completion (there is no fee to apply for graduation). Once your complete application has been received, a degree audit will be completed for you. This audit will confirm which courses are still outstanding in order for you to complete your degree.

		YEAR 1
✓	s.h.	Fall
	1	FNDN 101
	3	RELS 110
	3	ENGL 103
	3	PHIL <sup>1</sup>
	3	POLS 101
	3	Elective
Semester Total:		16

		YEAR 2
✓	s.h.	Fall
	3	FNDN 201
	3	Language <sup>2</sup>
	3	Ancillary <sup>3</sup>
	3	POLS 312
	3	POLS <sup>4</sup>
Semester Total:		16

		YEAR 3
✓	s.h.	Fall
	3	Core <sup>5</sup>
	3	SOCS 305
	3	POLS <sup>4</sup>
	3	POLS <sup>4</sup>
	3	Elective
Semester Total:		15

		YEAR 4
✓	s.h.	Fall
	3	Core <sup>5</sup>
	3	POLS <sup>4</sup>
	3	POLS <sup>4</sup>
	3	POLS 495
	3	Elective
Semester Total:		15

		YEAR 1
✓	s.h.	Spring
	3	FNDN 102
	3	RELS 111
	3	ENGL 104
	3	POLS 211
	3	Elective
	3	*Summer: POLS 234
Semester Total:		15

		YEAR 2
✓	s.h.	Spring
	3	RELS 112
	3	GENV 121
	3	POLS 320
	3	Ancillary <sup>3</sup>
	3	Elective
	6	*Summer: Electives
Semester Total:		15

		YEAR 3
✓	s.h.	Spring
	3	POLS <sup>5</sup>
	3	POLS <sup>4</sup>
	3	POLS <sup>4</sup>
	3	Elective
	3	Elective
	1	Elective*
Semester Total:		16

		YEAR 4
✓	s.h.	Spring
	3	POLS <sup>4</sup>
	3	POLS <sup>4</sup>
	3	POLS 496
	3	Elective
	3	Elective
Semester Total:		15

## COURSE LEGEND

### Core Courses

1. Choose from PHIL 100, 103, 105, 106, 109, 210

5. Core electives should be chosen as follows:  
 ONE Aesthetic and Performance Inquiry  
 ONE Experiential & Embodied Inquiry  
 ONE Historical & Archival Inquiry

### Major Courses

2. Students must complete 6 s.h. of an approved language other than English. Students specializing in Canadian Politics should take French for their language requirement.

4. Choose from: POLS 237, 308, 310, 314, 330, 332, 334, 335, 352, 355, 378, 383, 391, 392, 406, 415, 418, 421, 422, 425, 430, 431, 434, 436, 440 (POLS 391 satisfies the Historical & Archival Inquiry requirement).

5. Choose from: POLS 361-369, 395-396. All POLS majors are required to complete at least 3 s.h. of POLS practicum.

### Major + Core Courses

### Ancillary Courses

3. Choose from: ECON 201, 202, 230, 330; or SOCS 383, 385

### Ancillary + Core Courses

### Electives

\*The following Summer Sessions courses are required in order to complete the degree in four years:

Year 1: POLS 234

Year 2: 6 s.h. of electives

Year 3: 3 s.h. of electives

*This is an example of what a 4-year degree plan might look like. It is not the official program checklist. In the case of any discrepancy between this program plan and the checklist, the checklist shall prevail. It is the student's responsibility to ensure they complete all program requirements as laid out in the approved checklist.*