

Political Science Career Tracks:

Foreign Service

Many Political Science students express an interest in foreign service and international affairs. Majors often go on to work as diplomats, foreign service officers, and other types of government officials.

POLS majors are required to take three introductory POLS courses, eight upper division POLS courses, and four upper division related courses to complete the POLS degree. The sample curriculum below is intended to provide an example of a course of study one might take if interested in pursuing foreign service. **These are suggested courses only. They are meant only as a tool to guide the student towards a career in Foreign Service.**

Sample Curriculum

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| Introductory Courses | POLS 1002: Introduction to Political Theory POLS 1207: Introduction to Nonwestern Politics POLS 1402: Introduction to International Relations |
| Major Courses | POLS 3203: Environmental Policy and Institutions POLS 3402: Contemporary International Politics POLS 3847: The Policy-making Process POLS 3633: Race and Policy POLS 3410: International Political Economy POLS 3406: Globalization and Political Change POLS 3418: International Organizations and Law POLS 3442: The Politics of American Foreign Policy |
| Related Courses | SOCI 3421: Class, Power, and Inequality SOCI 3701: The Developing World HRTS 3202: International Human Rights COMM 4250: Communication in Conflict Management |
| Additional Curricular and Extracurricular Activities | Cultural Centers Model UN* Internships with Government Agencies, US Department of State* International Relations Association Study Abroad* <p style="text-align: right;">*may earn academic credit for these experiences</p> |

