

SAMPLE Four Year Plan | Bachelor of Science in Education - Political Science

The curriculum in the College of Education and Professional Studies is structured so that students move through classes in a prescribed order. Prerequisites are important and are strongly enforced. The four year plan illustrates the type of curriculum a new freshman could take to complete a degree in four years; it is not an official document. Refer to Academic Advising Report for full requirements.

Sample Academic Advising Reports are available online at www.uww.edu/registrar/sample-aars.

First Year

Fall

ENGLISH 100 or 101- Intensive College Writing and Reading or College Writing and Reading	4-3	
MATH 139 - Quantitative Reasoning	3	
POLISCI 101 - Introduction to Political Science	1	
POLISCI 141 - American Government and Politics	3	
CORE 110 -World of the Arts	3	
INTRAUNV 104- New Student Seminar	1	

Total 14-15

Spring

ENGLISH 102 - College Writing, Reading, and Research	3	
PEGENRL 192 - Personal Health and Fitness for Life	1	
CORE 130- Individual and Society	3	
Any Lab Science (GL designation)	4-5	
Political Science Elective (GS)	3	
Minor Course	3	

Total 17-18

First Year Advising Notes: By the end of the first year your GPA should be a minimum of 2.75 in order to meet the basic requirements for admission to the College of Education and Professional Studies.

Goals: Talk to your academic advisor about your interests and goals and begin to understand career options for your major. Explore student groups and organizations and join one that feels right for you. These groups offer a great way to learn more about the major and begin networking. Explore on-campus resources such as undergraduate research opportunities, the Mary Poppe Chrisman Success Center, and the Center for Global Education.

After your first year: Become comfortable in understanding and reading your Academic Advising Report.

Second Year

Fall

BIOLOGY 214 or GEO 252 - Conservation Science	3	
American Government Course (see options below)	3	
Public Policy Course (see options below)	3	
CORE 120 or 140 - Historical or Global Perspectives	3	
Minor Course	3	
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Total 18

Spring

EDFOUND 210 - Introduction to Education and Teaching	3	
EDFOUND 212 - Educational Psychology	3	
EDFOUND 243 - Foundations of Education in a Pluralistic Society	3	
COMM 110 - Introduction to Human Communication	3	
POLISCI 301 - Political Science Research Methods	3	
Minor Course	3	

Total 17-18

Second Year Advising Notes: To stay on track, you should complete your foundation block courses by the end of your second year. You should plan to apply for admission to Professional Studies at the beginning of your fourth semester, once you have completed 40 credits. Make sure you meet the basic requirements for admission by visiting our website: <http://www.uww.edu/coeps/advising-admissions/admission-to-professional-education/requirements>

Goals: Be admitted to Professional Studies and declare an approved minor. Get to know the resources available to you in Winther Hall such as the WITRC Lab, the Office of Field Experiences, and the Academic Advising Office.

After your second year: Understand your program plan and graduation requirements.



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Third Year

Fall

SPECED 205 - Introduction to Special Education	3	
POLISCI 302 - Writing in Political Science	3	
Comparative Government Course (see options below)	3	
International Relations Course (see options below)	3	
Minor Course	3	
Minor Course	3	

Total 18

Spring

ECON 213 - Economics Principles for Teachers	3	
CORE 390 - World of Ideas	3	
Political Theory Course (see options below)	3	
Political Science Elective (300 or 400 level)	3	
Political Science Elective	3	
Minor Course	3	

Total 18

Third Year Advising Notes: A faculty member will be assigned as your advisor once you are admitted to Professional Studies. They should be used to help you determine your program plan.

Goals: Attend the Hawk Career Fair as well as networking events and employer information meetings. Pursue a leadership position within a student organization or volunteer group. Get to know your professors, especially in your major. Start connecting what you learn in the classroom to how it will apply to your career.

After your third year: Work with your faculty advisor to make sure you're on track to graduate. Continue to seek major-related employment.

Fourth Year

Fall

EDFOUND 425 - Measurement and Evaluation in the Secondary School*	3	
SECNDED 430 - The Teaching of Social Studies in the Secondary School*	3	
SECNED 466 - Literacy Strategies for Content-Area Teachers*	3	
CIFLD 402 - Directed Teaching Alternative Placement Middle School or 404 - Secondary School*	2	
SECNDED 460 - Secondary Field Study Seminar*	3	
Minor Course	3	

Total 17

Spring

CIFLD 412 - Directed Teaching Middle School or 414 - Secondary School*	12	
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Total 12

Courses denoted with a * require Admission to Professional Studies. You will not be allowed to register for these courses without applying, and being admitted to the College of Education and Professional Studies.

Fourth Year Advising Notes: Apply for graduation online through the Registrar's Office one full semester before you anticipate graduating. Complete all required testing. Work with your program coordinator and the Office of Field Experiences in order to confirm your student teaching placement.

Goals: Work with the Career Service Office to perfect your resume and cover letter. Attend networking events, career fairs, and employer information meetings. Read professional journals and consider a student membership in a professional organization.

American Government	Public Policy	Comparative Government	International Relations	Political Theory
POLISCI 314, 315, 317, 318, 319, 321, 344, 357, 413, 414, 415, 416, 419, 422, 446	POLISCI 316, 330, 331, 342, 343, 421, 430, 440, 489	POLISCI 345, 352, 456, 460, 461, 471, 472, 480	POLISCI 340, 348, 350, 351, 457, 463, 464	POLISCI 365, 410, 411, 412, 420

Students must begin their Math and English sequences with the appropriate course. The English course a student starts with will be determined by their ACT English or SAT Verbal score. The Math course a student starts with will be determined by their UW System math placement score.

Admission to Professional Studies is required for students to take upper division courses in their educator preparation program. Eligibility requirements can be found at: <http://www.uww.edu/coeps/advising-admissions/admission-to-professional-education>

Political Science BSE program completers will be endorsed for licensure to teach Political Science content courses at the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction Early Adolescence through Adolescence developmental level (approximately ages 10-21 or grades 6-12). If the student completes a licensable minor, they will be endorsed for licensure in their minor content area as well. Typically, a licensable minor will match the developmental level(s) of the major area.

Students will be required to pass additional assessments prior to student teaching and licensure.